



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

## 'Together We Can'

### Spring 2022 Newsletter

Dear Year 6,

Happy New Year! We hope you enjoyed a wonderful, restful Christmas break.

Welcome to our busiest term. This is the time to really focus on all areas of learning in preparation for the SATs. Please continue to encourage the children to focus on their basic skills in Maths, and discuss their books with them while they read to you. This term goes quickly as we need to fit as much in as possible, to give the children everything they need to be focussed and prepared for their SATs.

This half term brings great new topics for the pupils. Our focus for the next 6 weeks will be:

RE: Jesus, the Bread of Life

Science: Living things and their habitats

History: Vikings

Computing: Spreadsheets

PE: Cross Country

Art: Mixed media collages - Painted paper

Some of the pupils will be invited to come in for Early Morning Booster sessions, with a focus on Basic Skills and problem solving, understanding reasoning questions. There was a positive impact on all children attending last term's early morning booster sessions. They made good progress not only with their learning, but their confidence in answering SATs based Maths questions.

Homework will be given out on a Friday in the yellow homework book and should be returned by the following Wednesday in order to be marked. We will be continuing to set 'Time to Write' homework based on relevant topics covered in school and current affairs. Maths homework will either be an investigation or activities set on ATOM. Please make sure the children let us know if their login doesn't work. It is the same as last years'.

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I am pleased to share that we have additional staff working with Year 6 and our team comprises Mrs Philips, Mrs Winters, Mrs Lopeman, Mrs Burgess, Ms Woodhouse and Mrs De Jesus.

We have an open door policy and are happy to answer any of your questions, or direct you to someone who can, but ask that you contact us either at the end of the day at 3.15 p.m. or call the office to arrange a mutually convenient time to meet. Key information can also be found on the school website, school app (Weduc) and Google Classroom. You can also contact us via the Year 6 email: [year6@st-josephs-jun.croydon.sch.uk](mailto:year6@st-josephs-jun.croydon.sch.uk)

This is an important time for your child as they prepare for the final terms leading up to SATS. Attendance and punctuality is important so please ensure your child is in class by 8.40 a.m. or by 8.15 a.m. if they are attending Booster classes.

We will be holding parent/teacher contact meetings early in the spring term before we break up for the half term holidays. Details will be shared with you when we return.

Yours sincerely,

The Year 6 Team.

Key Dates	
TBC	Chocolate Factory Visit
06/02/23 - 09/02/23	Wellbeing Week
23/03/23	Wellbeing Day
29/03.23	SJF Market - 3.15 - 4.15

Homework – <b>Set on a Friday and expected in the following Wednesday</b>
<b>Reading:</b> Half an hour minimum every day. (Please ensure books are brought in each day.)

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**English:** Written task (1-page minimum)

**Maths:** Investigation or Atom Learning task.