

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 16th June 2023

A MESSAGE FROM MISS CHOMA

Hi everyone,

Another very active week in school – the children will be exhausted by the end of the term! We started the week with Y5/6 mixed cricket match; we won our match and are through to the next round, hopefully the finals too. Y4 had a PE transition day at SMM; they had a great day improving their skills. We ended the week with another victorious win against St Peter's and St Pauls where both the boys' and girls' team (Y4 and Y5) won their matches comfortably. It was a lovely atmosphere; thanks to the parents and grandparents for their help in getting the children there. Your help and support is much appreciated. A big thank to Mrs Harvey for arranging and attending all the different matches/fixtures throughout the year.

The children have worked very hard this week. Year 6 are now in the throes of their rehearsals for their performance of the Wizard of Oz. The singing sounds amazing! You're in for a treat.

Have a lovely week and enjoy the lovely weather.

From all the staff - be safe; be kind and be happy. God Bless

STAFFING NEWS

As well as having Mr Gilhooly start as our new headteacher in September, there will be a few other staffing changes next year.

Congratulations to Miss Hulbert who will be leaving us after 10 years to start a new job as assistant headteacher at St Theresa's in Crossgates, and to Mrs Crosby will also be leaving us to pursue other career avenues.

We wish them both lots of success in their future jobs and thank them for all of their hard work and dedication to St Joseph's.

We will announce which members of staff will be working in the different classes in the forthcoming weeks.



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Sun Ready
Schools



Follow these five sun ready tips to stay safe in the sun

In partnership with

MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT



Use 5-star rated, high-SPF sun cream



Drink plenty of water



Cover up with a hat and long sleeves



Wear sunglasses to protect your eyes



Stay in the shade between 11 to 3

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 17th June - Otley Carnival
- 20th June - Y6 Rugby Tournament
- 22nd June - Y6 Otley Crown Green Bowling
- 26th June - Health and Wellbeing Week
- 26th June - Y5 PHGS Experience Day
- 28th June - Otley Cycle Race
- 29th June - St Peters and St Pauls Mass @ 10am
- 29th June - Sports Day @ 1.30pm
- 3rd July - KS2 Fun Run
- 4th July - Y6 PHGS Rounders Festival
- 5th July - Spelling Bee
- 5th July - Y3 Class Mass @ 10am
- 6th July - Y3/Y4 Cricket Match
- 7th July - Y5 Class Mass @ 10am
- 11th July - Y6 Production
- 14th July - Y4 Class Mass @ 10am
- 19th July - Scarborough Trip
- 21st July - End of Year Mass and Picnic

FATHERS DAY STALL

Thank you to Friend's of St Joseph's and all the parents, especially our stall hosts, for the fabulous Father's Day stall!

The children selected from a great range of gifts and thought about what their fathers, grandfathers and other relatives may enjoy.

We also designed cards in each class for the children to share. We wish you all a wonderful Father's Day on Sunday.



LOST PROPERTY

We have a significant amount of lost property in school at the moment.

Please ask your children to look on the lunchtime trolleys over the next few weeks and remove any items that belong to your child.

Remember, please label all clothing as this prevents a build up of lost property.



SPORT

Y1 Football

Congratulations to all the Year 1 children who played in the football matches last Friday. It was absolutely brilliant to see them all playing with smiles on their faces. Thank you to all of the parents, grandparents, siblings and friends who came to cheer them on, it was wonderful to have so many people watching. The girls won their match 6-3 and the boys came up against a very good team and lost 8-3.

Y6 Cricket

On Monday, 10 children from Year 6 took part in a cricket tournament at Morley Cricket Club. We won all of our group games which meant we qualified for the final which we won!!! The team have now qualified for the West Yorkshire finals which take place next week. Well done to all the team for some super batting and bowling! A massive thank you to the parents who were able to help with transport.

Cricket Matches

On Thursday, we had a group of boys and girls play cricket matches against Ss Peter & Paul's School at Otley Cricket Club. Both teams showed some brilliant batting, fielding and bowling skills and I am pleased to say we win both matches! Well done to all of the players. Thank you to Otley Cricket club for allowing us to use their facilities especially Mrs Halliday and Mrs Bassindale for arranging everything for us. Thank you to Miss Choma and to everyone who came to watch. Let's hope the England cricket team can replicate our success in the Ashes!!!!

On Thursday 6th July, there will be cricket matches for the girls and boys in Year 3 and Year 4.

Rugby Matches

Good luck to the Year 6 rugby team who are taking part in a rugby tournament on Tuesday next week.



CATHOLIC LIFE OF THE SCHOOL

A PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Creator God,

We praise you and thank you for wonderfully creating each of us.

Help us to see each other and ourselves as sacred and holy.

May we always recognise the dignity and worth of every person and may we treat all with deep respect.

