



Weekly Parent Update - Autumn Week 6

Dear Parents,



For Celebration of the Word this week, we looked ahead to the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, where Luke describes Jesus' encounter with the 10 lepers. Standing some distance off, the group shouts at Jesus, "Lord! - Take pity on us." Jesus instructs them to go and show themselves to the priests and, as they head off, they discover they are cured! However, only one of them has the sense of mind to return and thank Jesus. The Lord comments, "Only has returned to say, 'Thank you'".

We have focused with the children this week on the "tool" of gratitude. We know that those who hold an attitude of gratitude have better mental health and are more resilient when faced with challenges. Children have been building a culture of gratitude in their classes by looking for missed opportunities to thank others for their service to the school e.g. thanking the Caretakers for unlocking the gates each morning.

You can read more about our week in school, including our liturgy of thanks for this Harvest season, on the [Headteacher's Blog](#).

God bless,
Mr Collins

St Joseph's Family Worship



We are excited to announce a new initiative, in response to parent feedback - St Joseph's Family Worship. These will be short sessions throughout the year, after school, to share faith, fellowship and food with our community. The first session will be on **Thursday 23rd October**, straight after school. We will share some of the worship songs the children really enjoy, listen to God's word and spend a few moments in prayer together. The session will last approximately 30mins. Come and join us!

Autumn Term Surveys



Please take a few precious moments to share your views in this term's parent and pupil surveys...

Parents (live from Friday 10th October, 12pm and closes on Friday 24th October):

<https://participate.schoolsurveys.com/6ZVkcdpW4WxqS3PI>



Pupils (also shared on Google Classrooms - live from Friday 10th October, 12pm and closes on Friday 24th October):

<https://participate.schoolsurveys.com/q6jB9EMZDtO0ad7I>



From the PFSA

EVENT SCHEDULE 25/26

29 NOV	CHRISTMAS FAIR 12-3PM
20 MAR	DISGLO 5-7:30PM
20 JUN	SUMMER FAIR 12-3PM

WE NEED YOU!

DO YOU WANT TO HELP PLAN THESE FUNDRAISING EVENTS FOR SCHOOL?
PLEASE SCAN TO SIGN UP OR SPEAK TO YOUR CLASS REP!



£25,000 yearly fundraising target!

Contact your PFSA team on pfsaevents@stjosephsguildford.com

Details attached of this year's events, including Bend the Rules day on Friday 24th October!

Holiday Camp & Wraparound Care



Booking is now open for October half term holiday camp - with an array of Autumn themed activities and crafts alongside time for outdoor and active play! If you haven't already done so, simply register with our [Wraparound Care form](#).

We are also excited to announce a new after school charging structure from the beginning of November - the full session (up to 6:00pm will remain £17.50) but a shorter after school session will be introduced for £10.00 (up to 4:30pm).

Nasal Flu Vaccinations



We will be visiting your school on Wednesday 18th (Infants) & Thursday 19th (Juniors) November 2025 to deliver flu vaccinations via nasal spray.

Please complete the e-consent form by 4pm on Wednesday 12th November 2025 by visiting:

- www.surreyimmunisations.co.uk and entering your school's unique code SR131112
- If you do not want your child to receive a vaccine, then please fill in the 'No' box.

School Admissions



**Secondary school
admissions are open
Apply by
31 October 2025**

Please find leaflets attached from Surrey School Admissions with all the details you need to know about the application window for Primary and Secondary School admissions for September 2026.

Upcoming Diary Dates

Wednesday 15th October

School Tour - please call 01483 888401 to book a place

Thursday 16th October

Parents' Evening (all year groups) - 5:00-8:00pm

Friday 17th October

4C's Class Assembly - 10:10am

5A Swimming

Autumn Term Book Fair - 3:15pm

Tuesday 21st October

School Tour - please call 01483 888401 to book a place

Parents' Evening (all year groups) - 4:00-7:00pm

Thursday 23rd October

Family Worship - 3:20pm in the Old Hall

Friday 24th October

PFSA Bend the Rules Day

5A Swimming

Parent Prayer Group - 9am - All are welcome!

6V's Class Assembly - 10:10am

End of Half Term - normal end of day routines