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NEWSLETTER

Sharing the precious moments we spend together at St Joseph's...

We made it! When school re opened to all pupils on 8th March, our first aim was to keep all our children in school without any bubble closures. We succeeded! Thank you to all our children, staff and families for all your hard work to make sure St. Joseph's is a safe, secure and happy place to thrive! Over the last 7 weeks it has been a pleasure to see the smiley faces, listen to the laughter and conversations and see the children focussed on their learning. Being together and supporting one another is so important. Whilst school may not be fully 'normal' due to continuing restrictions we have made the very best of all opportunities. I wish you all a very happy half term break. I hope your family shares some quality time together and hopefully some relaxation time in the sun! We must also continue to remember that we are still in a pandemic and therefore must continue to follow the guidance and keep safe and stop the spread of Covid. My best wishes to you all!

Mrs Wood

Church & Faith News

Last week we celebrated Pentecost and we pray that the Holy Spirit guides and supports our children who are preparing for the sacrament of First Holy Communion which takes place on Monday 5th July (Year 4) and Tuesday 6th July (Year 5) at 6.30pm. The First Holy Communion "Breakfast" is Wednesday 7th July in the afternoon at school—not quite a breakfast but very special for all the children! Congratulations to all our Year 6 children who were confirmed early in May by Canon Firth at St. Joseph's. It was a very special night for their families. Thank you to our catechists who have supported them on this journey.



Canon Firth met with First Holy Communion families on MS Teams.



The Parish SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY provides help where it can for those struggling with poverty and loneliness. During Covid we have helped a few people by phoning them for a chat or providing a small grant to purchase essentials like school uniform etc. We can also refer people to the Food Bank, have access to some specialist funds and can sign post people to other areas where help may be provided. As things change we are acutely aware that the burdens placed on some families may change but that there will be those who need help and support in a variety of ways. If you think we can help please contact us through the school, by contacting Father Firth or by filling in the form on the national Website this is at - www.svp.org.uk - or on the parish website - click on "Our parish and Contacts" and open SVP for more information about the SVP.



Thank you Canon Firth for blessing our special Prayer Room.

'With Jesus at the centre of all we do and say'

We have got the Reading Bug at St Joseph's!



Bug Club is fun because I can use my iPad to read!

I like that you can get it on all devices and the stories are really fun and you can interact.

Bug Club is really fun with lots of books to read. You also get to do some quizzes about the book. You can pick whatever book you want. I read Mobile Fear, Astronomical Adventure and I am now reading How!

I like Bug Club because there's lots of books to read!

I read a book about the jungle and it was exciting and included sound effects on most pages telling you what it sounds like. It also allows you to read new books and has a lot of choices...

Bug Club is good and has many different books I can read. I like all the coins you can collect!

I like Bug Club because it lets you access books you might not have at home!

I really like the quizzes!

I like to do the tasks instead of just reading.

The book that I read was an adventure book. For me, that book was really convincing, so Bug Club is good for people who like adventures stories like me.

In Bug Club you can get to read amazing books that your teacher recommends. It's like Read Theory—but better! The questions are all different from each other. My most favourite of them all was Cinderella: The True Story.

Bug Club is really good to do in your spare time and you get to do a quiz at the end!

I like Bug Club because I don't have to change my book as soon as I have finished.

Don't miss out on the fabulous opportunities that await you when you sign into BUG CLUB!

Login details were sent via Class Dojo but please ask your class teacher if you need help accessing these amazing interactive books!

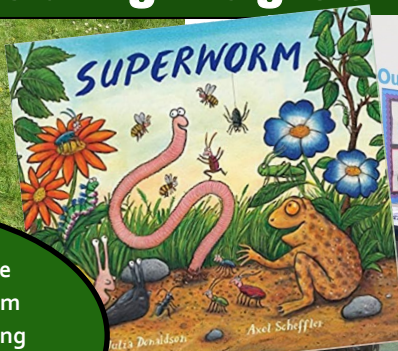


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We have got the Reading Bug at St Joseph's!



