

# ST JOSEPH'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL



NEWSLETTER: OCTOBER 25<sup>TH</sup> 2024

A WARM WELCOME FROM THE SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM

To all our parents, carers and families,

It's been a fantastic start to the new academic year and we are now at the end of a momentous eight weeks of super learning and progress. Well done to all of our children; you are absolute superstars and we are very proud of all of you.

We hope you have the time to relax and enjoy some time with your children during the half-term break, either exploring our wonderful city or visiting family and friends. Remember that most of the museums in London are free to visit so do take advantage of the opportunities on our doorstep – you could visit the Natural History Museum, the Science Museum or simply stroll around the art exhibitions at the Tate Modern. Please don't forget the we will come back on the 4<sup>th</sup> November to shorter days as the clocks go back on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October.

We look forward to seeing you and your children well-rested and ready for learning on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November.

With our very best wishes,

*Mr Coffey, Mrs Nicolaou and Ms Jones*

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Half-term break (Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November). Children return to school on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November

Flu Immunisations – please ensure you have completed your QR code online form so that your child can have their flu immunisation on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November.

Year 6 SATS and School Journey Parents Meeting (parents only, no children) – Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November at 5:00pm



## EVENING FAMILY PRAYER

Dear Heavenly Father,

Please help all those who are suffering, spiritually, mentally or physically.

Give peace to war-torn places and love, protect and care for anyone who is lonely.

Thank you for my loving family, my gifts and talents and my unique personality that makes me, me.

Help me to never turn my back towards you, now and forever

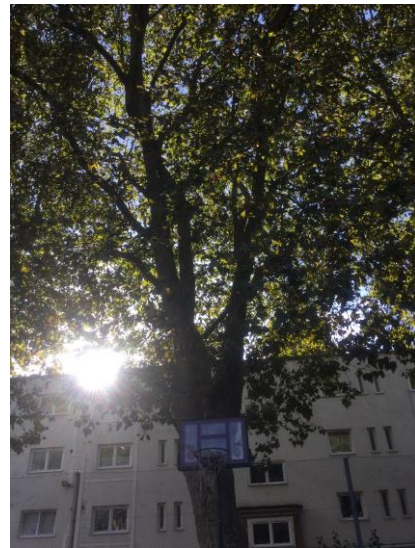
Amen

**By Nathalie, Fisher Class**



## SPOTLIGHT ON AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

After School Club have been enjoying a whole programme of activities this term. They have loved moving around the school as part of their Photography Club and taking and editing their own photos. Some lovely mosaic and pet art have been completed during the creative sessions and lots of creative and inventive dens have been erected in the building sessions. The children have also enjoyed various indoor and outdoor games including the all-time favourite parachute games. We cannot wait to see what they create during Autumn 2 – especially with the new Science Club!!



## ATTENDANCE UPDATE

**Be smart and be on time.**

Attendance this week: 94.61%

Highest attendance: Dempsey (Third time in a row!) with 98.8%



### ***Poetry competition:***

***Can you write a poem? It can be long, short, happy, funny or simply nonsense. Just have a go and bring your best efforts in to Ms Jones by Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November.***

### **Scholastic Book Fair**

Thank you to everyone who attended our Book Fair. We loved seeing all of the children becoming engaged with the books and this was a great way to raise money for the school too, which will be used to purchase new books for each class.



## School Achievements

*Well done to all of our children who entered the Hyde Park Winter Wonderland Art Competition. We are delighted to announce that we have had 3 winners and their art work will be on display at Hyde Park this year!*



Samuele, John Paul Class – Silver Award



Robyn, Elizabeth Class – Bronze Award

Laura, Fisher Class – Bronze Award

## Lexia

*Well done to our children who have completed fantastic work on Lexia. We look forward to this work continuing and celebrating other children's work on Lexia.*



Victoria, George, Nathan, Christiana, Arrieanna, Eliana, Josh, David, Sebastian, Sebastian, Thomas, Michal, Nginika, Juan, Mickayla, Joseph, Tomasz, Ezra, George, Jayden, Tiago

*Special Shout Out.....*

*Goes to Bella, McAuley Class, who is this week's Lexia champion and told us all about how others can do the same, well done Bella!*

**READING**



*Achievements outside of School*

*It was with great pleasure that Jermaine shared with the school his achievement in football. Jermaine proudly wore his medal for all of us to see and shared his achievements at Baller's Club. Mr Humm will be looking out for this future school team footballer.*



## *Extra-Curricular Clubs*

We have a wide range of extra-curricular clubs running in Autumn 2. Please do look out for letters which will come home with your child. Should your child wish to sign up for an extra-curricular club then the form needs to be completed and returned to the school office with full payment for the club. Clubs for Autumn 2 will be KS1 Art, KS2 Art, Cooking, Gardening, Athletics, Basketball and News Club! Please remember that clubs are offered on a rotation basis and if your child has not been offered the opportunity for a particular club this time then they may be offered next. Do, of course, express an interest in a particular club so you may be placed on the waiting list.



### **Coming Up:**

Poppies will be on sale from the main reception when we return after the Half Term. We will asking for a donation for any poppies purchased but will also have for sale the usual poppy accessories such as rulers, wrist bands, pencils and zipper poppies. These are at set prices and will be displayed in main reception. Your child can bring a donation to purchase a poppy at break time. Any accessories will need to be purchased directly with reception. Our children will be attending the service on Remembrance Day at the war memorial on Jamaica Road where they will be laying a wreath for the school.

**We wish all of our St. Joseph's community a well earned and restful Half Term. Thank you to all of the staff and pupils for all of your hard work during the first term of this academic year. We look forward to seeing you all return in November when we will be busy with our Christmas preparations.**

