



Newsletter 1st March 2024



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We Work, Learn and Grow Together in God's Love

"Lent is a favourable season for deepening our spiritual life through fasting, prayer and charitable giving." Pope Francis

"Reading can take you places you have never been before." - Dr Seuss

Attendance Matters - Whole School Target - 96%+.

Each week we will report on the whole school attendance and individual class attendance.

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Overall
Total Sept to date	96.93%	94.43%	93.67%	97.73%	96.85%	95.51%	95.61%	95.80%
This week	99.03%	94.53%	95.54%	100%	100%	96.67%	100%	98.08%

Well done to Year 3 for the highest attendance this week and to Years 3, 4 and 6 who have 100% attendance this week. The attendance figure is slowly creeping towards our minimum requirement so thank you for your support with this.

Tower Wood - The children have returned safely from Tower Wood having had an amazing week. We owe a big thank you to the staff who have been on duty 24/7 for the past 5 days Mr Merrick, Miss Wallis, Mrs McAllion & Mrs Entwistle - I am sure they will all sleep well tonight!!

A big thank you too to the staff who have held the fort in school, which has been challenging with four staff members being away on the residential.

Rock Kidz - Several years ago, Rock Kidz visited our school and the children had a fantastic week with them, starting every day with a raucous rock concert! We have invited Rock Kidz back to spend another day at St Joseph's on 14th March. To enhance the experience, the children are invited to come to school dressed as Rock Stars for the day.

CAFOD Big Lent Walk - This year, we will once again be going on CAFOD's Big Lent Walk with the school community during Lent. Please find link below to our Just Giving page where you can make donations.

<https://schools.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/family-of-st-josephs-big-lent-walk2024> - If you and your family do some walking outside of school, please let us know and we can add your walk to our total. Hopefully, we will smash our target, raising money for this year's Lent appeal.

World Book Day - Instead of the children coming to school as their favourite book character, we are asking that they create their own 'Book in a Box' and bring their book to school with them to show to their friends in school. Book in a Box is a chance to bring a chapter of your book to life by putting together objects that relate to your book and using them to tell the story of what your book is all about.

Own Clothes Day - Thank you for all of the bottle donations today. Details will be sent out soon with regards to Easter Bingo.

Reception Resources - Miss Singletan has asked if anyone has got an old kettle or an old phone (not a smart phone) that they can have to use in their role play areas

Dates for your Diary - These dates are now showing on our 'School Calendar' on our school website, please keep an eye on there, as any updates will show on there as changes are made.

4th March - Y4 'With you Always' in school @ 6.30pm

7th March - World Book Day - see above

8th March - Reception Class Assembly @ 2.30pm. Reception parents and carers are welcome to attend

12th - PTFA meeting (in school) @ 9am

14th March - Rock Kidz in school - see above and dress up as Rock Stars!

15th March - Break the Rules Day - more details to follow

17th March - Big Lent Walk (more details to follow)

22nd March - Year 2 Class Assembly @ 2.30pm. Year 2 parents and carers are welcome to attend

25th March - Guitar Concert @ 2.15pm

26th March - Easter Bingo (more details to follow)

28th March - School closes for Easter

31st March - Easter Sunday, Family Mass