



St Joseph's Infant School News



St Joseph's Infant School Newsletter
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MESSAGE FROM MRS HARDY

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back I hope you had a good half term break. A busy but exciting term for the children lies ahead. There is lots going on in the run up to Christmas. Please see the 'dates to remember,' section at the bottom of this letter.

It has been great getting out and about again with the children in the local community. At the end of last term Key Stage 1 visited the Bishop Palace Gardens to explore Autumn. It was good to have so many of our parents enjoying the morning in the gardens with the children. Thank you for your support. Have a look at the photos further on in the newsletter.

A visit to the moon this week at the Chichester Cathedral excited our Year 1 and Year 2 pupils. Thank you to Paul and Zena from St Paul's church for their support

I was pleased to hear that our first coffee morning, organized by Friends of St Joseph's, held at the new community hall in St Paul's church was so well attended. The Friends are still asking for support with the Christmas Fayre, please email the school office if you can help.

I will be sending out a parent survey on line at the end of this week. I would be grateful if as many of you as possible could complete it. This does help us to understand, from a parent's perspective, what we are doing well and what we could do even better.

Mrs Hardy
Headteacher

NEWS AND UPDATES



Harvest Festival

A big thankyou to everyone for your generous Harvest Festival contributions. Chichester Foodbank were delighted by quantity and the quality of the food donated.

★ Star of the week				
	18 th Oct		1 st Nov	
Fox class	Leo Ben	Ava-mai Harvey	Holly Eliza	Alex Angel
Owl class	Lenny Joshua	Arthur Lily Q	Artie Jacob	Daniel Daisy
Squirrel class	Andreri Charlie	Harrison Sarah	Tymon Tony	Bruce Matilda



Well done to these pupils who have been recognised by their teachers in our Friday Happy Assembly

Visit to Bishops Palace Gardens



Museum of the Moon in Chichester Cathedral



Reading morning

Thank you to those parents who came to our reading morning last Friday. This will happen each Friday from when the doors open until around 9.05am.



EVENTS AND REMINDERS



Jam Club started last week, led by Father Paul and Zena from St Paul's church. The children enjoyed a breakfast of brioche and fruit. They sung songs, told stories and did some painting. The pupils that attended had a great time, and it proved to be a good start to the day. There are still places available if you would like your child to attend. Jam Club takes place on Thursday morning at 8pm (no cost), please let the school office know. The Jam club is held in the St Joseph's Junior School.

Below are the clubs that are continuing to run this term. If your child would like to attend a club please contact the school office via email office@stjosephsinfant.school
Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Clubs will continue for 2 more weeks, finishing on w/b 22nd November.

Day	Club	Times	Run By	Year Groups	Max number per club
Monday	Art club	3.15pm-4.00pm	Mrs Taylor	Year 1 and Year 2	10
Monday	Happy readers	3.15pm- 4.00pm	Mrs Hardy	Year 1 and Year 2	Spaces available
Wednesday	Multiskills club (Activities and games based on running, jumping, catching, balance and coordination)	3.15pm- 4.00pm	Mr Savage	Year 1 and Year 2	10
Thursday	Football	3.15pm- 4.00pm	Mr Savage	Year 1 and Year 2	Spaces available



Ofsted Parent View gives you the chance to tell Ofsted what you think of your child's school, the questionnaire can be completed at any time - you do not have to wait until the school is being inspected.

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

If you go to the above website and click on 'give your views' you will need to register and then you will be sent a log in password. You will then be able to complete the questionnaire online.

9th December



St Joseph's Infant and Junior School, Christmas Fayre will take place on Thursday 9th December from 2pm – 4pm

We are currently writing out to local companies asking for donations for the Christmas fayre raffle prizes. If you know of someone or can offer a raffle prize yourself, please let either school know.

Jazzie Jars



At our Christmas Fayre this year we will have a 'Jazzie Jars stall,' where children can win a jar filled with goodies (a winning ticket everytime). We are looking for families to donate a decorated jar filled with goodies of your choice, some ideas: sweets, hair accessories, stationery, art and crafts, small toys. Please can the jars

Mufti days - Non-school uniform

On the following dates pupils can come into school in non-uniform and where possible, contribute the following items for the Christmas Fayre on that day:

Friday 12th November: Bring a bottle: non-alcoholic, alcoholic, bubble bath or anything that's in a bottle.

Crazy Hair day Friday 19th November: Chocolate or sweets + 50p for Children in Need

Friday 26th November: Christmas treats - anything Christmassy !!

We appreciate any donation and just ask that you contribute where possible. Please accept our thanks. Further information on our Christmas Fayre will follow.

TERM AND DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Term Dates – 2021/2022

Autumn Term 2021 Thursday 2 nd September 2021	Friday 17 th December 2021
Half Term Monday 25 th October 2021	Friday 29 th October 2021
Spring Term 2022 Tuesday 4 th January 2022	Friday 8 th April 2022
Half Term Monday 21 st February 2022	Friday 25 th February 2022
Summer Term 2022 Monday 25 th April 2022	Friday 22 nd July 2022
Half Term Monday 30 th May 2022	Friday 3 rd June 2022



Inset Days:

Monday 28th February 2022

Tuesday 4th January 2022

Monday 6th June 2022

Dates for your Diary

November

- 10.11.21 School Photos
- 11.11.21 Parent Consultations
- 12.11.21 Non uniform – bring a bottle for Christmas Fayre
- 19.11.21 Influenza Vaccinations
- 19.11.21 Children In Need (further details to follow)
- 19.11.21 Crazy Hair Day – bring chocolates or sweets for Fayre
- 26.11.21 Non-uniform - bring in a Christmas treat for our Fayre

December

- 1.12.21 St Joseph's School Coffee Morning at St Pauls. 9am–10.30am
- 9.12.21 Christmas Fair. 2pm – 4pm
- 10.12.21 Christmas Jumper day
- 14.12.21 Christmas Church Carol Concert
- 15.12.21 Chartwells Christmas Dinner

17.12.21 **Last day of term**



- Our first coffee morning at St Pauls.
Please come and join us on 1st December for our next St Joseph's coffee morning