Class One children have been reading Superworm and have been re-enacting the story in their wonderful outdoor area!



Class 5 librarians have been fully trained to operate our new electronic cataloguing system.



Give A Book Charity kindly donated 28 copies of The 1000 Year Old Boy to school and Class 5 were thrilled to each receive an individual copy of their current class read!

All the children have been enjoying the outdoor reading area and choosing their own books from the reading shed.



'With Jesus at the centre of all we do and say'

We are all Times Tables Rockstars!



St. Joseph's Catholic Primary...
@StJosBarlick

Just look at this fabulous display from Miss Guirdham to excite our children to learn their timetables! TTRS is very supportive for children with their fast recall of times tables and builds stamina.

@TTRockStars Our children can set their goal and aim high! What an inspiration!

If you need help accessing TT Rock Stars please ask your class teacher (Year 2 and upwards only).

Times Tables Rock Stars is a carefully sequenced programme of daily times tables practice. Each week concentrates on a different times table, with a recommended consolidation week for rehearsing the tables that have recently been practised every third week or so. This format has very successfully boosted times tables recall speed for hundreds of thousands of pupils over the last 8 years in over 16,000 schools - both primary and secondary - worldwide!

Leaderboard

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Isabelle (Class 5) ROCK HERO 0.77 secs

2

Toby (Class 5) ROCK HERO 0.93 secs

3

Lucas (Class 4) ROCK HERO 1.00 secs

4

Robbie (Class 5) ROCK LEGEND 1.02 secs

'With Jesus at the centre of all we do and say'

Thank you Olaf The Beardless for delivering a fantastic Viking & Saxon experience, the children absolutely loved it! Thank you Mrs DeCarteret for arranging the event.

'With Jesus at the centre of all we do and say'



REMINDER

Don't forget to make your Before & After School Club bookings for after half-term

break as we need to know the number of children attending well in advance for food preparation. Miss Foster is settled in well and is now preparing delicious, warm snacks for the children each evening along with a toasted breakfast. If you would like to find out more about the clubs, please get in touch with Mrs Beech in the school office.



Please make sure that all your

ParentPay

dinner money accounts are paid and up to date.

DIARY DATES

FRIDAY 28TH MAY

SCHOOL CLOSSES for HALF TERM BREAK.

MONDAY 7TH JUNE

SCHOOL REOPENS

MONDAY 7TH TO WEDNESDAY 9TH JUNE

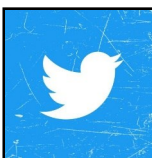
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FRIDAY 16TH JULY

SCHOOL CLOSSES FOR SUMMER
COLLECTION TIMES:

Please refer to the calendar and school
holiday dates on our school website:
www.st-josephs-barlick.lancs.sch.uk

If you have any queries
regarding items on the news-
letter please get in touch with
Mrs Wood (Head Teacher) or
Mrs De Carteret (Deputy Head)



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things we get up to
in school!

@StJosBarlick

COMING SOON!

LOOK OUT FOR
SOME EXCITING
NEWS ABOUT
UPCOMING
SCHOOL
TRIPS!



Expert talk for KS2
with Joe Foster,
the co-founder of
Reebok!



LetsLocalise

Our recent online raffle and quiz events were such good fun and helped us to raise funds to purchase special resources for our children to enhance their learning in school. We still need more families to get on board and help us to achieve this and urge you to visit the Let's Localise website and search for St Joseph's for details of future events. We would also welcome donations of prizes for events such as bingo and the quiz, we are so grateful for those we have received so far the wonderful prizes— they make the activities so much more exciting and rewarding! Through this initiative, children have also accessed expert talks and we have also received donated laptops and cooking aprons! There are so many opportunities and now we have reached Stage 2 on our journey with Let's Localise giving us access to even more opportunities to enhance learning in school!



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