



School Newsletter



Christ at the Centre

Dear Parents,

Apologies for the delay in getting the Newsletter to you all!

On Friday, we said goodbye to Mrs Ward who has now begun her Maternity Leave. We wish her, and Mr Ward, all the luck in the world as they begin this new chapter in their lives and ask God to send his blessings upon them at this exciting time.

In other baby news - Mrs Welsh has now reached 38 weeks so we've only 2 weeks to go until Baby Welsh's due date! I'll keep you posted!

Wishing you all a lovely week!

Mr. Welsh
Headteacher

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<https://www.facebook.com/stjosephsmoorthorpe/>

Y6 HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATIONS

It is now time for all our Year 6 pupils to apply for their preferred high schools. Parents must complete the online form on Wakefield City Council website or complete the paper application form and return this to School Admissions (Wakefield Council) by the **31st October 2018**.

<http://www.wakefield.gov.uk/Documents/schools-children/school-admissions/secondary-guide-parents.pdf>

If you want your child to attend St Wilfrid's Catholic High School, within the BCCAT, you will also need to complete a supplementary information form. You need to contact the school directly and ask for this form and return this directly to St Wilfrid's.

MACMILLIAN COFFEE MORNING

Thank you to all those families who were able to visit our Macmillan Coffee Morning a few weeks ago. Your overwhelming donations helped raise **£257.40** for this most deserving charity. As usual, I was blown away by this total; this annual event always proves what a caring community we are and that we understand that in helping others we are doing God's work. Thank you to all the staff too, who helped on the day and thank you to all who contributed to this amazing result.

DIARY DATES

Change of day:

Thur 18th Oct

Celebration Assembly at 2:45pm

Fri 19th Oct

Harvest Festival
Non Uniform Day -
'Bright' Theme

Fri 19th Oct

Harvest Festival Liturgy
at 2:45pm

Tue 23rd Oct

Non Uniform Day

Tue 23rd Oct

PTA Disco
3:30pm until 4:30pm

Wed 24th Oct

Y6 'Big Sing Liturgy
Thing' at St Wilfrid's

Change of day:

Thur 25th Oct

Celebration Assembly at 2:45pm

Thur 25th Oct

School closes for half term
at 3:30pm

Fri 26th Oct

INSET DAY - Start of
half term

Mon 5th Nov

Back to School - Start of
Autumn 2

UNIFORM REMINDER

Could I please remind parents that children are only allowed to wear white shirts and **not white polo shirts.**



SCHOOL NURSE WORKSHOPS

This week, Year 1 will work with the School Nursing Team and learn all about effective hand hygiene and Year 3 will learn about dental hygiene.

Last week, I was on Safeguarding training and I learnt that the largest form of neglect in Wakefield is dental hygiene! Please visit Colgate's 'Bright Smiles, Bright Futures' parent webpage for useful information, games and resources to use at home - <https://www.colgate.com/en-us/bright-smiles-bright-futures/program-materials/for-parents>

PTA DISCO – TUESDAY 23RD OCTOBER

'DJ Fish' aka Miss. Fisher, is back for our end of half term disco from 3:30pm – 4:30pm.

Tickets cost £2.50 which include entry, drink and snack. There shall also be sweets, glow sticks and a lucky dip available to buy/play on the night, priced between 20p and £1. Tickets are now available from the school office.

PARENTS' EVENINGS – MONDAY 19TH & TUESDAY 20TH OCTOBER

Parents' Evenings take place next half term, either on Monday 19th November or Tuesday 20th November. Online booking details will be sent out after half term.

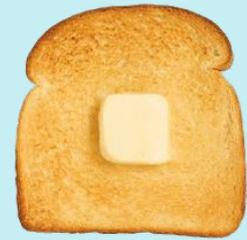
RESPECTFUL PARKING

Yet again, please could I remind everyone about safe, respectful parking around the school perimeter. Parents **must not** park outside the school gates, when picking up or dropping off; a number of times last week, parents were parking in front of the gates, with their parking hazards on, therefore blocking the access for emergency vehicles. Many thanks for your continued support.

We're off to the Panto! 'Oh no we're not! Oh yes we are!'

I distributed the Panto letter a few weeks ago which you'll have all received. We will attend the Pantomime at the Alhambra, Bradford, this year, on Friday 14th December. The cost is £15 and a reminder that we will return to school around 5pm. We will confirm the time at a later date.

Toast at Break Time



Toast is sold each break time for Years 1 – 6. It is 20p per slice and children are allowed a maximum of 2 slices (40p). If your child wishes to have toast at break time, they should bring their money into class each morning.

Reminder: All prescribed medication must be sent into school via the office, by an adult, for the appropriate paperwork to be completed.

2018-2019 & 2019-2020 School Calendar Dates
<http://www.st-josephs-moorthorpe.wakefield.sch.uk/news-and-events/calendar>

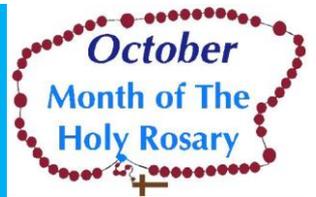
Weekly Celebration Assembly

In light of Harvest Festival this Friday, and the Inset Day the following Friday, the next two Celebration Assemblies will take place on a Thursday.

All Celebration Assemblies take place **weekly, from 2:45pm.** Parents are welcome to attend and we will notify you if your child is receiving a certificate.

During this month of October...

There are many special times when we honour Mary throughout the year, but the month of October is a special month. To celebrate this wonderful occasion, we place lots of beautiful flowers and candles around the statue of Mary to remind us of how important Mary was and still is. We think about the inspirational person Mary was, to be a servant of God and the obedience she showed, when the Holy Spirit encouraged her life and her actions. We pray the Holy Rosary, together, as often as we can during the month of October. The month of October is a good time to commit to praying the Rosary everyday...the Rosary will bring great peace and holiness to your life and is the best way of honouring Mary.



On Friday, 19th October, we will hold our annual Harvest Festival in school, to which you are more than welcome to come and join us for our Harvest Liturgy, at 2:45pm, in the school hall.

As usual, we will be supporting two causes:

- **Local Cause: Westfield Centre Food Bank, South Elmsall**

Please provide donations of the following:

- Cereals
- Tea, Coffee, Sugar
- Dilute Fruit Juices
- Jars of Sauce (Bolognese, Pasta, Curry)
- Tins of Soup, Fish, Meat, Beans, Vegetables, Tomatoes, Pasta & Fruit
- Packets of Dried Pasta, Instant Pasta, Rice & Sauces
- Stock Cubes & Gravy Granules
- Desserts - Rice Pudding & Custard
- Sweet & Savoury Biscuits
- Toilet Rolls & Toiletries
- Long-life Milk



CAFOD
Just one world

- **Worldwide Cause: CAFOD - Brighten Up this Harvest**

We will be holding a 'bright' non uniform day, where the children can wear what they want and be as bright as they like!!!! We ask for a donation of £1 per child, or £2 per family, which will go towards children and families across the world, who are currently living in extreme poverty and hunger.

Many thanks for your continued support.

ST JOSEPH'S SAFEGUARDING ARRANGEMENTS

Mr. Welsh (Designated Safeguarding Lead), Mrs. Millard (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead),
Mrs. Kelly (Designated Staff Member) & Mrs. Rowley (Designated Staff Member)

<http://www.st-josephs-moorthorpe.wakefield.sch.uk/key-information/safeguarding>



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