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St. Joseph's Newsletter

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WELCOME BACK

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you all back after what I hope has been a wonderful summer break for both you and your children.

We are extremely fortunate at St. Joseph's to have such a dedicated and passionate staff and they are all looking forward to working with you and your children this year.

In order to make this year as successful as possible it is important that we all work together to create a shared culture of success. I therefore ask that if there is anything you think we can do to help your child; share it with us, if there is anything concerning you about your child or there is anything you would like any support with in order to help your child; please email me. We have a united goal to get the best out of your children and working together makes it much easier to achieve.

I am well aware that there will be occasions when you as parents disagree with something that has happened either in your child's class or within the school or with a decision that has been made that you don't understand. Again all I ask is that you contact us in order to get a suitable resolution for all involved. If we are not aware of your concerns then we are unable to help. Rest assured all decisions made at St. Joseph's always have the children at the centre.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank you once again for the amazing support you have given both myself and the school as we work through this difficult period of time. The way you rose to the challenge of home schooling will have a huge impact on the success of your children and we believe all our children will be back on track with their learning very quickly as they settle in to the new year.

Finally, I would like to praise the incredible children. They have been through so much yet they have walked back in to school full of enthusiasm and confidence, ready for the challenges that lie ahead. They really are amazing!

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2 YEAR OLD NURSERY

After months of planning I am excited to say we have now opened our 2 year old room. It is a wonderful learning environment with 2 excellent members of staff leading the way. The children have settled in really well and I look forward to seeing the progress they make as the year goes on.

NEW START AND FINISH TIMES CONFIRMED

Thank you for your cooperation as we settle back into the new year. It has taken a bit of tweaking but we now believe we have a system in place that is safe and efficient. Below are the confirmed times:

Arrival*

8.30am - Nursery. Reception and Year 1

8.40am - Year 2 and 3

8.50am - Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6

Collection*

11.45am - Nursery (15 hours)

3.00pm - Nursery (30 hours), Reception and Year 1

3.10pm - Year 2 and Year 3

3.20pm - Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6

*Siblings arrive/collect with youngest child

Please remember to stick to the allocated time slots, social distance outside of school and move away from the school gates as soon as possible.

School Lottery

Due to current Government guidance we are currently unable to hold fundraising events that we would have done in the past. I am therefore asking that you support the PTFA and their excellent fundraising efforts by signing up to the school lottery. The more that sign up to the lottery the more money we raise for the children of our school.

There are weekly winners and these receive a cash prize.

If you would like to sign up please follow the link below:

<https://www.st-josephs-rugeley.org.uk/parents-1/school-lottery>

Future Events

Tuesday 8 September

Academy Photos - Individuals and siblings in school.

Friday 11 September

Year 6 Class Mass (Children only)

Tuesday 20 October

3.30-6pm Parents' Evening - Details to follow

Thursday 22 October

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Break up

Monday 2 November

Return to school