



St Joachim's Primary School Newsletter

15th April 2016



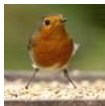
Dates for your Diary



From the Headteacher



- 20th Apr 2:30 & 5:30 Maths Workshops for Parents
- 20th Apr Y5 debating competition @ St. Michael's - 10-15 children Y5
- 22nd Apr Pupils individual Targets sent home
- 26th Apr 10:15 am Y5 Assembly
- 27th Apr 16 Y5 Pupils at St Stephen's Church
- Bank Holiday Monday 2nd May- School Closed**
- 5th May Science Day at Bosco-Rec to Y6
- 9th May KS2 SATs Week
- 17th May 10:15am Y1 Assembly
- 18th May Y6 Parent Meeting re Lake District
- Half Term Week - 30th May to 3rd June - School Closed**
- Inset Day - 6th June School Closed**
- 7th Jun Y6 at Theatre - Mousetrap
- 8th Jun 2.30 and 5.30pm Art Workshops for Parents



Dear Parents and Friends,

Happy Easter.
It is great to be back for the summer Term, although it doesn't yet feel very summery.
On the last day of term we had a wonderful performance of the passion and death of our Lord by our drama group led by Miss Pape and Mr Helliwell. Once again it was very spiritual and reverent and all the children watched it with great respect. It really helped the children to have some sense of compassion and understanding of the crucifixion.
This term we will be focussing on Maths in the first half term and Art in the second. We will be running parent workshops for maths and Art. The maths parent workshops will be running next week.

The first half term also is a time when all our children from Year 1 to 6 will be taking various tests. Year 1 will be doing the phonics test in middle of June, while Year 2-6 will be tested in reading, writing, spelling, grammar, punctuation, maths and science. The tests this year will be on the new curriculum for the first time. The results of these will be included into the children's annual school reports.

We also have a lot of special events that take place during the summer day including Artsweeks, French Day, Sports Day, KS2 visit to Paris (22nd June), Festival of Voices and of course our annual Drama plays and awards evenings. It all becomes quite hectic towards the end of term.

Have a great summer term. **James Allen**



- Breakfast Club starts at 7:45am- £2 per session**
- Morning Clubs start at 8:15am**
- School Starts: From 8:45am~Children can go directly to their class**



Child Road Safety - IMPORTANT



We would like to remind some parents that the yellow zig-zag lines around the school are no parking. They were put on the roads for the benefit of the children only to keep them safe.

Please do not park on them.

Even more importantly there are ramps near the school entrances as crossing points for children.

Please do not stop on them at all.

It only takes one accident! Most people are considerate and cooperate well. We don't really want to request for parking attendants outside our school to fine people.

Please work together to keep all our children safe.

Sainsbury's School Vouchers

School Vouchers This is a reminder to all parents that the school is currently collecting Sainsbury vouchers and they can be sent to school with the children.

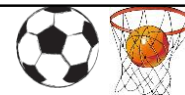


Sainsbury's
Active Kids
Eat well • Move well • Live well

Music Lessons - ECAM

All music lessons will start once again on Tuesday next week. Please ensure your child remembers to bring in their instrument. Please also ensure that they practice regularly - 15-20 minutes an evening expected.

Sports News



- 20th Apr Years 5/6 at A2 UEL-Boys' football
- 27th Apr Years 3/4 at Langdon ~ Tennis Mixed
- 5th May Years 5/6 at Langdon - Table Tennis Mixed
- 11th May Years 1/2 at St Helen's - Quad Kids Mixed
- 17th May Borough Events at NLC - Newham Mini Games

Spring Term - Overall Attendance

Attendance since 4th January to 24th Marchy 2016

Class	Attendance %	Punctuality %	No of Lates
YR	96.4	99.21	25
Y1	97.1	98.84	37
Y2	98.1	99.65	11
Y3	98.8	99.84	5
Y4	98.7	99.47	17
Y5	98.3	99.50	16
Y6	98.5	99.94	2



Winners of spring term attendance was Y3 and winners of best punctuality was Y6. This is a fantastic achievement especially considering there were so many bugs during the Spring term. **Well done!!** This term we look forward to seeing punctuality improve in Y1 and Reception.



International Day at St Joachim's

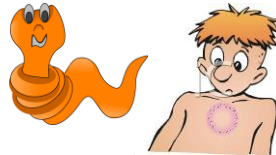


Once again International Day was a great success! The children love celebrating their heritage which they are so proud of. Each class enjoyed learning about different countries around the world. The day was rounded off, as usual, by the most popular event - food sharing from around the world; where everyone got to try delicious food from so many different cultures. Thank you so much to all the parents who supported this day- it is very much appreciated.



RE: RINGWORM

Ringworm, a fungal infection that can affect the body scalp and hair has been identified in the school.



Important facts about ringworms.

Contrary to what many people believe, ringworm is a fungus. It is commonly called ringworm, instead of tinea corporis, because the rash on the skin is usually in the shape of a ring.

Ringworm is recognised by itchy, red, raised, scaly patches that may blister and ooze. The patches often have sharply-defined edges. They are often redder around the outside with normal skin tone in the centre. This may create the appearance of a ring. The skin may also appear unusually dark or light.

It is highly contagious until treatment is started so children must not come to school until they start treatment.

Most chemists sell anti-fungal creams, which treat ringworm. If applied two times daily, the ringworm should be gone in two to three weeks. You will no longer be contagious after 48 hours of treatment.

To prevent the spread of ringworm in the school, it is advisable to check your child regularly and the condition should be treated at once by consulting your doctor and following his/her recommendations.

Students may only return to school after treatment has been initiated. All lesions should be covered when the student returns to school.

Science Day ~ St. John Bosco Centre

On Thursday 5th May we will be holding our Science Day at St. John Bosco Camp once again for Years Reception to Year 5. We have booked 3 double decker buses and will be leaving school at 8.30am and will return at 4.30pm. We will of course welcome lots of parent helpers. We are having this day because the school is a polling station that day.

Year 6 and Nursery will be in school as normal that day.



Nursery Admissions - September 2016.

If your child is 3 years old or will be 3 years before 31st December 2016 you need to complete an application form.

Please collect a form from the school office. Application forms must be submitted by 31st May 2016.

Reminders:



Mass - The Thursday morning Mass for classes will now be held every Wednesday as from 20th April.

Wed 20th April - Parents are invited to 'Maths Parent Workshops' at 2.30 and 5.30pm. A letter will be sent with pupils. If you wish to attend please complete the slip and return to the school.

Thursday 5th May - The school will be used as a Polling Station - Classes Reception up to Y6 will be having a Science Day trip to Bosco. Nursery will function as normal.

Week beginning 9th May is KS2 SATs week. Half Term Week starts on 30th May to 3rd June.