



ST JOSEPH'S
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents,

I am sure you all enjoyed the half term it was such lovely weather. As you can see from our photos, we have certainly had a busy week in school.

Gospel Reading

We hear this parable in Sunday's Gospel. "The Kingdom of God is like this. A man scatters seed in his field. He sleeps at night, is up and about during the day, and all the while the seeds are sprouting and growing. Yet he does not know how it happens. The soil itself makes the plants grow and bear fruit; first the tender stalk appears, then the ear, and finally the ear full of corn. When the corn is ripe, the man starts cutting it with his sickle, because harvest time has come.

"What shall we say the Kingdom of God is like?" asked Jesus. "What parable shall we use to explain it? It is like this. A man takes a mustard seed, the smallest seed in the world, and plants it in the ground. After a while it grows up and becomes the biggest of all plants. It puts out such large branches that the birds come and make their nests in its shade."

Jesus was trying to show what God's Kingdom is like.



Executive Headteacher

Mr Geaves has visited school this week. He has had a good look around and met all of the children who were fantastic. One child told him how smart he looked so I think he was impressed! We will now be having regular meetings to ensure a smooth transition for September so that Mr Geaves and Miss Wright get off to a great start.

This week in school

Little Joeys

Little Journeys enjoyed a fabulous start to their new topic 'Journeys' with a visit to Saltburn Miniature Railway. They had an amazing special train ride. There was even time for an ice cream at The Valley Garden Tearoom. Throughout the week the children have continued the train ride by constructing their own trains!



FS1

FS1 had a fabulous adventure at Saltburn Valley Gardens. The children loved the journey on board the miniature train and we all had lots of fun in the play park. We even had time for a delicious ice cream. Happy days!



FS2

FS2 enjoyed an obstacle course this week on the field. They had lots of skills to master but manoeuvred the course effortlessly. They demonstrated super gross motor skills and hand eye coordination.



Y1

Year 1 enjoyed some maths in the sun this week.



Y2

Year 2 started their science topic by planting sunflowers. They discussed what plants needed to grow and made observations about their seeds. They are very excited to watch them grow!



Y3

Y3 have been looking at the work of Picasso yesterday and enjoyed designing some colourful, unusual looking faces based on his painting 'The weeping woman'. It was tricky to make them lovely and big so each facial feature stood out well, but after a few false starts the results were looking very promising!



Y4

Year 4 were influenced by Picasso for their art day yesterday. They explored 'cubism' and produced some vibrant and interesting works of art, using Picasso's strange work as inspiration.



Y5

Year 5 enjoyed creating some pieces of art inspired by Banksy during our art day on Thursday. Look at this fantastic charcoal drawing by Macey and Florence to celebrate the NHS!



Y6

The children in Year 6 had a very busy day on Monday, the children enjoyed taking part in a Desert Island Survival Workshop in the glorious sunshine. They learnt about the importance of fire, water, food and shelter; staff were really impressed by the survival skills demonstrated. The children thoroughly enjoyed the day and worked fantastically as a team!







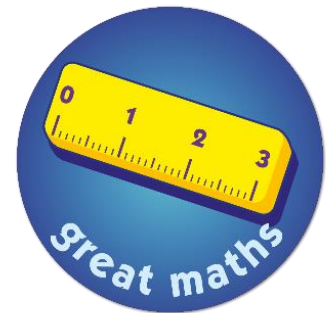
Well done to the following children, your teachers are very pleased with the time you have spent learning your times tables!

Y2	Oscar	Y3	Logan Luke
Y4	Diwai	Y5	Archie
Y6	Danai		

Stars of the Week

Teachers have awarded certificates this week to children who have done well with Maths.

Little Joeys	Amelia
FS1	Hannah and Arabella
FS2	Matilda and Henry
Y1	Ruby Mae and George
Y2	Toby and Charleigh
Y3	Meadow and Daisy
Y4	Harriet and Layla
Y5	Pollyanna and Brooke
Y6	Isaac and Courtney



Lexia

We have lots of children accessing Lexia, a web based reading programme. The following children for a special mention and certificate this week as they are making a real effort with their reading at home. Well done!

Y1	Ruby	Y2	Oliver B
Y3	Benjamin	Y4	Oliver
Y5	Scarlett	Y6	Katie

HOUSE POINTS

St Anthony 111 points

Our Lady Star of the Sea 102 points

St Cuthbert 105 points

St Joseph 96 points

Well done to all those in St Anthony!

Skinningrove

Y3 will be visiting Skinningrove on Monday as part of their topic 'Coast to Coast'. Please make sure children wear the correct school uniform, they will also need water bottles, hats and sun cream if this weather continues.

Year of St Joseph

Please remember to send in any photos of children's Dads, Grandads, Step Dads, Uncles etc for our next Year of St Joseph focus.

After School Clubs

This half term's after school clubs are set out below. They will continue to be open to 'bubbles'. Clubs run until 4.30pm and places can be booked and paid for via Parent Pay (£9 for 6 weeks) Please encourage your child/ren to attend, numbers have been quite low this week.

Monday	MFC	Football	Y3 Y4
Tuesday	Miss Ogden	Super Science	Y1 Y2
Wednesday	Miss Pollock	Art	Y1 Y2
Thursday	Simon Carson	Cricket	Y5 Y6

A couple of reminders!

Y5 Parents

Y5 parents should have received information regarding applications to Sacred Heart in September. NPCAT would be most grateful if these questionnaires could be returned asap. Thank you.

Summer Clubs

NPCAT will be running a summer club for Y4 Y5 and Y6 children. You should have received some information via email. The booking link was part of this.

Parking

Please don't use the school entrance for turning, I want to ensure all of our children are able to arrive and leave school safely. Our bus drivers have great difficulty getting onto site if you park directly opposite the entrance so please be considerate of where you are parking.

PE Kits

Children should continue to wear PE kits on the days they have PE. Only school kits should be worn.

School Uniform

A reminder that if children are wearing sandals, they need to wear socks with them. Trainers are not part of school uniform and should not be worn.

Enjoy the half term break, sounds like the weather will be nice!

Mrs A G Toward

Head teacher