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Dear Parents/Carers,

A message from the Headteacher

Phew! Thank you to all parents for attending parents' evening appointments and for the positive feedback in the questionnaires. We have all enjoyed a hugely successful 'Wonderful World of Reading Week.' Thank you to all mums and dads and grandparents for sorting out costumes for Thursday and coming in to read with the children. A BIG thank you to those who have managed to get to the Book fair and purchase a book - I will keep you informed of the commission made and how we intend to spend it. Together we have all helped to create more happy memories for our wonderful children.

LENT

This Lenten season, our children are taking part in the CAFOD fundraising event 'Turn little fish into big fish.' Year Two will launch the event with an assembly on Thursday for Lent Fast Day. Over the next few weeks there will be a range of activities that the children are welcome to take part in such as an Easter raffle and a Free Trade Fishy Fayre.

Could we ask that your child brings in a 50p coin on Thursday for a 'Fifty Pence Fish?'

The goal is to fill the fish with as many 50p coins as possible. Thank you for your continued support and generosity. FUNDING

As you may have seen and heard in the news in recent weeks, there are going to be cuts to schools' funding. We have been asked to distribute a letter from the Wigan authority informing you of these cuts. Please check your child's bag for this as they have been sent home today. We intend to send a letter out before Easter explaining how it affects St Joseph's and what you can expect to see happening as a result. Please rest assured we will endeavour to keep you informed and updated of any decisions we make when considering what is best for your children when planning for the future.

OUR NEW PREFECTS

Congratulations to Scarlett Moss Turner, Grace Scott Jervis, Jonathan Humphries and Jacob Hince for being chosen to be the next Prefects in Spring Term. You are super role models for the rest of St Joseph's children and have already been very welcoming and helpful to all our parents during both our Parents' evenings. I am very proud of you all. Enjoy your new responsibility.

ROAD WORK DISRUPTION : Please see the reverse of this Newsletter

NEWSLETTER: This will be the final paper copy if you have provided us with your email address; email Newsletters will start from next week.

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 8th March - Sacramental Programme in school hall for parents 2.30pm Thursday 9th March - Year 2 LENT FAST assembly in the school hall 9.15am Thursday 9th March - Year 1 Learning together Parent workshop in the school hall 2.15-3.15pm

Team points winners for this week are the YELLOW LIONS

This weeks' Superstars/Lunchtime Friday Top Table

A very big well done to the following children who have being 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** - Allivah Briggs **Year One** - Vinny Bracek Year Two - Isaac Plimley Year Three - Liam Dungey Year Four - Jake McKenna

Year Five - Charlie Coogan Year Six - Scarlett Moss-Turner

Extra Curricular Clubs and Sporting Fixtures for week beginning Monday 6th March

Monday - Y4, Y5 & Y6 Rugby/Y3 & Y4 Tri-Golf Wednesday - Netball for Years 3 & 4 Thursday - Netball for Years 5 & 6

Please 'like' our FOSJ Facebook page - The more shares, comments and likes we get the better our communication becomes - thanks.

FOSJ Bonus Ball: £25.00 Prize - Wednesday 1st March 2017 - Bonus Ball number 42 - lucky winner Wilem Morrow.

Quote of the week

A year 3 boy has been praised for making the Year 1 visitors feel welcome during book week when they visited Year 3 classroom.

God Bless

Miss M Daley