



St Joseph's Roman Catholic Primary School- Newsletter 16 2019

Dear Parents,

The two weeks from the last newsletter has gone in a flash. The children have all been busy in school and the staff have been working hard finishing off tests and preparing for the last learning conversations of the year. Next week our year 6 children will be on their weeklong residential trip to Normandy in France and at the end of the week on Saturday, it is our annual Summer Fair. I hope that many of you will be able to come along and support the PTA who have been working hard to organise this event. At the same time as our Summer Fair, the Sudbury Town Council are having an event at the refurbished boating lake at the Croft. We are hoping that it will be advantageous to both events and there will be a crossover of visitors. Mr Smith, who is an organiser of the boating lake activities is one of our 'old boys' and has promised to advertise our event to those visiting the Croft. If you plan to visit the Croft don't forget to bring a boat made out of recycled materials, there will be prizes for the most imaginative boats and the fastest boats across the boating lake.

Faith life

End of
term Mass
16th July
9.30am
Mass in
school-



We had a celebratory Mass on the theme of Christian unity on Tuesday. The children given readings and prayers to read did so clearly and were a real credit. All the other children sang with enthusiasm and gusto, making the mass uplifting. We welcomed a larger number of parishioners and parents to this Mass, which was affirming as we were celebrating Christian unity. Father Brett reminded the children of the need to be fair and considerate to one another and people of different faiths and we all had a responsibility to be Christian beacons in a world of growing intolerance. Thank you to the PTA for the new china crockery and Mrs Rogers for dispensing the teas, coffees and delicious biscuits.

Parents, I was completely saddened, stunned and exasperated when I received this notification from Adrian Walters, one of the Sudbury Meadows Rangers he wrote:

This morning I had a text from an 'angry and sick' member of public about a Facebook posting of two mothers encouraging two uniformed St Joseph children to chase ducklings on the Croft. The text states that one duckling was trodden on and then one mother encouraged the children to try to catch a duckling to take home. I don't 'do' Facebook so I cannot verify the facts. I merely draw your attention to this. However, I do know that children are constantly 'allowed' to chase the ducks. Adrian

I am hoping that this is a case of mistaken identity, as I am finding it difficult to comprehend that any parents from our school would condone such heinous acts.

Please be vigilant and report any incidents.

Mini- Vinnies table top sale 1st July after school. Please could we have any unwanted items to sell.

The next PTA event will be the Summer Fair on Saturday 29th June 1-4pm.

PLEASE SUPPORT THIS EVENT!

Diary Dates

- Wb- 24th June Year 6 French Residential
- 25th June St Benedict's Y5 Maths Masterclass morning
- 17th June - 1st July Learning Conversations weeks
- 24-28th French Residential
- **29th June PTA-SUMMER Fayre 1-4pm**
- 1st July Mini Vinnies table top sale 3.15pm
- 3rd July EYFS Pirates day with St Edmunds children visiting.
- 8th JULY Sports Day 1.15 PM Children to leave from OSA at the end of the day.
- 12th July Mini Vinnies Mass and celebration in Newmarket 9-1pm
- 12th July Leavers Assembly 2.30-3.15pm and Tea Party 3.30-4.30pm yr 6 parents and friends welcome
- **15th -19th July Year 6 Induction week TGS & St Benedict's School 17th - 19th July**
- 16th School Mass in school 9.30am
- 17th July transition day in school
- **19th July BREAK-UP for SUMMER**

Year 4 children visit TGS Science Fair-

On Wednesday, Year 4 had an opportunity to attend TGS for a Science Fair. The morning began with three of our children receiving an award for designing the best stickers. Well done to **Zuzanna Bulacz (third place)**, **Millie Mumford (second place)** and **Archie Carrington (first place)**. They each received a sheet of their stickers. The children were placed into two groups and rotated around the science department; taking part in many different activities. Children were able to learn about the role of a vet and deciphered which animal's droppings belonged to which animal from Colchester Zoo. The children also learnt about DNA and made their own models of DNA structures using sweets. Other activities were seeing a dancing flame in a science lab, and testing how fast they could run using a speed camera with a police officer. Throughout the morning the children were impeccably behaved and a credit to St Joseph's school. The staff at TGS were very impressed with their involvement and how much knowledge the children already had. A fantastic time was had by all, well done Year 4, we were so proud of you. Mrs Soar and Miss Bracher



Pictured: Millie, Flora, Lucy. Michaela and Laura. Jared, Frank and Leon.



PTA Triathlon News

The 'Triharders' came 4th overall in the relay competition followed closely by 'Splash, Flash and Dash' who came 6th overall, but who were the first female relay team to finish. Hot on their heels was the teacher's team who came 7th followed by the 'Triharders' who came 10th. The individual entries also did well achieving PBs! The children who took part in the afternoon were amazing and came 2nd, 4th and 9th in the girls Tristar 2 event - a fantastic achievement for each of them. Thank you so much to everyone who took part, to those who came to cheer us on and to those who sponsored us. **We have raised over £600** for the PTA which is a fantastic sum. The winner of the 'Guess the time' competition will be announced at the Fete on the 29 June 2019. Mrs Rogers



Friends and family enjoying the event.



Staff team- Mr LS, Mrs Ruane and Mrs Brewer

Well done Evan, St Joes are so proud of you!

Evan has been at Ipswich since he was five, and been approached by both Colchester and Norwich trying to poach him. Staying focussed; he has maintained his desire to do well and has always given 100%. He has been rewarded for his hard work and commitment with a **one year Academy contract with Ipswich Town Football Club**.

I personally would like to thank St Joseph's for the time and effort they put into helping him learn in the classroom as I feel this will always be just as important as football if not more so. Jenson his big brother deserves a mention for helping Evan on his journey always supporting him and giving him great advice.
Mr Frost



Evan signing his contract with two of the Ipswich Players.



Lucy, Mya and Amelia

