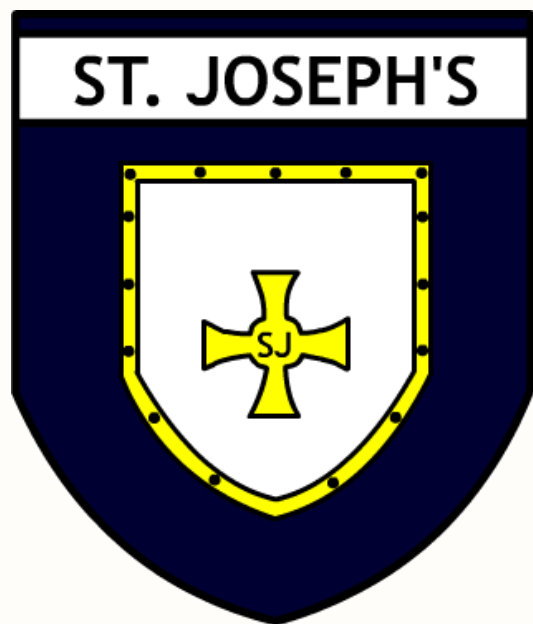
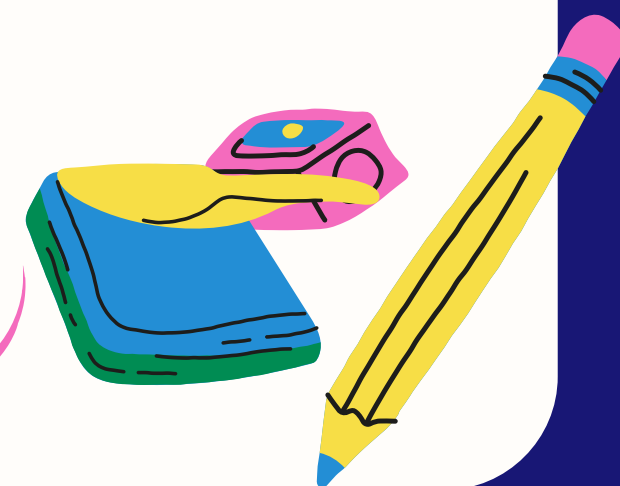




St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Newsletter



Newsletter 8

30.06.23

Dear Parents and Carers,

Sports Week has been a huge success! Thank you so much for your attendance and support at Sports Day and thank you to Mr Rickard, Rachel and Sam from Atorro Sports for organising such an amazing day for the children and parents. We have some very competitive children and we are really proud of how encouraging the children were to each other and the team spirit! Well done St Mark's and St Matthew's! The children looked very smart in their new house team PE t-shirts. Apologies for any confusion around today and whether children are in kit or not. Going forward, we would like the children to wear their house team-coloured t-shirts for PE lessons: Ducklings wearing them into school on PE days and other classes keeping them in their PE bags.

Other highlights from Sports Week, included the brilliant fencing workshops, kin-ball with Dan Moody and our fantastic whole school trip to Moors Valley Country Park yesterday. The younger children enjoyed pond dipping, scavenger hunts, and a train ride while the older children experienced orienteering, Go Ape games and a scavenger hunt. All the children were well behaved and we were very proud of them. Thank you to all parents and carers for dropping off and collecting children from Moors Valley. A huge thank you to my staff team - Ms Thomas for introducing the idea and Mr Rickard for organising it. The team were amazing and we are very blessed with the teachers, teaching assistants and office staff at St Joseph's.

This newsletter will include staffing for September. Mrs Walls will not be teaching a class but she will still be an important part of our team, teaching classes across the school and leading Science. We will be welcoming a new teacher to our team - Mr Ryan Cook. He will be in school next Thursday morning, which is when we have arranged for each class to meet their new teacher for next year. Wishing you all a blessed and restful weekend.



