



# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

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Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2016

Dear Parents/Carers,

## A message from the Headteacher

Many thanks to Year 5 who led a wonderful Harvest Mass this morning in Church. It is always lovely to come together and celebrate as a school and parish and it was a fitting way to end the half term. A BIG thank you also to the FOSJ and Mr Lythgoe for all their efforts at the Halloween disco's on Wednesday, your support and hard work is greatly appreciated. The children had a fantastic time!

## Dates for your diary

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2016 and Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2016 - 3.40pm - 6.30pm - Parents Evening**

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2016 - Inspire session for Reception parents/carers - 1.30pm

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2016 - Year 2 visit to Tesco (Farm to Fork)

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2016 - Year 6 Remembrance Assembly - 9.05am - parents/carers are very welcome to join us

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2016 - FOSJ Bags to school

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2016 - FOSJ Race Night - from 7.00pm

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2016 - Open Day - 9.30am - 5.30pm

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2016 - Year 3 Promises Assembly - 9.05am - parents/carers are very welcome to join us

## Team points winners for this week are the Blue Whales

## This weeks' Superstars/Lunchtime Friday Top Table

A very big well done to the following children who have been making an extra special effort, been a credit to themselves and have earned the most team points for their classes this week. **As an added bonus 'Top Table' winners will earn an extra ten points for their team!!**

**Reception** - Alfie Lowe

**Year One** - Tawana Chikombe

**Year Two** - Noah Hillidge

**Year Three** - Tom Haslam

**Year Four** - Oscar Lythgoe

**Year Five** - Maddie Andrews

**Year Six** - Damien Moss

**All extra Curricular Clubs bar rugby AND Premier Sports Tag Rugby will begin week beginning 7<sup>th</sup> November 2016 unless stated otherwise in an individual letter**

Tuesday - Rugby training

Wednesday - Year 1/2 Tag Rugby

Friday - Rugby match against Leigh CE - HOME

## Sports Results

### 'Quicksticks' Hockey

Congratulations to both of our fantastic Hockey teams who performed so well last Thursday as they came first and second respectively in the 'Quicksticks' competition. Mrs Ganley was very impressed with the teamwork on show, their determination and skill they showed in defeating teams from St Gabriel's, Bedford Hall Methodist, Westleigh St Paul's and X11 Apostles. The winning team will now go through to finals night where they will compete against winning schools from Hindley, Lowton and Golborne. Good luck team!

### 'Quicksticks' Finals Night - GOLD MEDAL WINNERS

Wow! What a performance from the hockey team on Monday night as they remained unbeaten during finals night winning 4 of their 5 games as they qualified for the Greater Manchester Games in March in style. Being crowned champions of Wigan East is a magnificent achievement and the players should be so proud of their achievements. We most definitely are. Congratulations to Jack, Lewis, Scarlett, Maddie, Christian and Noah. Superstars in the making!

### Rugby Gilded Hollins 8 - 24 St Joseph's

The school rugby team recorded their first win of the season last Friday with a very impressive performance away against Gilded Hollins. Solid in defence and clinical attack we were ahead within the first minute and this was a lead that we never relinquished. Lewis Thrush starred in the game with a magnificent 4 try burst and he was named joint player of the match with Noah Woods who made a very bright return to the side with some good 'dummy half' play and strong tackling. Captain Jack Purtill scored our other two tries.

## Just Giving

Owen Waudby in Year 5 is currently growing his hair to raise money for 'The Little Princess Trust' and 'The Christie'. At St Joseph's we are very proud of our children and their selfless and well meaning actions and Owen typifies this. If anybody would like to donate then there is a page set up. Many thanks. [www.justgiving.co.uk/owen-waudby](http://www.justgiving.co.uk/owen-waudby).

## October Half term

**School closes for half term Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2016 and re-opens Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2016**

**FOSJ Bonus Ball: £50.00 Rollover Prize** - Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2016 - Bonus Ball number 12 - lucky winner Mrs. Dixon.

## A final thought

**Remembering the simple things helps us to take care of what really matters**

Have a lovely half term, Yours Sincerely, Mr. Paul Ackers

