

Girls Hockey

Last week saw St Joseph's play Canon Slade, the results were:

Year 7
St Joseph's - 1 Canon Slade - 2

Year 8
St Joseph's - 1 Canon Slade - 1

Year 9
St Joseph's - 0 Canon Slade - 2

This week, due to unforeseen circumstances, our opponents had to cancel; therefore St Joseph's Year 8 team played the Year 7 team. **Eliza Hayes** and **Ellie Yates** umpired.

Year 7s won, **4 - 2!**

Goals by **Lucie Carr**, **Annabelle Edge** and **Emily Hawkrigg (Captain)**. Year 8 goal scorer and player of match, **Melissa Walker**.



Football Results

Bolton Schools Under 15s Town Cup First Round:

Bolton School - 0 St Joseph's - 3

Year 7
St Joseph's - 2 Thornleigh - 0

ATTENDANCE MATTERS – The whole school attendance for last week was 95.0%. Congratulations to **Year 7** and **Mrs Horridge** for achieving the highest attendance percentage out of all year groups. Congratulations **'King'** for achieving the highest house attendance and to **7 Devereux** and **10 Teresa** for the highest form attendance this week. Well Done!

Year	Bernadette	Devereux	King	Kolbe	Romero	Teresa	Vincent	Yr.Average
7	94.7	98.3	97.5	96.9	98.0	97.0		97.0
8	97.7	96.8	93.3	97.3	95.3	93.7		95.6
9	91.5	90.0	95.8	94.8	93.7	94.3		93.3
10	96.8	95.0	96.8	89.2	93.2	98.3	95.8	95.0
11	93.5	90.0	98.0	96.2	97.1	96.2	86.7	93.9
Family Average	94.8	94.0	96.2	94.8	95.4	95.9	91.2	

Attendance	95%	90%	85%	80%
Number of days lost learning in an academic year	9.5	19	28.5	38
Number of lessons lost learning for a 6 period day	57	114	171	228

Is 95% attendance good? This means that your child has still missed nearly 10 school days in one year. Over five years that would be nearly 50 days, this is almost a school term. Research suggests that '17 missed school days a year equals a drop in a grade in GCSE achievement' - DfE



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Regular Information from the St Joseph's Community



Our theme this week is...

JUSTICE



Justice ... out of love

Up & Coming Events:

10th October

- Geography Field Trip - 9 Bernadette

11th October

- Geography Field Trip - 9 Romero & 9 Teresa

13th October

- Geography Field Trip - 9 Kolbe & 9 Devereux

14th October

- INSET Day - school closed to pupils

Les Miserables is an epic story! It focuses on one man's conversion and how an experience of God's mercy can change a person's life. It is a great starting point as we look at 'JUSTICE', our theme for this week.

There are two main characters, Jean Valjean and Javert. Valjean is a convict who has a conversion because of a Catholic Bishop showing him mercy. He seeks to change his life around and he then lives a life of both justice and mercy. The movie revolves around him realising that, 'to love another person is to see the face of God.'

Javert, on the other hand, is a prison guard. He believes he is serving God by doing what is 'right' and seeking justice and justice alone. He even sings, 'I am the law and the law is not mocked.' All of Valjean's actions are motivated out of love and Javert's are motivated out of justice and obligation to duty.

It is something interesting to consider as we reflect on our own spiritual life and on our relationship with God. Do we act and behave the way we do out of love for God and a need or desire to grow closer to him or do we act and behave the way we do because we are told to and feel obliged to?

'Why did I go to Mass this weekend? Was it out of obligation or out of love for God? Do I do good things, avoid sin, and practice virtue because that's just what devout Catholics do? Or am I doing these things out of love for God?

I recently read an interview with *Shane Claiborne* in 'Youthwork', a Christian magazine for people involved with youth ministry. Shane, a Christian activist, works educating young people about gun violence and campaigns against the death penalty.

When asked what he'd like to say to the young people of the UK he said: "Fall in love with Jesus again. Fall in love with him every day. That changes us. That changes the world. When we lose track of Jesus at the heart of our lives and faith, we end up doing all sorts of crazy stuff. We become known for the very things Jesus spoke out against. Fear is driving a lot of ugly things that are happening (in our world). When fear drives it doesn't leave much room for love or justice. What does love look like right now with the refugee crisis? What does love look like with racial killing? Scripture says God is love and if we love one another, God is there, with us."

So this week act, speak, do, think and behave justly. