



Newsletter 5th November 2021



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With love we grow!

“Life is a precious gift, but we realize this only when we give it to others.” Pope Francis
You can find magic wherever you look. Sit back and relax all you need is a book! - Dr. Seuss

School Admissions for September 2022 - Primary school admission applications are open for September 2022. If you have a child in pre school at nursery, please go to <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-a-school-place/apply-online-for-a-school-place/>. School faith forms are available from the school office or on our website and must be returned to the school office.

School Catering & New Menus - Please see separate letter regarding food wastage in school.

Parents' Evening - We will be holding parents' evenings this term via a platform called 'Schoolcloud' which allows a video call with parents and carers at your chosen time on the date available - more details to follow once confirmed.

School Crossing to Douglas Meadow - After a long period of waiting we have been informed that a new crossing has been approved by the local authority from the Douglas Meadow estate across Bolton Road. We have written to Stewart Milne requesting that this is actioned as a matter of urgency and will keep you informed once we get a response from them.

Cinema Trip - As is customary each year, we like to take the whole school to either the theatre or the cinema at Christmas time. A few years ago we took the children to Wigan Empire which was a resounding success. We hire the whole screen, so there is no access from the general public or other schools so this is a better option to minimise any spread of Covid before Christmas. We request that parents pay for entry to the cinema, which includes a drink and a snack box, the PTFA will pay for transport as usual.

Bikeability - Year 6 will be doing their bikeability on Monday and Tuesday next week. Bikes and helmets can be left in school over night on Monday. If your child is riding home after school on Tuesday, please make sure they have working lights on their bike to ensure their safety.

Autumn Social - Please see email/notification sent earlier today with a change of date for this event to Thursday 18th November, the times of each keystage are EYFS & KS1 3:15 - 4:15pm (Reception children can stay in school at 3.05pm and will go straight to the event). KS2 4:30pm - 5.30pm. Please book and pay online via Eduspot.

Poppy Appeal - We are having our annual poppy appeal next week. Poppies and other memorabilia are available in each class. Some items are in short supply so will be first come first served.

Snap Bands (limited availability) - £1, Wristbands - £1, Reflector poppy - 50p, Zip Pull - 50p, Paper poppy - suggested donation 50p. Please note we do not have any change available in school, so all proceeds sent in will be put to the cause.

Sacramental Programme - the 'With you Always' programme will start in Church on Monday evening at 6.30pm for children and parents of children in Year 4 taking part in the Sacramental programme. Please can you bring a pen and paper. The following two Mondays the meetings will be held at the same time but in school. 6th December - Service of Reconciliation.

Twitter Accounts - Reminder of class twitter pages

School - @stjosephsander2

Reception - @EYFSwithMissS

Year 1 - @Year1withMsG1

Year 2 - @Year2withMissJ1

Year 3 - @Year3MrsP

Year 4 - to follow

Year 5 - @Year5withMissB

Year 6 - @Year6withMrM1

Young Voices (Y6) - We are looking to place the order next week for the Young Voices T-shirts. If you would like to order one you can do so via the shop on SchoolMoney (Year 6 only).

School Levy - The annual school levy payment of £10 per family is due. Some families have a standing order setup for this payment and need not take any action. If you do not have a standing order setup, please can you make payment via SchoolMoney? This charge is payable to Liverpool Archdiocese to enable us to access funding to carry out upgrades to the buildings and school grounds. Any shortfall from the parents' contribution needs to be paid from our education budget which we would like to avoid.

Flu Vaccination Programme

If you would like your child to receive the nasal flu vaccine in school please follow this link to complete an online consent

form <https://www.nhsimms.uk/FLU/information?Is=119668&Type=FLU>

The vaccinations will take place in school on Friday 19th November, the link will close on Tuesday 9th November. If your child has already had the Nasal Flu Vaccine since September 2021 please disregard this message. **If you have any problems accessing the link please telephone 0333 358 3397, option 3.**

Kind regards

Immunisation team

Dates for your diary

8th & 9th November - Year 6 Bikeability

8th November - 6.30pm Y4 With you Always (in church)

15th November - 6.30pm Y4 With you Always (in school)

19th November - Nasal Flu Vaccinations for those who have given consent (see above)

22nd November - 6.30pm Y4 With you Always (in school)

24th - 30th November - Scholastic Book Fair in school

6th December - 6.30pm Service of Reconciliation/Confession (church)

Have a Happy & Safe Bonfire Night

