



ST JOSEPH'S
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents,

Another week of beautiful weather and another busy week in school. Thanks for all the wonderful photographs that have been sent in of Dad, Grandads and Stepdads. They are all in display in the hall and the children have enjoyed trying to find theirs. In this Year of St Joseph, we remember that St Joseph is the patron saint of fathers and of the special way he looked after Jesus. I hope all our Dads, Grandads and Stepdads have a lovely day on Sunday – I am sure you will be well looked after!

Gospel Reading

In Sunday's Gospel we hear about how in the middle of a great storm Jesus calmed the wind and the sea. He tells the disciples to have courage and to have faith.



Sometimes when everything around us is scary and going wrong, it can be hard to keep our faith in God. We can feel like God is no longer with us and it is hard to see how things will get better.

But in Sunday's reading Jesus tells the disciples not to be afraid. They should know that God is always with them, especially in the difficult times. God works through us and through others who are there to help and support us in the difficult times. This message is particularly relevant when we have all found ourselves experiencing difficulties in the last year or so.

This week in school

Little Joeys

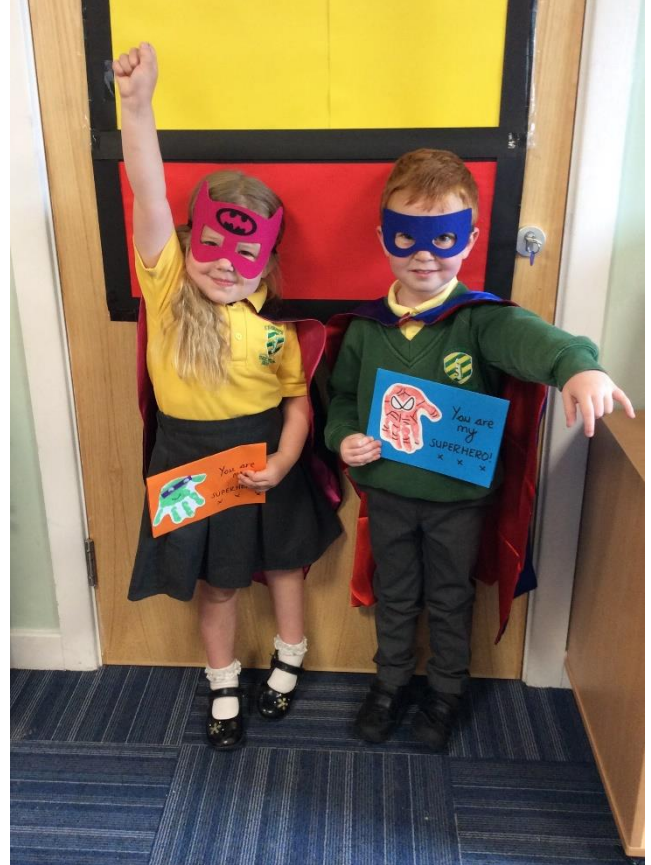
As part of our topic the children have enjoyed going on an underwater adventure. There was sea creatures of all kinds including sea horses, fish, octopus and turtles. Our underwater tent was a great success!



FS1

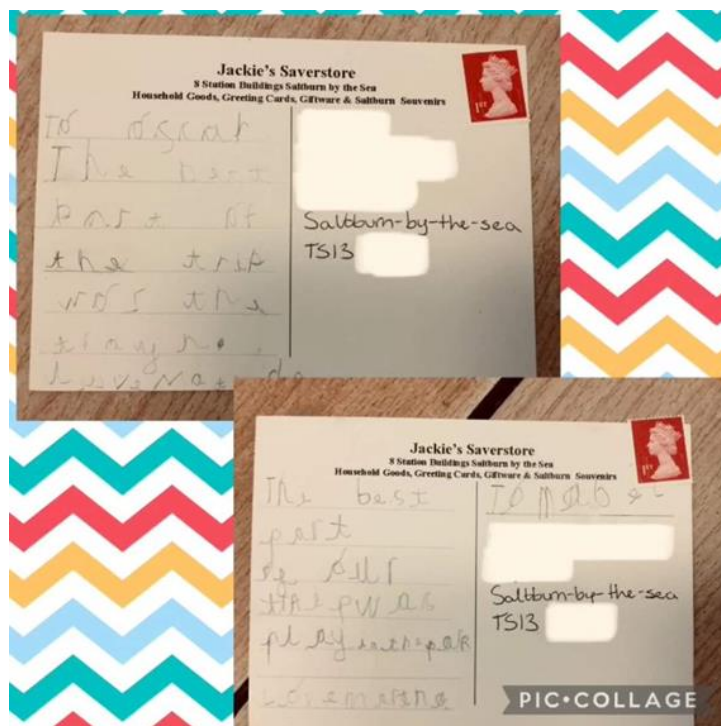
The children have enjoyed sharing stories and roleplaying adventures in our 'hot air balloon' this week. They went on a fabulous trip to the beach and we've loved hearing all about the children's past seaside experiences. Super friendly and super talkers!

Here's wishing all our amazing male role models a fantastically fabulous Father's Day. You certainly are our superheroes!



FS2

FS2 followed up their trip to Saltburn by writing postcards for their Mums, Dads, Grandmas, Grandads, Brothers, Sisters and dogs! We hope you enjoyed your little surprise in the post. Who would have thought that the mark makers we had in September, would now be the proud owners of this beautiful independent writing?



Y1

Year 1 have enjoyed learning about Asian pandas in geography this week. They have decided that giant pandas really are very lazy!



Y2

Year 2 enjoyed composing their own tunes in computing this week, they improved well known nursery rhymes.



Y3

Y3 enjoyed a lovely day at Skinningrove beach this week, the highlight of which was rock pooling, where they found a whole host of things, including 4 different types of crab and a starfish!



Y4

Year 4 have been busy building bridges this week in Science. We investigated what makes a bridge strong and used different classroom materials to create our own. In the end, we had two amazing architects who designed the strongest bridge, withstanding the most weight.



Y5

Year 5 are doing lots of team building activities in PE this half term. They had to stand on the bench and order themselves by height, age and alphabetical order as quickly as they could - without stepping off the bench! They demonstrated excellent communication skills!



Lego League

Well done to our First Lego League Team who competed virtually on Tuesday. They spoke confidently to the judging panel about their team, robot design and innovation project. They demonstrated their programming knowledge by completing three robot mission games scoring 155 points!

They have worked hard across the year and have even come in during school holidays to prepare so must be congratulated on their efforts. I must also say a huge thank you to Miss Ayton who has supported them, given them ideas and challenged them. She has also given up time during her school holidays, we are very lucky to have her.



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

Y2	Isaac	Y3	Ellie
Y4	Harriet	Y5	Holly
Y6	Danai		

Stars of the Week

Teachers have awarded certificates this week to children who have worked hard to write neatly and form letters or join them correctly.

Little Joeys	Georgina
FS1	Pippa and Poppy
FS2	Lewis and Jack
Y1	Abigail and Imogen
Y2	Holly and Bobby
Y3	Freddie and Mason
Y4	Sienna and Sofia
Y5	Sam and Lucian
Y6	Eva and Emily



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	Oskar	Y2	Charleigh
Y3	Ava	Y4	Fraser
Y5	Maisie	Y6	Katie

HOUSE POINTS

St Anthony	134 points
St Cuthbert	163 points
St Joseph	151 points
Our Lady, Star of the Sea	162 points

Well done to everyone in St Cuthbert's! Very close this week

A New Author

Next week is Independent Bookshops week. One of the events at Chapter One bookshop in Loftus will be Helen Scarlett reading from, and signing copies of, her recently published novel 'The Deception of Harriet Fleet'. This will take place on Thursday June 24th between 5-6pm if parents (it is not a children's book) are interested in going along. Helen Scarlett is of course Mr Scarlett's wife so you might even see him there too!

A couple of reminders!

Covid

We must continue to stick to the current arrangements for arriving and leaving school each day. Please follow our one-way system and only arrive at the time you have been allocated for collecting your child. Teachers will not let children leave earlier than this and we do not want parents waiting on the school site for longer than is necessary.

If you need to report a positive test result or your child has symptoms out of school hours, please ring me on 07826789383 or email covidpositive@stjosephs.npcat.org.uk so that any arrangements that need to be made in school can be made as quickly as possible.

Thank you for your support with this.

Y5 Parents

A huge thanks to those who have completed the online questionnaire for Sacred Heart. Please complete as soon as possible, thank you for your time.

Summer Clubs

NPCAT will be running a summer club for Y4 Y5 and Y6 children. You should have received some information via email and chosen the activities your child would like to do. Sounds like they will have a great week.

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.

Term Planner

Unfortunately we didn't really get the news we wanted this week with regard to the wider opening after lockdown and are still unable to have parents in school. I have delayed some of the usual events we have in the summer term in the hope that perhaps we will be able to invite you. Some events have unfortunately had to be cancelled. I have attached some key dates for the next couple of weeks. At present, most events will be for children only but should we be able to, we would love to see you in school so please look out for invites. Y6 parents, I am hoping that we can get you in one evening to have a presentation. I will let you know a date as soon as I can. Please ignore the previous date given.

Mon 21st June	Y5/6 York
Tues 22nd June	Y5/6 York New to FS2 lunch
Wed 23rd June	Y5/6 York
Thurs 24th June	Open Evening Sacred Heart
Fri 25th June	Ice Pop Friday Cleveland Fire Brigade Road Safety
Sat 26th June	
Sun 27th June	
Mon 28th June	Assessment Week
Tues 29th June	Ss Peter Paul Lollipop Uniform Parent session Times to be confirmed
Wed 30th June	
Thurs 1st July	New to FS2 lunch Headstart Y6 pm
Fri 2nd July	Ice Pop Friday Sports Day – classes across day

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs A G Toward

Head teacher