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NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our Chair of governors, Stephen Newton, and fellow governors would like to wish all staff and pupils a very happy and prosperous New Year and hopes that everyone had a lovely Christmas.

Congratulations!

During the Christmas break Mrs Madden got married and is now Mrs Kellett. The staff and governors at St Joseph's send our congratulations to the happy couple!

Further congratulations to the following children who were awarded certificates and stickers this week for "A great start to the new year".

- Nursery - Henry L and Freddie B
- Reception - Sophie S and Evie B
- Year 1 - Joshua B and Toby C
- Year 2 - Ava M and Leo J
- Year 3 - Cameron W and Daisy H
- Year 4 - Amelia M and Ruben T
- Year 5 - Lance K and Isabella B
- Year 6 - Grace P and Heather R

Absence from School

Please can I remind parents to check the weekly newsletters and school website for school term dates as staff training days can differ from school to school. It was very disappointing to see that our attendance for Monday 7th January was 92% which is extremely low, there were a total of 12 unauthorised absences and 15 sickness absences on that day. Holidays in term time are not authorised and may lead to penalty notices being issued if applicable.

Pen Licenses

Part of our school focus is to help our children to improve the presentation of their work and their handwriting. Therefore, we are starting to issue Pen License Certificates, during the Friday assembly, to children who move on from writing in pencil to writing in pen. We have seen a great improvement in handwriting in all classes and these certificates are a great way of celebrating our children's success. These will be generally issued to Year 4 children onwards when they have mastered joined handwriting which is the correct size, shape and orientation together with high quality presentation of their work.

Reception 2019

Please note that the closing date for applications to be submitted for a place in our Reception class in September 2019 is Tuesday 15th January. Last year we received over 50 applications for 30 places so please ensure that your application is completed on time.

Diary Dates

Thursday 31 st January	Year 2 trip to the Lowry.
Tuesday 5 th February	Reception Class trip to pizza restaurant.
Friday 15 th February	School closes for half term.
Monday 25 th February	School re-opens.

Letters with more details about these trips will be issued by the class teachers shortly.

Community News

Message from Rainbow Guider for 2nd Mossley (St Georges)

If your daughter is aged between 5 and 7 years old and would like to join Rainbow Guides and get involved with the new programme and badges, 2nd Mossley (St Georges) Rainbows have places available on Thursdays at Baden House, 6pm to 7pm. For further information please contact the Guider, Anita Mayall on 07743454744 or go to <https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-your-daughter/>

I thank you for your continued support and I wish you all a very Happy New Year.

Kind regards,

Mrs Irene Williams
Head Teacher