



# The Communicator

Friday 28th May 2021

Tel: (01782) 235393

[www.stjosephscatholicacademy.co.uk](http://www.stjosephscatholicacademy.co.uk)



Best attending class last week were Nursery at 98.4 %

As we reach the end of another half term, I would like to congratulate all of our lovely children on their hard work over the last few weeks. I have been particularly impressed with the children's attitude to their learning and their determination to do their best as I have visited classrooms this week. As well as improving their skills in the classroom, the children have also been working hard to improve their fitness levels during break times and PE lessons. Well done to all KS2 pupils who have taken part in city virtual cross country athletics and football competitions this half term. Thank you to all of the sports leaders who have helped to run the football competition during their lunchtimes. Well done to everyone who improved and a special congratulations to Joseph Esposito in year 4 who has made the most improvement in his cross country time. He has won passes to Ninja Warrior in Hanley.

### Careers in school

Many thanks to those parents who have volunteered to talk to the children about their job during our Careers event next half term. If you feel able to share with the children a little information about your job, please do contact us and your help will be greatly appreciated.

### Covid restrictions

Thank you to all those families who continue to follow our Covid safety measures. I appreciate that national restrictions are gradually lifting and our precautions can be a little inconvenient at times. However, wearing a face covering on school grounds and following the one way system are essential for everyone's safety.

**Please do not walk from Year 1 or Year 2 past the office and across to the car park.**

Goodbye and good luck to Mrs Moran and Mrs Lahey who take up new posts after half term. We thank them for all that they have done for our school and wish them well in their futures.

### Lateral flow and PCR tests

Please remember that government guidance states that lateral flow tests (which give a result within 30 minutes) should not be used on children or anyone with a cough, temperature or loss of taste or smell. If your child has a cough, temperature or loss of taste or smell, they must take a PCR test at a testing centre or order a PCR test for home delivery. We appreciate that this can be frustrating with children who are prone to minor illnesses which present with a cough. However, our priority always has been and remains the health of our children, staff and families.

### Positive Cases

If your child develops a cough, high temperature or loss of taste or smell or tests positive for Covid 19 during the half term holiday, please advise us immediately by emailing [stjoseph@sjnewman.co.uk](mailto:stjoseph@sjnewman.co.uk)

## WOW award



Nursery - *Emmy-Rae Taylor*  
Reception - *Cody Meredith*  
Year 1 - *Abbie Green*  
Year 2 - *Braxton Klebukowski*  
Year 3 - *Leo Wiltshaw*  
Year 4 - *Emily Barcroft*  
Year 5 - *Bailey Sandbach*  
Year 6 - *Julius Ward*

## Values and Virtues

### (loving and compassionate)

Nursery - *Cody SZ-Balla*  
Reception - *Leon Owen*  
Year 1 - *Skylar Statham*  
Year 2 - *Ayaan Abdul*  
Year 3 - *Joseph Esposito*  
Year 4 - *Winnie Maughan*  
Year 5 - *Destiny Doherty*  
Year 6 - *Kathleen Quinn*

## Presentation award

(for presenting work to a very high standard)

Nursery - *George Rigby*  
Reception - *Aariz Raja*  
Year 1 - *Caleb Jenkinson*  
Year 2 - *Bonnie-Blue Braddock*  
Year 3 - *Sophia Allcock*  
Year 4 - *Blake Brotherton*  
Year 5 - *Arub Rehan*  
Year 6 - *Mary-Ann Potts*

You can follow us on Twitter! [@stjoegoldenhill](https://twitter.com/stjoegoldenhill)



**Please ensure that you supervise your children carefully before school starts and after you have collected them at home time to avoid accidents and other children being hurt. Children should not be playing on playground equipment after school- please support us by ensuring that your children stay with you after collection. Thank you.**

## Parking

Please consider signing the petition to enable Stoke on Trent City Council to debate options to make the road outside school safer and less congested at the start and end of the school day.

<http://www.moderngov.stoke.gov.uk/mgEPetitionDisplay.aspx?id=223>

## Before and After School Club

This week we have reviewed our Covid risk assessment for Breakfast and After School Club to take into account the updated guidance and local number of cases. From Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June, children from different bubbles will mix in Breakfast and After School Club. This will mean that children can take part in the usual range of activities as well as enjoying their breakfast or after school snack. Mrs Bradley will be leading Care Club from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June and she is eager to welcome the children and hear their ideas about what activities that they would like to do. If you would like your child to attend Breakfast or After School Club and they have previously attended, you can book them in on Scopay as usual. If your child has not attended before, please ask the office for a registration form.

## Holidays in term time

As the summer approaches, some families will be considering their holiday plans. We appreciate that families may feel that they need a holiday more than ever this year. However, please remember that term time holidays cannot be authorised and that all unauthorised holiday absence has to be referred on to Stoke on Trent Local Authority.

## PE AWARDS FOR SPRING TERM

### Nursery

Sofia Gromova  
Kieran Tramaloni

### Year 1

Lewis Price  
Lola Nixon

### Year 3

Morgan Viggars  
Leo Wiltshaw

### Year 5

Anya Wilshaw  
Finley Hoskins



### Reception

Lucas Barnett  
Amie Blackburn

### Year 2

Aiden Tramaloni  
Annteresa Reji

### Year 4

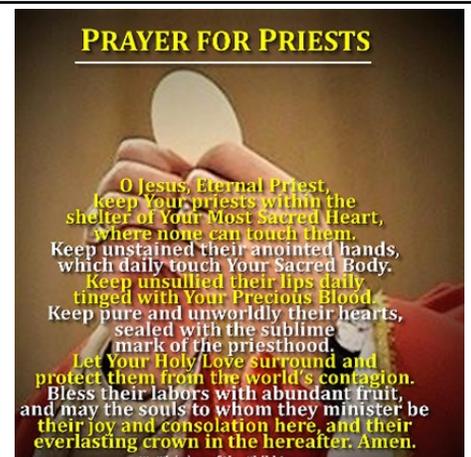
Luke Finnemore  
Bella Nixon

### Year 6

Ryan Murray  
Ronnie Gaunt

## Catholic life

Yesterday, Year Three celebrated Mass with Fr Julian. We celebrated the Feast of Jesus Christ the eternal Priest. Fr Julian helped the children to reflect upon the events of the Last Supper, the importance of the Eucharist at Mass and on the important and difficult role of priests today.



## Diary Dates

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June – school reopens to staff and children

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June – class and leavers photos

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June – Change 4 Life week including Sports Days. Unfortunately, parents are unable to attend Sports Days at the present time. We will, of course, advise you if this changes

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – End of year reports sent home to families

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July – Parents Evening for any parents who have questions about their child's report. Please note that this may be by telephone

## Happy Half Term

I wish all of our children and families an enjoyable half term. I hope that you are able to enjoy the promised improvement in the weather and the reduced Covid restrictions. I look forward to seeing you all on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> June.