Through your Son Jesus.

Amen

OUR LADY & ALL SAINTS CHURCH

MASS TIMES

Saturday Morning: 10am

Saturday Evening Vigil: 6:30pm

Sunday Morning: 9:30am & 11:15am

For updates, please check the weekly bulletin for up-to-date Mass times.



<http://www.olasotley.org/bulletin.html>

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

Well done to Year 3 who led a lovely assembly about all the special adults in their lives. They talked about the different ways the adults helped them, looked after them and the things that they had taught them. Year 3 sang a beautiful song to their adults about them being heroes and bringing light to their lives.

We celebrate Father's Day on Sunday, June 18, 2023. We think of the strength of a father, his guiding hand, his wisdom, his help.

We thought about God the Father who gave up his only Son, Jesus Christ, so that we might be saved through him. We also thought about Joseph, who was a father to Jesus and helped raise him. St Joseph is the patron saint of fathers. We have so many father-figures in our lives, both biological and non-biological, and they often shape our lives in many different ways.

Today, in a special way, let us be thankful for all the special adults in our lives.



St. Joseph, Pray for Us
Happy Father's Day

Heavenly Father, you entrusted your Son Jesus, the child of Mary, to the care of Joseph, an earthly father. Bless all fathers as they care for their families. Give them strength and wisdom, tenderness and patience; support them in the work they have to do, protecting those who look to them, as we look to You for love and salvation, through Jesus Christ our rock and defender, in union with the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. St Joseph, Pray for all our Fathers, Amen

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Prayer of St. Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen



Dear God,
Help us ^{to} overcome the fears and obstacles in our lives.
Let us reach the light at the end of the tunnel.
So we can forever be brave and confident under your unconditional love
Amen.



As a family, with God in our hearts,
we love, laugh and learn.

CLASS PAGES

YEAR R NEWS

We've had a super week in Reception! We have been enjoying the hot weather- we've been doing lots of water play to keep cool. It has linked perfectly with our book this week called, 'Commotion in the Ocean'. We have been writing about our favourite sea animals and have been discussing lots of new sea animals we have never heard of before.

In Maths, we have continued to develop our understanding of teen numbers. We loved playing a fun game of teen number bingo which ended up getting quite competitive! We will be moving on from this next week, however, it would be fantastic if you could keep working on recognising teen numbers and recalling number facts for them at home (e.g. 14 is one 10 and four ones).

In RE, we have been exploring the topic of 'The Church Family'. On Thursday, we went to visit church and were able to explore all around it. We took photos of things that were interesting to us, including the font and the altar. Father Lawrie even showed us the Baptismal record book and lots of us found our names in there from when we were baptised as babies.

YEAR 1 NEWS

This week in Maths, we have started learning about money. We have talked about: money vocabulary, identified the different values of coins and notes and practised adding amounts of money and writing them in pounds and pence. If you get the opportunity to use money with your child over the coming weeks this would be really beneficial.

In English, we have been writing poetry for our Father's Day cards. We thought about lots of abstract nouns and the ways in which we could compare our dads with these qualities.

In Science, we have begun to learn about the classification of different animals. We identified some of the features of the 5 main classes. The five most well known classes of vertebrates (animals with backbones) are mammals, birds, fish, reptiles and amphibians. We know that humans are mammals and that insects, fish, amphibians and reptiles are all cold blooded.

In RE, we have been thinking about Jesus as a healer. A great portion of Christ's time was dedicated to healing the sick. He healed all kinds of people: this week we learnt about the miracle of the paralysed man. We reflected on how the paralysed man and his friends must have felt once Jesus had healed him.

In Topic, we have been learning about countries around the world and this week we have been learning about the capital city of France- Paris. We know some of the famous landmarks of Paris: the Eiffel Tower, Arc de Triomphe and the Notre Dame Cathedral. We drew the French flag and we tried some delicious French pastries.

YEAR 2 NEWS

In English, we have been writing diary extracts. We read 'Vlad and the Great Fire of London' which is told by the viewpoint of a flea! We then decided to write our own extracts from the viewpoint of the bakery cat. We worked hard to describe how the cat felt when they realised the bakery was on fire. We used lots of excellent adjectives and adverbs to help set the scene!

In Maths, we have been doing lots of recapping. We have practised making amounts with money, finding fractions of shapes and numbers and have also looked at the properties of 2D and 3D shape. The class have remembered lots of skills taught this year and it is fabulous to see the progress they have made. Well done Year 2!

As part of our art topic about African Art, we started by looking at the varying landscapes in the continent Africa. We then discussed how these can be used to help us create our own patterns and designs.

