

Friday 2nd November

Dear all,

Ofsted

As you will know our Ofsted report is out and we are really pleased to now be an Ofsted 'Good' school. We emailed a copy of the report to everyone and it is on our website. It will be on the Ofsted website from 7th November.

Cross Country

A group of our children have gone to the East Devon Cross Country finals at Bicton today. This event is a qualifier for the Devon Schools Winter Games. We wish them lots of luck and are very proud of them for getting this far. Many thanks to the parents for helping with this event.

All Saints Day

The children had a great time dressed up as Saints. They and the staff looked brilliant! We walked across to the Church for Mass and they looked so lovely all walking down the road dressed up! Unfortunately we couldn't take FSU as we did not have enough parent helpers and due to ratios that meant they stayed behind. But Mrs Clarke, Mrs Rush and Miss Arthur did extra special activities in class to make up for it!

Remembrance Day

Next week we will be selling poppies and other related items in school. All items are for a suggested donation of 50p except rulers which have a suggested donation of £1. The Yr 6 children will be taking them around each class and they are also on sale at the office. All the money raised goes to The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.

On 11th November there are many remembrance services and activities. At 7pm people will be gathering at Holy Ghost Church as 1000 Cathedrals and Churches will ring out their bells across the nation in celebration of Peace.

Meal time assistant

Unfortunately, one of our lovely meal time assistants, Mrs Wall is leaving us at the end of the month. She will be very much missed and we thank her for all her hard work and support at St Joseph's. It does mean we are advertising for another meal time assistant. It is Monday to Friday 12 till 1.15pm. Please ask at the office if you are interested.

Non-Pupil day

Please don't forget next Friday 9th November is a non-pupil day.

Road safety

Please can I ask you to remind your children about crossing the roads carefully. We have spoken to the children in assembly today as there was an incident this morning where a child ran out across the road as a car was reversing. Luckily, the child was fine but it obviously could have been very serious. In this incident it was the child who ran out without looking but, when you are dropping off or collecting, please ensure you are driving slowly. Also, please do not park in front of the school gates, across the crossing area or on any of the yellow lines at any time. I'm sure you will appreciate this is for all the children's safety. Many thanks.

Upcoming dates:

Friday 9th November – Non-Pupil day

Monday 12th November – Anti-bullying workshops

Friday 16th November – Children in Need day. Children to come into school wearing spots – no school uniform – for a suggested donation of £1. All money raised goes to Children in Need.

Best wishes & many thanks for your continued support

Mrs Taylor-Bashford

Headteacher's Awards: Sycamore – Adam, Annie, Cherry – Charlie Ha

Gospel Values Bronze Award: Sycamore - Alfie

Stars of the Week: Oak - Sukie, Rowan – Gemma, Sycamore – Amelia, Cherry – Jaydon,
Willow – Summer, Maple – Frank, Beech - Katy

Breakfast Club star of the week: Bella