



Weekly Parent Update - Spring Week 6

Dear Parents,



We looked ahead to this weekend's Gospel (6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A) for our Celebration of the Word this week. Jesus tells the people, "I have not come to abolish the law but to complete it." We have been reflecting with children this week on the Fundamental British Value - The Rule of Law. We have come to understand that all communities must have rules and laws to operate harmoniously, like our own school rules, "I am ready, respectful and safe." But at the heart of all these rules and laws is the love we have for one another, modelled to us through Christ Jesus. We choose to follow the rules because we care about the impact of our words and actions on the wider community.

3D taught us all about the Rule of Law in their awesome class assembly this morning. You can read all about it on the [Headteacher's Blog](#). I wish you a blessed half-term break and I look forward to seeing many of you at this afternoon's Family Worship session...

God bless,
Mr Collins

Family Worship Session - TODAY from 3:20pm



Our next Family Worship Session takes place today, straight after school - **entrance via the Prayer Garden Gate**. Come and join us in celebrating the halfway point in the school year and let's give thanks to God for the gift of our education as we share faith, fellowship and food together. We will share some of the worship songs the children really enjoy, listen to God's word and spend a few moments in prayer before heading off for our half-term break!

St Joseph's Clubhouse

ABOUT ST JOSEPH'S CLUBHOUSE

A high-quality, school-based wraparound care and holiday club provision for children aged 4-11, delivered entirely by our own trusted St Joseph's staff. Families value the affordable continuity, care and community that only a school-run programme can provide – a place where children know the adults, each other, creating a warm, confident start and end to their day.



ST JOSEPH'S CLUBHOUSE
At St Joseph's
Catholic Primary School



WHY CHOOSE US

- ✓ Easy to book home-away-from-home wraparound care options from 7:30am - 6pm, where children thrive and belong
- ✓ Run by our local school community for our school community, all staff are employed by the school
- ✓ Something for everyone with a broad range of fun activities including calm spaces
- ✓ Includes nutritious snacks and hot options prepared by excellent school caterers

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE
TO FIND OUT MORE**

www.stjosephsguildford.com



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CLUBHOUSE**

Wraparound
Care, Creativity, Community

St Joseph's
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Guildford



We are fast approaching our February Half Term and we have a fabulous half term camp planned which includes cooking pancakes on Shrove Tuesday! - A full list of activities is now attached.

The camp is open to siblings of primary school age that may attend other primary schools in the area.

Please book your places early and if you haven't registered your child please fill in the form attached and return it either by email to info@stjosephsguildford.com or drop it to the School Office.

Dogs in School



We have a number of "working dogs" in school throughout the day, some supporting classroom sessions and others officially registered as an Emotional Support Animal (like Honey pictured above), insured and risk assessed before entering the school site. Other than those dogs which are permitted, the general rule remains, "No dogs allowed". If you have any questions, observations or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me - Mr Collins.

Thank You for Your Support With Attendance



We would like to thank all our families for their continued support in helping children attend school regularly. Good attendance makes a real difference. When pupils attend well, they are more confident, build stronger relationships, and enjoy better progress in their learning.

Why Regular Attendance Matters

Every school day counts. Missing even a small number of days can add up and affect a child's understanding, confidence, and long-term outcomes. The Department for Education highlights that being in school consistently helps children achieve their full potential and supports their wellbeing by giving them routine, security, and opportunities to take part in all aspects of school life. Our aspiration for each of our pupils is to be in school for **at least 96%** of the full school year.

- Year R - 95.05%
- Year 1 - 94.71%
- Year 2 - 96.61% 🌟
- Year 3 - 96.32% 🌟
- Year 4 - 96.43% 🌟
- Year 5 - 96.02% 🌟
- Year 6 - 94.06%

Our Partnership

- Please continue to make sure your child arrives on time every day.
- If your child is unwell, let us know as soon as possible.
- If you would like support as family for any reason with regards to attendance, please contact Mrs Sue Hua(Deputy Headteacher) who is keen to support you

We truly appreciate your partnership. By working together, we can make sure every child has the best possible chance to thrive.

GREAT ATHLETE DAY! 🏆

Commonwealth Competitor
NERYS PEARCE
is coming to our school

Scan to sponsor
Search our school

QR code

Photo of Nerys Pearce in a wheelchair

Don't forget Great Athlete Day is the first Monday back from half term (23rd February). Hopefully your child has received their sponsorship form to help raise money for the event. You can also sponsor your child by visiting: www.greatathletes.org and clicking on the button "Set up a Fundraiser Page". Alternatively, you can scan the QR code to go directly to the online sponsorship page.

As a thank you, pupils will receive the following thank-you gifts for meeting these milestones:

- Raise any money: an A5 sheet of motivational stickers
- Raise £10 or more: a blue Great Athletes wristband
- Raise £25 or more: a blue wristband, and a red wristband with Nerys Pearce's signature
- Raise £50 or more: all of the above, plus a signed Nerys Pearce poster

Please ensure that the sponsorship form and money (sealed in an envelope or bag with name and class) are returned to the school office 1 week after the event has taken place. **Please also make sure that your children come to school on the event day with their PE Kits!**

Upcoming Diary Dates

Monday 23rd February

Great Athlete Day - PE kits needed

World Thinking Day - Girl Guiding group uniforms welcome

Tuesday 24th February

Reception Wellie Waddle

1H to FAST Museum

[St Peter's Online Safety for Parents](#) - GAMING - 7:00pm

Friday 27th February

Parent Prayer Group - 9:00am - All are welcome!

3W's Class Assembly - 10:10am

2N Swimming

Tuesday 3rd March

1K & 1T to FAST Museum

Thursday 5th March

World Book Day

Year 6 Parents' SATS Meeting - 3:30pm

Friday 6th March

2N Swimming

4L's Class Assembly - 10:10am