



St Joseph's Newsletter 7



20th December 2019



Worship and Liturgy – At this time of year it can be easy to forget the true meaning of Christmas. Our Children at St. Joseph's have reminded us this week in their beautiful services and performances. We are reminded that we are all innkeepers of Christ. We have an opportunity to be the

innkeeper that lets Christ in. Make room for Christ this year in your Christmas, let his light bring hope and peace. We have challenged the children this week to show their faith in action by:

- Sparing a thought for those less fortunate than us
- Being compassionate to our families
- Being grateful for what we have

Olivia in year 6 reminded us to "Give Jesus the gift of love on his birthday"

PE Clubs – After school sports clubs finished on 13th December. A new invitation letter will come out the first week back and they will begin w/c 13th January 2020.



Goodbye and Farewell – We say goodbye and goodluck to Miss Lucas who finishes today to move on to a new role at another school. We send her with our very best wishes for the future and thanks for the time she has given to the children and families here. We will miss her greatly.

PTFA – We would like to take this opportunity to thank the PTFA for the ongoing hard work and support over the last year. The small team of four gives hours of their time for the benefit of the children and as a result the children have benefited from purchases totaling in excess of £1,000s. Here are just a few of the things we have used the money raised on:



- Literacy Planet
- Year 6 Leavers activities and presents
- Science week funding for activities
- Theatre Productions

We would love to have more volunteers to share the workload. Please contact the office if you are interested.



Thank you to everyone who donated to our Shekinah Mission appeal. We have raised a whopping £345 for this charity. This, together with a hamper of food, will make such a huge

difference to many people this Christmas.

Dates for your Diary

Back to School – Monday 6th January – Epiphany

School Mass – Sunday 19th January 2020

All dates are on the Website, please check regularly to keep up to date.

Support Over Christmas – I am sure you can appreciate that after a long term our staff need to have a good break in order to be ready and raring to go in January, therefore they do not monitor emails over the Christmas period. If you need to get information to your child's class teacher before the first day back please send this to the main school email address, marked for the attention of the class teacher.

st.josephs.rc.primary.school@plymouth.gov.uk

If you need help and guidance during the two week break there are a number of services that can help you:

School Nursing – 434119

Health Visiting Team – 434008

Your Local GP

Family Support – Plymouth Gateway – 668000

These services will support a variety of scenarios and can signpost you to the help you need.



Celebrations this week

Whole School 96.3%	Top Class – Year 3 97.5% Year 4 97.5%
Accelerated Reader 100% Marlee Vincenzo Noah Inayah Freddy Giulio Ruby Connie Finlay	Literacy Planet Y6 Mollie Y5 Dawid Y4 Nicole Y3 Connie Y2 Gabriel Champion – Gabriel
Times Table Rock Stars Ksawery Imogen H Galyn Junior S	Crew Members F – Marina Y1 – Mieszko Y2 – David Y3 – Connie Y4 – Alexis Y5 – Frazer Y6 – Jayden
Witness Noah, Jaxon – Forgiveness Grace – Kindness Marcel – Integrity	



*For unto us a Child is born,
Unto us a Son is given;
And the government will be upon His shoulder.
And His name will be called
Wonderful, Counsellor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace*

Wishing you a Happy and Holy Christmas.

From Everyone at St. Joseph's

