

January 2015

Welcome back to the spring term and a very Happy New Year to you all. I know the Christmas holidays are somewhat in the past and the year is galloping on. We have had a good start to the term and look forward to building on the good progress made last term. The school continues to work on developing children's writing skills and to encourage and develop a love of reading. We will be meeting with parents again in March at the next round of parents meetings and I hope you will take the opportunity to look at the progress being made particularly in writing. As always we ask that parents have high expectations of their children and ensure homework and reading tasks are completed to a good standard. Learning of spellings and multiplication facts are equally important and provide good foundations to children's learning. We have recently reviewed the homework policy and all children are receiving regular homework. If you are unsure about homework please ask your child's class teacher.

Job advertisement on behalf of Homecare

Do you have a passion to help others are you committed kind and reliable, do you want to make a real difference in your local community in providing support to adults and the elderly? Then Westminster Homecare wants to hear from you! We are currently recruiting for Home Carers full and part time roles- with excellent rates of pay free certificated in house training with flexible working patterns with in the Croydon Borough. Please contact Nadia on 02086769470

Expansion of St Joseph's to 3FE (three forms of entry)

As you will have read in the letter from Mrs Jones, our Chair of Governors, Croydon is no longer going to expand the school. Thank you to all parents for their input and patience during the consultation period. I am a firm believer that things happen for a reason. We will continue to look at other ways in which we can address some of the space issues we have across the two schools.

Applications for Nursery Classes April 2014 and September 2015

Please note we are still accepting applications for Nursery for April and September. We accept children from age 3, the term after they turn 3. Please check with Mrs McLeary in the infant office and request an application form.

Changes to before and after school routines in the junior school

Thank you to parents for completing forms with regard to pick up arrangements for the junior children. It is important that we know how children go home in the afternoon. We would encourage parents to come into the school and collect children from the junior playground. Please note the junior children should not be on the playground earlier than 8:40am. The door is open at 8:45 and children should go straight into class.

Weather

Should the bad weather hit:

Please use our website for updates in addition to this the school are participating in the Open Check scheme, our school number is 306 3412, you can phone 020 8408 7508 and key in the school number to check the open status of the school or go to www.croydon.gov.uk, we will put a link on our website as well. If you are unsure please use these methods rather than calling the office as lines become engaged.

Holidays and Absences from school

Please note that we are no longer able to authorise any holidays during term time. We could use some sort of discretion in the past, this is no longer the case. Any holidays will be marked down as unauthorised and you could be subject to a fine. Please do not ask because you will be offended when your request is turned down. Prolonged illness and regular illness will need to be supported by a doctor's note/letter.

Teams

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Juniors

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Newsletter

Headteacher: Mrs Tamsyn Lawlor
The Federation of St. Joseph's Catholic Junior,
Infant and Nursery Schools



St Sebastian team will celebrate their feast day on Tuesday 20th January 2015. However their assembly will be on Friday 23rd January.

Class assemblies:

Juniors

9:15am - Friday 23rd January - 6C
9:15am - Friday 30th January - 6P
9:15am- Friday 6th February - 4L
9:15am- Friday 13th February - 5T
9:15am- Friday 6th February - 4L
9:15am- Friday 27th February - 4H

Infants

9.15am - Tuesday 10th February - Class O
9:15am - Tuesday 24th February - Class J
9:15am- Tuesday 10th March - Class S
9:15am - Tuesday 24th March - Class E

Forthcoming events

13 th February 2015	Break up
23 rd February	School back
2 nd March - 6 th March	Book Week Infant and Junior Schools World Book Day 5th March - dress up day
Tuesday 17 th and Thursday 19 th March 2015	Parents evenings N- Y6
19 th March	St Joseph's Day
27th March	Break up 2pm
13 th April	School back

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