Starlight Club

Thank you to Niamh and Dom for providing such a valuable resource at our school - our Before and After School Club. Starlight Club will be holding a Pizza Night and Movie Night in the Autumn Term so keep an eye out for these events! If you do need wraparound care at Starlight Club, please create an account through the following link: [//stjosephs.magicbooking.co.uk/](https://stjosephs.magicbooking.co.uk/)

A reminder of Starlight Club opening times:

Breakfast club - 7.45am-8.45am (Mon-Fri) £5.50

After School Club - Half Session - 3.15pm-4.45pm (Mon-Fri) or

4.15pm-6pm - (Mon-Thurs) coming from another club at St Joseph's £6.50

After School Club - Full Session - 3.15pm-6pm (Mon- Thurs) £13.00

After School Club on Fridays Half Session - 3.15pm-4.45pm £6.50

Summer Fayre success!

We would like to say a big thank you to everyone who came to our Summer Fayre and to everyone who helped make it a success.

Thank you to all of the teachers, staff and parents who gave their spare time to support the event. Well done to the School Choir for their wonderful performance led by Mrs Rippon and Miss Wright.

Well done to the Year 3 class for the first ever Maypole Dance performed at the Summer Fayre and to Mrs Whyte for all the hard work preparing the children! We were delighted to welcome the Mayor of Christchurch, Cllr Charrett who came especially to see the special performance.

We are delighted to announce that the Fayre made an amazing £2,300! The PTA will be able to fund some exciting new projects in school which we will be discussing at our next meeting.

A big thank you to all of the businesses who kindly donated a prize to the raffle including:

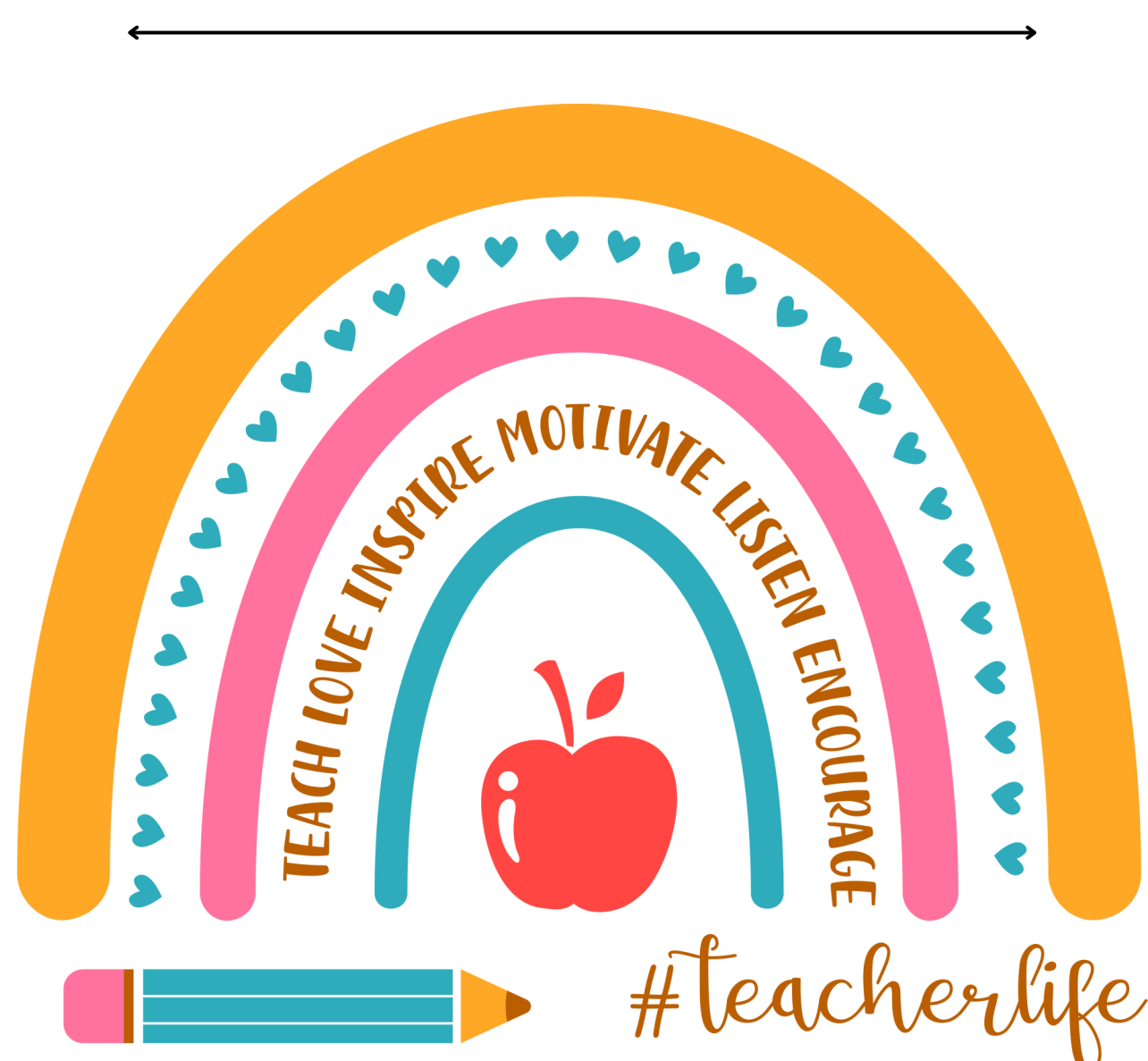
The Jetty, Samantha Midgley Photography, Harry Redknapp, Christchurch Derma Spa, The Boathouse, The Pig, Snowtrax, Moors Valley, Calibre Fitness, Belle Bodies, Premier Sport Coaching, China at Lees, Alexander's Fish and Chips, Toby Carvery, Yoga with Alexa, Ayshia in Highcliffe, Justine Elizabeth Hair, Sciencetastic, Beauty with Love Jessica, Seven Springs Studios Photography, Farmer Palmer's Farm Park, 2 Riversmeet, Harvest Fine Foods Ltd., Sports Direct, Farmer Palmer's Farm Park, Sports Direct, Stewarts Garden Centre, Cliffhanger Restaurant, The Lord Bute, The Nelson Tavern, Brown's Fish and Chips, The Somerford Beefeater, Prevail Junior, Cliffhanger Restaurant, Jojo's Grazing, The Lord Bute, The Nelson Tavern, Shoreline Escapes, Mudeford Rocks, Compton Acres, Regent Centre, The Ducking Stool, Hoburne Park, Stanpit Wines, McDonald's Christchurch, Coast Coffee, Adaptive Crafts, Hiker Cafe.



