

The Federation of St Joseph's Junior, Infant and Nursery Schools

'Together We Can, With Christ By Our Side'



Summer 1 2023 Newsletter

Dear Parents / Carers

We are very pleased with how well our Year 4s have grown both as learners and as individuals during the Spring Term 2 and we look forward to teaching and supporting them throughout this coming Summer Term 1.

Our main focus for this term will be preparing for the Multiplication Tables Check (MTC) in June. The purpose of the check is to determine whether your child can fluently recall their times tables up to 12, which is essential for future success in mathematics. It will also help us to identify if your child may need any additional support. It is an on-screen check consisting of 25 times table questions. Your child will be able to answer 3 practice questions before taking the actual check. They will then have 6 seconds to answer each question. On average, the check should take no longer than 5 minutes to complete. You do not need to do anything additional to prepare your child for the check. All we ask is that you practice the Times Tables with your child. Please use [timestables.co.uk](https://www.timestables.co.uk), as it is very similar to the original times tables test.

Some other reminders, please remember the following:

- Homework is set on a Friday and should be returned by Wednesday.
- Please read regularly with your child at home and ensure the reading record is signed and returned to school on Wednesday with homework.
- PE is on Friday afternoons and pupils should arrive in their PE kits. No earrings please!
- The class reading journal gets sent home at the end of the week with one child. Please ensure it is returned on either Monday or Tuesday the following week.

Please make sure you use Purple Mash, to further support their knowledge and understanding of the topics taught in school.

Once again, thank you for your continued support with your child's learning. It is important we keep working together to help your child make as much progress as they can. If you have any questions, remember that we are here to support you and your children.

If you need to speak to a teacher, you should do so by emailing the appropriate email address below:

year4@st-josephs-jun.croydon.sch.uk

Key Dates	
Mon 15 th – Fri 19 th May 2023	Science Week
Thursday 18 th May 2023	Trip to Chislehurst Caves

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If you would like to volunteer for any of our school trips, please do let either Miss Melo or Miss Arthur know as soon as possible.

Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to next term.

Kind Regards,
The Year 4 Team