

Friday 8th April 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I can't believe the holidays have arrived so quickly! After what has been a challenging term with high staff and childrens' absence, the children have still had a super term, full of fun learning. They are making great progress and we are very proud of them.

Some of our children took part in a cross country running event at Brixington on Tuesday. They competed really well and did St Joseph's proud. Thank you to Mrs O'Mahony for organising it.

Rowan and Sycamore Classes went to visit the Church on Wednesday. They loved looking at all the stain glass windows, exploring, playing the organ and singing Shine Jesus Shine at the top of their voices. Father Philip said how lovely it was to have them visit.

Thank you to all those year 6 parents who attended the SATs talk yesterday evening. We hope you found it useful. There is a talk for Year 2 parents on Thursday 5th May to pass on information about the Year 2 SATs. We are aiming to have the talk in school at 2.45pm.

Many thanks to the PTA who organised the disco last night. The children had a super time and there were some great moves on the dance floor!

Forest School

As Mrs Turner has now left, next term we have Twiglets Forest School coming in to run forest school with us. After Easter it will be Sycamore Class having Forest School first. So every Wednesday they will need to bring old clothes, wellies and a coat in a bag as they will be going out in all weathers.

Mrs Spinks

Today Mrs Spinks leaves to start her maternity leave. We wish her well and look forward to seeing her and the baby soon!

Staff vacancy

Sadly, Mrs Owens has taken the decision to retire at the end of the summer term. We are very sorry to see her go but are pleased she is remaining with us until the end of this academic year.

Easter liturgies

Please find attached dates and times for the Easter liturgies. Father Philip will be delighted to see any St Joseph's children in Church and on the Easter Sunday Mass he has promised he has Easter eggs to give out as well!

I hope you all have a lovely Easter.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Best wishes

Mrs Taylor-Bashford

Diary dates:

Monday 25th April – First day of the Summer term

Wednesday 27th April – Sycamore Class start Forest School sessions

Friday 29th April – RNLI visit KS2

Thursday 5th May 2.45pm – Year 2 parent SATs talk in school

Friday 6th May – Cherry Class start swimming lessons

Friday 13th May – Fire Service visit, classes 2, 3, 5, 6

PTA Sponsored Bounce

Headteacher's Award: Oak Class - Bella

Gold Awards: Rowan Class – Adam, Joseph

Silver Awards: Oak – Laicee, Felicia, Jacob, Anna, Aidan, Archie, Aria, Cherry Class - Daisy

Bronze Awards: Oak Class – Art, Beech Class - Edith

Stars of the Term: Oak Class – Brooklyn & Aria, Rowan Class – Kenny & Catriona, Sycamore Class – Theo & Poppy N, Cherry Class – Jaime & Beatrice, Maple Class – Gemma & Jacob, Beech Class – Azi & Zaylea