SCHOOL LIFE

Particle Physics

We are delighted that Mrs Walls has been selected to join other primary science subject leaders from Ogden Trust schools around the country to visit the CERN Hadron Collider in Geneva, during the summer holidays. Whilst there, she will take part in practical training in particle physics and how to inspire our children to become excited about physics at primary level. She is very excited to bring back inspirational ideas for next year's science curriculum in school.



Staffing for 2023/24

Please see our staffing for the next academic year for teachers and teaching assistants, starting in September:

Ducklings Teacher: Mrs Dean

Ducklings Teaching Assistant: Mrs Cheeseborough

Year 1 Teachers: Ms Fox (Mon,Tues,Wed)/ Mrs Wilson Thurs/ Fri.

Year 1 Teaching Assistants: Mrs James and Ms Churchill

Year 2 Teachers: Mr Curran (Mon, Tues, Weds am)

Mrs Wasmuth (Weds, Thurs, Fri).

Year 2 Teaching Assistants: Mrs Farrell and Mrs Crozier

Year 3 Teacher: Mrs Whyte

Year 3 Teaching Assistants: Mrs Wooller and Ms Smith

Year 4 Teacher: Ms Wright

Year 4 Teaching Assistant: Mrs Hougham

Year 5 Teacher: Mr Cook

Year 5 Teaching Assistant: Mrs Jung

Year 6 Teacher: Ms Thomas

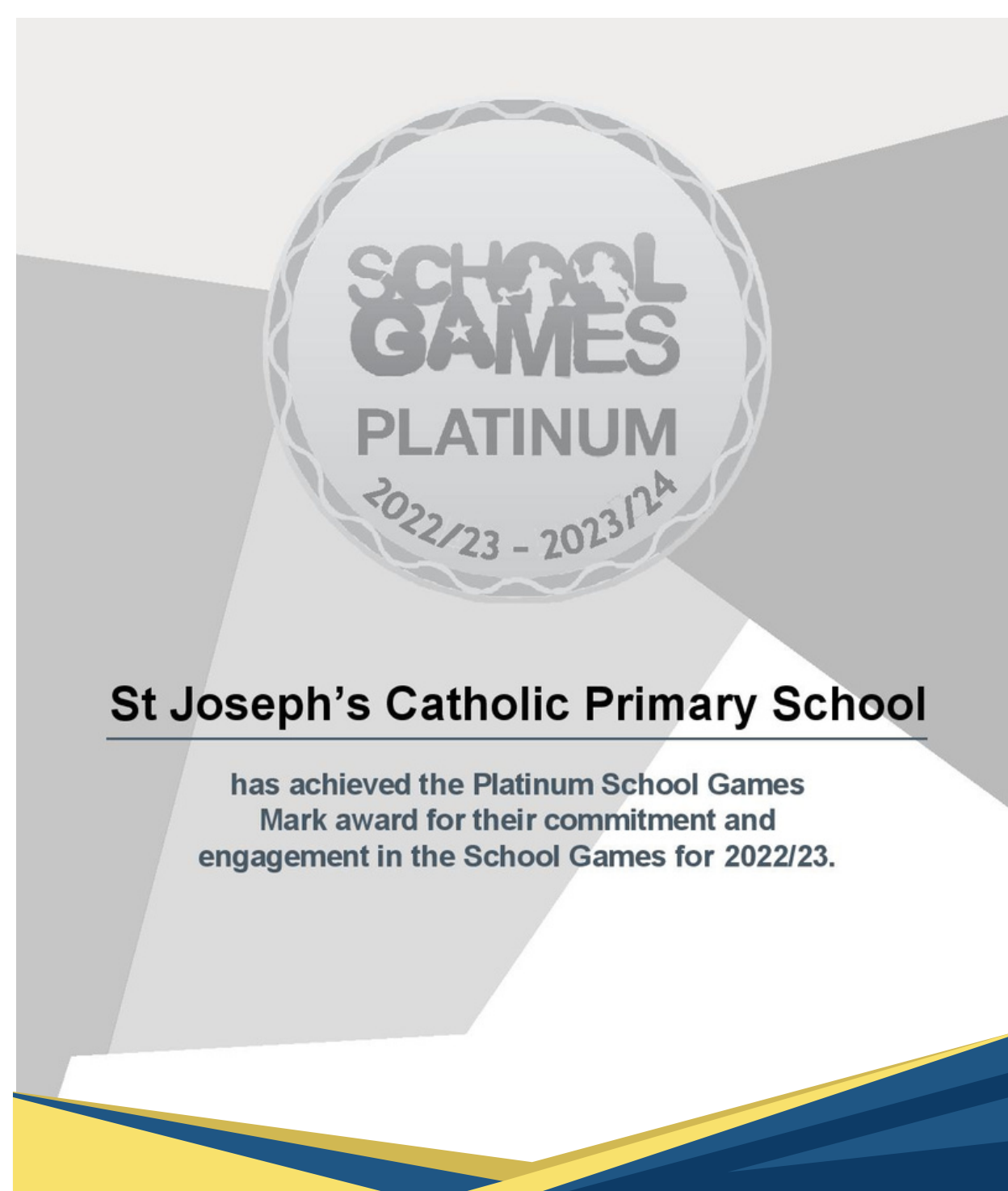
Year 6 Teaching Assistants: Mrs McCarthy, Mrs Thomas.

OWLS: Mrs Crook and Mrs Richards

We also have an amazing team of Learning Support Staff supporting children across the school: Mrs Alderson, Mrs Dunleavy, Mrs Cain, Mr Gidman, Ms Simmonds, Mrs Foote and Ms Kenny.

We've gone Platinum!

We are delighted to announce that St Joseph's has been awarded the Platinum School Games Mark for our commitment and engagement in the School Games for the 2022/2023 academic year! The School Games Mark is a Government-led awards scheme launched in 2012 to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community. St Joseph's has achieved the Platinum School Games Mark after 5 years of retaining the Gold Mark. We are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, and delighted that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year. Well done to all of our children and we look forward to applying again in 2024!

