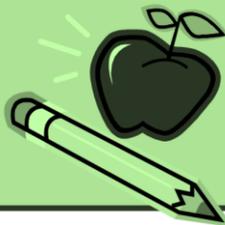




Newsletter



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St Joseph's Convent School Newsletter

St Joseph's Open Day - Thursday 4th July

I was delighted to see so many of you at yesterday's Open Day. It was a lovely opportunity for you to share with your daughters their work and experiences from the past year at school. Thank you for sharing so much positive feedback and acknowledging the hard work of both the children and the staff.



Lawn Bowls



All classes have enjoyed a new experience this week! The girls participated in a morning of specialized tuition, match play and games. The weather was beautiful and the children represented the school beautifully. Photos for your enjoyment will be on the school website.



Important Safeguarding WhatsApp

As of May 2018, WhatsApp's **minimum age of use is 16 years old** if you live in the European Union, or a country that has adopted the GDPR, as the UK has. It was previously 13. Parents have parental responsibility for monitoring their children's mobiles and their social media presence in all forms and if it is inappropriate to take action. If your daughter reports an issue to you they are following their online safety training and reporting it to a responsible adult. Please support and teach them how to be safe and use it correctly. If they are not 16 they should not be allowed to use it!

Nursery & Infants 1 to Victoria Park

Today, Infants 1 and Nursery enjoyed a sunny day in Victoria Park. They travelled on the underground, accompanied by school staff and parent helpers. A fabulous day was had by all and the excitement prior to departure was palpable, and that was just from the adults!

Congratulations & well done to our musicians, who have worked so hard for their music exams, which took place today.

Mission Statement

We are a Mercy School
We live and work together,
as Jesus taught us,
spreading his loving friendship
to everyone we meet

This week's attendance

Nursery	100%
Infants 1	100%
Infants 2	99%
Infants 3	100%
Prep 1	97%
Prep 2	98%
Prep 3	99%
Prep 4	98%

Introducing the new school Rucksack

When we return in September, all Prep girls are required to purchase the Junior Rucksack to form part of their school uniform. The bag is available to order from your SchoolMoney account 'Shop' tab and will be delivered to your daughter on the first day of term. Please note that only one dangly keyring will be permitted!

Infants and Nursery children are also encouraged to purchase the Infant Rucksack, which will be used for school trips and other outdoor pursuits.



Road Safety

There was very nearly an accident earlier this week, caused by a parent stopping on a double yellow line on Cambridge Road. Please can parents make sure you abide by the rules of the road to ensure the safety of everyone. Thank you.



Car Share

If any parents might be willing to share school journeys between St Joseph's and Loyola School in Buckhurst Hill next term, kindly let Mrs Lennard know.

Reminders & Diary Dates

Next week is the final week for ALL clubs, including Premier Sports & Science Club. Our usual before and after school club will continue throughout the final week (no afterschool club on the last day of term), Friday 19th July.

On **Wednesday 10th July**, the whole school will be visiting Frinton on Sea. We plan to return before the end of the school day, and our normal before and after school club will be available.

Friday 12th July - as per our schedule of dates, Prep 4 parents are politely reminded of the Leaver's Assembly, which will take place at 9.10am. There will be no Achievement Assembly on that date.

Supporting Nature - Butterfly Release

Infants 3, having observed the scientific life process of butterflies, brought it to a wonderful conclusion today. They asked the Sisters in the Convent if they would like to join them for the butterfly release. The request was much appreciated and the girls were invited into the Convent's tranquil garden. It was the perfect setting and thoroughly enjoyed by all.



A restful weekend

Please be sure to have a restful weekend. The girls appear to be weary, so let them relax and recoup, as we still have two more busy weeks ahead! **Mrs Birtles**