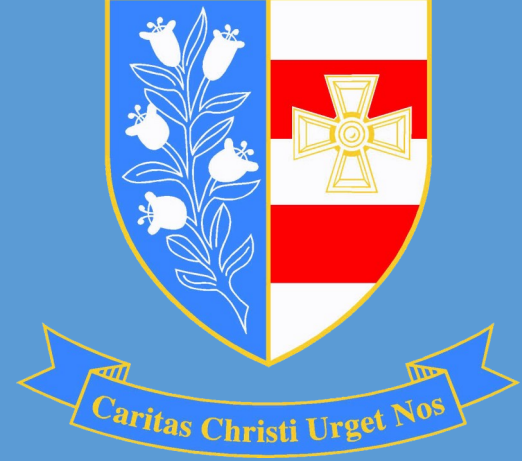


Transition Newsletter

Edition 2



Welcome from Mrs Hammill, Deputy Headteacher (Pastoral)

I hope this newsletter finds you and your families well. Following our first newsletter last week we have been really delighted to hear from so many of you. Some of you have been in touch with your answers to the quiz questions regarding our virtual school tour; some of you have shared your responses to our Faith Challenge. Please continue to send in any questions you have and we will get back to you! We have been busy in school this week getting ready for students in Year 10 and 12 returning to school and I know many of you are also returning to school, good luck! This week we are sharing a video where key staff introduce themselves and tell you a little bit about their role in school and how they will support you, hopefully this will help you get to know us a bit better. All our videos can be found on our school website: <http://www.stjosephs.uk.net/school-life/transition/>

Take care, Mrs Hammill

Literacy Riddle

What am I?

Every dawn begins with me.
At dusk I'll be the first you see.
And daybreak couldn't come
without.
What midday centres all
about.
But in the sun I won't be
found,
yet everyday I'll be around.



Meet the Pastoral Team

This week you will find there is a new video in the Transition section of the school website - the key members of the Pastoral Team introduce themselves.

Science

GROW YOUR OWN RAINBOW AT HOME SCIENCE EXPERIMENT

YOU WILL NEED:

- KITCHEN ROLL/TOILET ROLL
- PAPER CLIP
- FELT-TIP PENS
- STRING
- 2 BOWLS/ CUPS OF WATER



Cut your kitchen roll into the shape of a rainbow, at each end colour in the colours of the rainbow about 2cm from the bottom of the paper, attach your paperclip and thread to the top of the paper to hold your rainbow, dip the ends of the paper into the bowls of water and watch the rainbow grow.



This week: Monday 8th June is World Ocean day. The world takes a moment to celebrate its ocean and reflect on how to best to protect them. This year there is a focus on calling for world leaders to commit to protecting 30% of our oceans by 2030. There's a hope that if this happens it'll help combat climate change and protect marine biodiversity.

What other Science in the news articles have you read this week?

FAITH

from Mr Young, Curriculum Leader for RE

If you could only ever have one more meal with your family, what would you choose? I don't imagine many of you picking bread and wine as your choice! But that's exactly what Jesus chose to eat with the people who he loved the most the night before his arrest and crucifixion. Why? Well in Jesus' day bread and wine were things that everyone ate—the rich and the poor, the young and the old, those who kept all God's rules and those who didn't. When Jesus called himself the Bread of Life he is saying that anyone who wants a relationship with God is welcome and that anyone who has faith in Him can be saved. Just as bread is eaten by everyone, His love, grace and salvation are all open and available to us all. Have a watch of this great clip about Jesus' Last Supper which we remember every time we receive communion at Mass.

In this week's Gospel Jesus says 'whoever eats my body and drinks my blood shall have eternal life' so this week we give thanks that God wants each and everyone of us to share in the gift of eternal life. It doesn't matter who we are, what we have done or where we are from—God loves each and everyone of us and wants to deepen our relationship with Him.



Lord, today we pray to thank you for giving up yourself so that we might share in eternal life with you.

Lord, thank you for loving each one of us and help us to open our hearts to a deeper relationship with you.

Amen.



Get creative competition challenge!

This week, your faith based competition challenge is to design and create your very own **religious superhero**.

You should:

- Draw and label your religious superhero
- Give your religious superhero an awesome name.
- Describe the amazing superpowers your religious superhero would have.
- Write a short story about your religious superhero.

Please send all entries to YoungA@stjosephs.uk.net and we will share some of the entries in the next edition. God bless and good luck!

A prayer from Joseph, Year 6, St Aloysius

At this time of darkness we all need faith. We pray that healing will fill our world and our hearts. We ask you Lord to give faith to those who feel sad and upset at this time. We ask Lord that you comfort and strengthen them as you did at Pentecost. Amen

Lucas, Year 6 at St Aloysius sent these photos in to show 'What faith means to him'. Here he is helping his little



brother with his numbers. Well done Lucas!



GRATITUDE PROMPTS

1. A **strength** of mine for which I am grateful is...
2. Something **money** can't buy that I'm grateful for is...
3. Something that **comforts me** that I'm grateful for is...
4. Something that's **funny** for which I'm grateful for is...
5. Something **in nature** that I'm grateful for is...
6. A **memory** I'm grateful for is....
7. Something that **changes** that I'm grateful for is....
8. A **challenge** I'm grateful for is....
9. Something **interesting** that I'm grateful for is...
10. Something **beautiful** I'm grateful for is...

Puzzle Corner

Can you solve the Numeracy puzzle?

Each week you will find a new Numeracy puzzle. The solutions will be provided in the next newsletter.

On a ski lift the chairs are equally spaced. They are numbered in order from 1.

Kelly went skiing. She got in chair 10 to go to the top of the slopes.



Exactly half way to the top, she passed chair 100 on its way down.

How many chairs are there on the ski lift?



Last weeks solution: All three heels will be in line at 30. Little has taken 15 steps, Middle has taken 10 steps and Big has taken 6 steps



Get involved: be a star of our virtual transition programme

Students:

We would love you to be involved in one of our future transition videos.

What do you need to do?

Record a short video telling us a little bit about yourself and asking one question that you have about coming to St Joseph's.

We need to know - **your first name (only)**

What your primary school is called

Something about you—a talent you have or a hobby you do

What is the best thing you have done in lockdown?

A question do you want us to answer about St Joseph's.

Where do I send the video to?

Ask you parent/carer to send your video to whytea@stjosephs.uk.net.

Parents:

By sending your child's video you are giving us permission to use it on our school website.

What will we do:

We will ask a member of our staff to answer your question on video also. The videos will all be put together to make a Q&A (Questions and Answers) recording. This will then be uploaded to our school website.