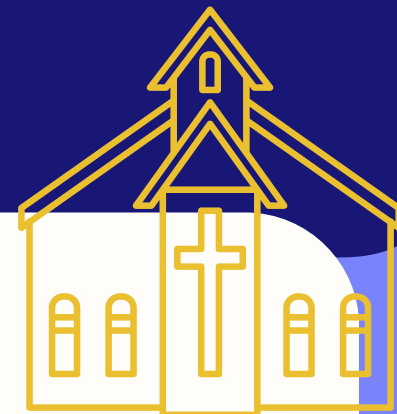


Y6 Avon Tyrrell



Year 6 had the best week on their residential at Avon Tyrrell a couple of weeks ago. Some of the activities that they did during the week were climbing, mountain biking, kayaking and high ropes, which they loved. Paddleboarding and the zipwire were firm favourites though. The children were a pleasure to take as they were well-behaved, they slept well (to the relief of the adults!) and just loved life that week! Thank you to all the adults who helped make it the best week for the children and one that they will hopefully never forget.

SCHOOL LIFE



Safeguarding

DORSET YOUTH WEBSITE

Please see a link below to the Dorset Youth site which holds a wealth of information about resources and help for young people in the Dorset and BCP areas. It has been designed by young people for young people.

[Dorset Youth's Homepage](#)

EDAS PARENTING COURSE

This free 4-week course supports parents, grandparents, and carers to create a positive home environment that promotes family wellbeing. Each week they will tackle a related topic and set SMART goals to build towards increased confidence and peace of mind when dealing with family issues.

Please email mindy.bartlett@edasuk.org or call 07921471610 for enrolment form and joining link.

ST JOSEPH'S ONLINE SAFETY

As always, parents can read our monthly e-safety newsletters to provide you with the most current issues surrounding online safety which will ultimately keep our children safe. Read the newsletters on our school website: www.stjosephs.dorset.sch.uk

Parish updates

June has been a very busy month with First Holy Communion and the Year 6 from St Joseph's spending a Retreat Day at St Joseph's Church.

Upcoming dates at a glance:

Family Mass - Sunday 2nd July at 9am

Come and join us for our monthly Family Mass and we also welcome the First Holy Communion children who will be receiving their certificates! We look forward to seeing you there - and don't forget there'll be doughnuts in the Parish Centre after Mass.

End of Term Celebration - Friday 21st July Mass at 6pm

The school year has flown by so let's celebrate all our achievements (and the start of the summer break of course!) We will start with Mass at 6pm and the move into the Parish Centre afterwards for a Bring & Share supper. A sign up sheet will be in the porch so we know roughly how many people are coming and what you are able to bring along. Everyone is welcome to come along.

Youth Clubs - 7th July

Juniors: 5pm-6.30pm / Seniors: 7pm - 9pm

This is our last session before the Summer break so come along and join us! Don't forget that you need to book for the juniors by contacting Emma by emailing familiesandyouth@icsj.org.uk

Important Dates

EVENT	DATE
Year 1 Trip to Beaulieu	Wednesday 5th July
Meet the Teacher morning	Thursday 6th July
Year 6 Leavers' Mass	Thursday 6th July
Review Morning - Parents invited	Friday 7th July
QDOS St Peter's uniform sale	Tuesday 11th July
Year 6 Leavers' Play - 1.30pm & 6pm	Thursday 13th July
School Reports home to parents	Friday 14th July
Year 6 Leavers' Assembly - 2pm	Tuesday 18th July

INSET Days 2023

Friday 1st September 2023, Monday 9th October 2023,
Monday 27th November 2023

**LUNCH
TIME**

Lunchtime help

We are looking for a dynamic lunchtime supervisor to join our friendly team and support the children whilst eating their lunch as well as leading/supervising activities in the playground/field. The duties for this post will start at 11.30am and finish at 1.25pm.

Main job role:

To ensure the safety, general welfare and conduct of pupils during the midday break period. Assistance is also given to school and catering staff with basic cleaning and general duties in and around dining areas.

Our school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. Rigorous checks will be made of the successful applicant's background credentials, including enhanced DBS checks. If you are interested in joining our team, please email the school office at admin@stjosephs.dorset.sch.uk

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