



Weekly Parent Update - Autumn Week 7

Dear Parents,



In Celebration of the Word, we heard the parable of the persistent widow whose insistence on justice prevails, despite a corrupt judge's attempts to ignore her pleas. Jesus reassures his followers that God will grant justice more swiftly than this but we must persevere in prayer, "Pray continually and never lose heart."

In this Jubilee Year for the Church, we are focusing this week on the Catholic Virtue of Hope - the confident expectation of God's saving power at work in our lives. 4C taught us all about this important part of the Christian faith in their fabulous class worship this morning. You can read all about it and our busy week in school on the [Headteacher's Blog](#).

God bless,
Mr Collins

House Points



Congratulations to all the children for their impressive start to the year and their commitment to our school rules, "I am ready, respectful & safe." A special well done to Lindisfarne (Green House) for their overall win this half term! - An extra play time will be organised for Lindisfarne House on Friday 24th October and children can wear their official Green House T-Shirts on that day.

Canterbury - 1,075

Iona - 1,301

Lindisfarne - 1,539

Walsingham - 1,355

Nurture UK



This month we are focusing on the Nurture UK Wellbeing principle, 'The importance of nurture for the development of wellbeing'. We help children to learn about themselves and believe in themselves.

Here are some activities you may enjoy completing at home with your child to support them in knowing and celebrating themselves:

- Talk as a family about each other's qualities, what you like, what makes you proud and what you dream of doing.
- Make an "All About Me" collage or picture that represents their interests, family, culture, favourite foods etc.
- Strengths Superhero Shields - design a shield with symbols or words that represent their strengths and talents.

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

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

Lindisfarne Green House T-Shirts

End of Half Term - normal end of day routines