

## Congratulations!

<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Child of the week!</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>23<sup>rd</sup> April</u></b></p> <p>St Andrew: Tiana          St Elizabeth: Miya          St Francis: Lin          St Margaret: Joshua          St Philip: Kiki          St Teresa: Melody</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Attendance</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Best Class</u></b></p> <p>KS1: St Andrew 95%</p> <p>KS2: St Francis &amp;          St Philip 97%</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Cloud 9</u></b></p> <p>Kowen            Julian          Jack B           Emma          Billie            Misty          Mia W            Angel          Freya</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Head Teacher Award</u></b></p> <p>Emellia          Freya          Zuzanna        Nolly          Troy             Andre</p>
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## BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> MAY SCHOOL CLOSED

### **Book Fair**

We are excited to have 'Travelling Books' back again at St Joseph's. The book fair will take place on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May in the school foyer (8.15-9am and 2.30-3pm). Books will on sale at the special offer of three books for the price of two!

### **Attendance Awards**

Thank you to those who attended the assembly to see their child receive a spring term award for achieving 100% attendance. It was lovely to see so many of you supporting your children accepting these important awards.

### **SATs**

The KS2 SATs are the week commencing Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May where Y6 (St Teresa) will be tested on their maths, reading, spelling, grammar and punctuation.

A message to Y6 from Mrs Foan and Mrs Skinner, "We know how wonderful you all are and how hard you've all been working. We just need you to do your very best and try not to worry. Keep calm and carry on!"

### **VE Day Party**

On the last day of term, Y6 (St Teresa) came to school dressed up in 1940s-style clothing to celebrate the end of their WWII topic. We had several evacuees, some 'land girls', some 1940s housewives and some members of the British army – everyone looked fantastic! Thank you also to the parents and carers who were able to join us that day to listen to the children's

### **IMPORTANT DATES:**



#### **May**

- Mon 6<sup>th</sup>            Bank Holiday – school closed
- Wed 8<sup>th</sup>            Book Fair
- w/c Mon 13<sup>th</sup>    Y6 SATs week
- Fri 17<sup>th</sup>            Y6 Duke of York trip
- w/c Mon 20<sup>th</sup>    Walk to School Week  
Y6 Bikeability Level 2
- Fri 24<sup>th</sup>            Last day before half term week

#### **June**

- Mon 3<sup>rd</sup>            INSET day – school closed
- Tues 4<sup>th</sup>            Back to school after half term
- Tues 11<sup>th</sup>          New parents welcome meeting  
(YR September 2019)
- Thur 13<sup>th</sup>          Class Photographs

medley of WWII songs, watch their marching and join us for a cup of tea and some WWII food!

### **Samba Dancing**

As part of our School of Sanctuary status, Elias from the Red Panda Agency spent a fun day at school running a Samba dancing workshop. The children thoroughly enjoyed it; thank you Miss Matthews for organising it.

### **Red House Team Party**

Last Friday our amazing Red (House) team enjoyed a celebration party as they were the triumphant winners last half-term achieving the highest house point/rosette score.

### **Y3 Trip to Seven Sisters Country Park**

On Tuesday our Y3 class (St Francis) visited the Seven Sisters Country Park. They followed the River Cuckmere and discovered how the river fits within the landscape and learned about its importance for both wildlife and themselves. They thoroughly enjoyed their busy day out – they climbed a hill, ran down the hill (pretending to be a river) then saw hundreds of sheep and then went searching for fossils down on the pebbly beach.

Y3 were surprised to see a “giant-sized horse” – the Litlington White Horse (hill figure) which was carved into the chalk on Hindover Hill. They completed some amazing river art work, using natural materials. All in all, the children loved their outdoor learning experience on the Sussex Downs and Mr Sutherland said they were so engaged and enthusiastic, a pleasure to be with and were wonderful ambassadors for St Joseph's School.

### **Term-Time Absences**

Just a reminder that holidays should be taken in official school holiday times. Fixed penalties

will continue to be issued by Brighton & Hove City Council for unauthorised absences.

### **Staff Car Park**

A reminder that parents are not allowed to use the car park (unless you have prior permission from the Head Teacher). Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

### **Afterschool Clubs**

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to our afterschool clubs. Please make sure you are up to date with payments. Thank you.

Also, just to let you know that payment for Jolly Jo's will now appear on ParentPay as a weekly amount.

### **Names in School Uniforms**

Please make sure that all children have their names in their uniform and PE kits. Please also ensure that your child wears the correct school uniform. Thank you.

### **Parent/Toddler Group**

Just a reminder that our parent/toddler group runs on Wednesday mornings in the school library. If you have friends or family with young children, please encourage them to come along and bring a friend. It runs as a drop in, so no regular commitment is needed.

### **New Parent Governor**

The Governing Body of St Joseph's are very pleased to welcome Nicolas Miché to the Governing Board as a Parent Governor. They are also happy to announce that John Parfitt has been re-appointed as a Parent Governor.

The Governors would also like to thank those who have so far contributed to the Governors' School Fund (following the letter sent home last week). They greatly appreciate any donation.