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Mission
Together we love, learn, follow Jesus
Vision
At St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, through an open and generous heart, we learn together as a family in faith, following the gospel values of love.
Values
Hope Thankfulness Collaboration Compassion Friendship Resilience Empathy Creativity Justice Respect

Tuesday, 5th September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

A huge welcome back to all our families. It has been lovely to see all our children looking happy and excited to be back with their friends at school. A big welcome to our new children in Reception! I am sure that before long, they too, will feel a sense of belonging to our school family. The children have been a joy so far and it looks like we are in for another happy and successful term.

We have a bumper stock of "new to you" uniform which is located in the school foyer. Every item has been washed and is in great condition – please do come and help yourselves to any of the items!

As some of you will be aware, this week is Art Week in school. As a result, P.E. and Forest School sessions will start from next Monday (September 11th). However, **all pupils** should come into school in their P.E. kit this **Thursday (September 7th)** as our performing arts lessons will be starting then

P.E. will be taught on the following days:

- Monday Class 6
- Tuesday Class 2/3
Class 4/5
- Wednesday Class 2/3
- Thursday All classes P.E. kits for performing arts lessons as stated above
- Friday Class R/1
Class 4/5





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Forest School

This will take place half termly for each **year group**. These sessions will take place on a Wednesday morning, please see the timetable below. Reminders will be sent out in advance as sessions are for year groups not whole classes:

Autumn 1 Year 6

Autumn 2 Year 3

Spring 1 Year 4

Spring 2 Year 5

Summer 1 Year 2

Summer 2 Class R/1* *please note as Miss Ollerton will be leading Forest School sessions, pupils in this Class R/1 will have additional opportunities throughout the year; we will inform you in advance when these will take place.*

Year 6 pupils therefore will need to come to school on a Wednesday from next week (September 13th) in appropriate Forest School clothing – can we remind you that tops need to be long-sleeved and trousers full-length. Pupils should bring a change of footwear and a waterproof coat as sessions will take place whatever the weather! As Year 6 pupils will also be doing P.E. on the same day, please ensure clothing is appropriate for both activities.

We will be holding "Meet The Teacher" drop-in sessions after school in due course and we will share these dates with you as soon as possible.

The Archdiocese of Liverpool received the RAAC notification for its schools late Thursday evening. Thankfully, currently, there are no schools and colleges with confirmed cases. However, it is fair to say that this is an ever-changing situation and one in which the estates team at the Archdiocese are monitoring closely. We will keep you updated on any developments.

Thank you to all of our families for the positivity and generosity shown towards the work of our school last year. All staff greatly appreciated the kind words and gifts received.

We look forward to an exciting term ahead and enjoy the sunshine while it lasts!

Kind regards,
Miss Dewhurst
Headteacher