In RE, we discussed who the early Christians were and how they lived. We realised that today, as Christians, we live very similar lives: we share meals, we pray, we share what we know about Jesus and we care for everyone. We asked the question "Would people know we are Christians by how we act and what we say to each other?" We decided "kind words, kind actions" was a great statement to live by.



YEAR 3 NEWS

In English, we have started a new unit of writing about the adventures of Tadeo Jones. The children will be writing a 3rd person narrative and have started by exploring figurative language and expanded noun phrases to use in their opening setting description. The children worked really well to come up with some very exciting metaphors and similes to set the scene. They then explored the use of adverbial phrases to add more detail to a sentence before using a storyboard to plan their narratives.

In Science, we have started a new unit exploring forces and magnets. The children learnt that a force is a push or a pull that acts upon an object. They labelled different push and pull forces before annotating diagrams to show the direction of the force applied.

In RE, we revisited the parable of the Good Samaritan. The children enjoyed singing a song and playing a game to demonstrate their understanding of the characters in the parable and reflected on the virtues the Samaritan showed when helping the Jewish man.

YEAR 4 NEWS

On Thursday, Year 4 had a great day at St Mary's, Menston for a PE transition day. We started by playing handball on the Astro turf pitches. Then we practised our netball skills and it was lovely to see some past pupils from St Joseph's being sports leaders. After a break, we finished the morning by practising some football skills and then played some football matches. The children were rewarded for all of their hard work by having an ice lolly after their lunch. The children demonstrated some great skills but more importantly brilliant teamwork and behaviour.

In Maths this week, our new topic is statistics. This involves the children reading and interpreting different graphs including pictograms and bar charts.

In English, the children have started reading our new book, "Christophe's Story". We have looked at writing conversations and thought about character description for the main character.

YEAR 5 NEWS

In Maths, we been looking at adding and subtracting decimals with the same number of decimal places. We used concrete equipment to help us understand the value of the numbers in the different columns. Next, we used the formal method of column addition to add decimals.

In Science, we carried out an investigation about levers and pulleys as part of our force topic. We began by making prediction about what movement and force was acting on the ruler when objects were placed on top. They drew diagrams and recorded their results in a table and analysed those results to write their findings in their conclusion.

In History, we started our new topic 'Anglo-Saxons and Vikings' by looking at what life was like in the 4th Century during the end of the Roman Empire. We thought about how the Roman Emperor was losing control of the Empire and how people in Rome and Britannia started to rebel.

YEAR 6 NEWS

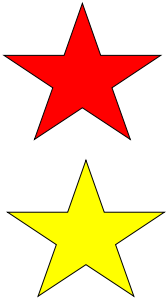
In Science, we recapped the digestive system (which we learnt about in Y4) and wrote a story about a Mars bar's journey through the digestive system. We really enjoyed using our knowledge of grammar and punctuation

In Art, we started our new topic of expressing ourselves, where we are worked on sketching expressions on faces. We did this in small steps focusing mainly on the eyes, nose and mouth.

Throughout the week, we have been in full rehearsal mode for our end of year production with lots of singing and acting. The list of costumes will be sent out early next week.

In Music, we are continuing to work towards our Orange Award from Artforms for using a ukulele. We practised different chords to pieces of music.

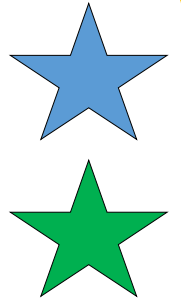
HOUSE OF THE WEEK



WELL DONE TO

EVERYONE

FOR EARNING HOUSE POINTS THIS WEEK



SUNSHINE AWARD

ARTHUR (YR), OTTILIE (Y1), SEB (Y2), FRANKIE (Y3),
CHARLIE (Y4), AMELIA (Y5), CAMERON AND KIRSTY (Y6)



ENGLISH AWARD

ESME (YR), LUCAS (Y1), WILLIAM H (Y2)
JUDE (Y3), HUGO (Y4), NEAVE (Y5), BLAKE (Y6)



An Intercession to St Joseph

Dear St Joseph

Help us to love and care

To be gentle and fair

Help us to work and play together

Help us to live and grow together

To be always glad to help each other

Happy in your loving care

Amen



Otley Cycling Family Fun Day

Garnetts Field LS21 1AS

Police bike marking

between

10.30am and 12pm



10am -3pm



Sunday 25Th June 2023



Children aged 3-12 can improve their skills on our specially designed grass circuit.

Climbing Tower run by Herd Farm Activity Centre.

Adults can try out E bikes & E-cargo bikes, including child carrier on a flat field.

New: selection of adapted trikes to try out.

Activity tent 'Festival Sticker Art' for all ages.

Yorkshire Dales Ice Cream Van

Feel free to bring a packed lunch, plenty of space for a picnic!

Toilets and handwashing facilities on site.

Free Entry!

Helmets are Compulsory.