



# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School



Statement to Live By: I know what humility means.

Dear Parent/Carer

We have made it to Easter! The last few weeks in school have been extremely busy for both children and staff and we can't believe how quick Easter has come round.

## Whole School Celebration of the Word

Prayer

As we journey through Holy Week,

Jesus, who walked to the Cross for us, invites us to journey with Him always.

He says:

Come walk with me

Come alongside.

See my love for you

as I take each stride.

Amen.

## Celebration of the Word

Thank you to all of the families and friends who supported our whole school Mass in Church for the feast of St. Joseph. The mass was a great celebration of St. Joseph, well done to all of the children who participated in reading and the offertory. The children's singing was, as always, amazing!

## Year 5

Year 5 enjoyed a fun afternoon at Sunderland Tennis Centre taking part in a dodgeball event. The children played some fast paced games of dodgeball and thoroughly enjoyed a lovely fitness afternoon.

## Year 1

Year 1 had a great afternoon at Sunderland Tennis Centre taking part in a multi sports event. All of the children gave 100%, we were so proud of you all.

## Parents Evening

Thank you to all parents for coming along to parents evening and meeting with class teachers. We appreciate your continued support.

## Year 1

Sadly, Miss Watson will be leaving us at Easter. We wish her every success in her future post, we know she will be amazing, just as she has been here at St. Joseph's.

### **Scholastic Book Fair**

Our annual book fair took place in March. Thank you to all parents and carers who attended with their children. The money raised from the book fair allows us to buy new books in school. All classes will benefit as new story books will be ordered for all age ranges and abilities in school.

### **Big Lent Walk**

Thank you to all families who joined us for the 'Big Lent Walk' on Tuesday. The rain didn't stop us, as we walked 1.5km around Washington village to raise money for CAFOD. Thank you to the friends of St. Joseph's who provided much needed refreshments in the parish rooms afterwards.

### **Journey Through Easter**

As we journey through to Easter, every class has learned about and recreated one aspect of the Easter story. The presentations were put together with a QR code and made available on the yard for parents to view during holy week. We hope you managed to view our school Easter story and agree the children made fantastic videos and certainly enhanced our understanding of the Easter story.

### **Year 6 Faith in Action**

Thank you to everyone who bought raffle tickets for our Easter raffle and to the staff for donating the eggs. The proceeds go to CAFOD. The excitement in the hall for the Easter raffle is one of the highlights of the year! Well done to all of the children who won.

### **Easter Disco**

We held our first Easter disco in school this week. Thank you to Cheryl and Stacey from Partyfunk for the disco. The Easter bunny made an appearance and great fun was had by all.

### **Times Tables Rock Stars**

Well done to all of our Rock Heroes in school. We now have 5 rock heroes from year 5 and year 6 who work hard on times tables rock star both at home and school. Who will be next?

### **Staff Shout Out!**

We are introducing a staff shout out on our newsletter to acknowledge the wonderful staff in school who go above and beyond and work hard for all of the children. All of our staff are fantastic so it's going to be difficult to choose each time! This week's staff shout out is for **Mrs Hughes** in Nursery. Thank you for arranging the journey through Easter, co-ordinating the videos for parents and facilitating our Lentern walk.

### **After school clubs**

After school clubs will resume on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April, please look out for a letter which will have details of clubs available in the summer term. You will be able to sign your child up through Arbor.

May I take this opportunity to thank you all for your support during this term. I wish you and all of your family a peaceful, restful and happy Easter. God Bless.

Mrs E Maher