



Autumn Term Newsletter

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Dear Parents

Welcome to this week's newsletter.

Firstly, we say goodbye to one of the oldest members of staff this week, Mrs Feury, who is retiring to spend more time with her family. Mrs Feury has been a member of staff at St Margaret's for 28 years and she will be greatly missed by both staff and children. I am sure you will all join me in thanking Mrs Feury for her hard work and commitment over the years and wishing her a very happy retirement.

Secondly, we had two great assemblies this week; on Tuesday, the Year 6 children presented an assembly about the Black History Month and its importance in our society. On Wednesday, we had another great assembly about Healthy Eating and the importance of a nutritionally balanced diet. The assembly was organised by Chartwells, who are the providers of our school dinners. The children were treated to a Ready, Steady Cook competition which was won By Mrs Baalla's team.

Year 5 and Year 3 were treated to sessions where they learned about the process of bread making and baked their very own fresh loaves of bread which they got to take home. These activities are all part of our big focus on healthy eating and healthy lifestyle. There will be more activities to come in the near future. On the subject of healthy eating, please ensure that you child has a piece of fruit or vegetable for their snack at break time.

Next, we have been working on the school's new website and are hoping to launch it next week. There will be more information about this coming your way. In addition, will be holding a curriculum evening for the parents where we will show the new website as well as the new and updated home learning resources to support your child's learning at home.

Please can you ensure that your child has their winter coat with them. The weather is turning cold and damp and some children do not have warm coats. As school uniform is expensive, we ask that you make sure your child knows where his or her name is on his or her coat and any other items of uniform. We get items of lost property and a lot of it without names. As long as the name is on the clothes, it can be returned to the child. May I remind you that the school coat needs to be plain navy or black.

Can I please remind parents to ensure their child has a full PE kit in school at all times. PE is a compulsory part of the curriculum so I would also like to remind parents that all children are expected to take part in sessions. The only exception is with the express instructions of a doctor.

Finally, I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who brought money last week to support St Joseph's School families after the fire at their school. A total of £450.00 was raised. This is a testimony of the wonderful and supportive community we have and how well we pull together to support each other in the hour of need.

Have a great weekend and thank you for your continued support.

Mrs McSperrin
Head Teacher

☺ Children who have been awarded certificates ☺

1 Kieran, Casimier

2 Abigail, Alek

3 Denisa, Harvey

4 Julia, Gaby

5 Jack, Cieszyn

6 Dan, Alek

FRIENDS MEETING

FRIDAY 6TH NOVEMBER 8.45AM

THANK YOU

A VERY BIG THANK YOU TO THE PARENT WHO HANDED IN A DIAMOND RING EARLIER THIS WEEK. THIS BELONGED TO A MEMBER OF STAFF AND SHE IS VERY GRATEFUL TO YOU. CAN YOU PLEASE POP INTO THE OFFICE SO SHE CAN THANK YOU PERSONALLY.

School website address is as follows:-
www.clitherow.brent.sch.uk

FORTHCOMING DATES

19-23 Oct	Y6 Gordon Brown Centre
6 Nov	Friends meeting 8.45am
10 Nov	School Photographer in
9 & 16 Nov	Open evening
1 Dec	Advent Liturgies
2 Dec	Y5 Westminster Cathedral Carol Service
11 Dec	Christmas fayre

CARPARKING

Please do not park illegally or across any of our neighbours drives or up on the kerbs. It is important that you take care when dropping and collecting your child to school.

BIKES AND SCOOTERS

PLEASE DO NOT LET YOUR CHILD RIDE THEIR BIKE OR SCOOTER ON SCHOOL GROUNDS. SOME PARENTS HAVE COMPLAINED ABOUT THEM RUNNING INTO THE BACK OF THEIR LEGS.

LETTERS & MONEY

PLEASE CAN YOU ENSURE THAT ANY MONIES YOU BRING INTO THE OFFICE FOR DINNERS OR TRIPS FOR EXAMPLE, ARE PUT INTO **ENVELOPES WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME, YEAR** AND WHAT IT IS FOR.

PLEASE NOTE THAT WE DO NOT HAVE THE FACILITY TO GIVE CHANGE. MONEY IS BANKED ON A WEEKLY BASIS.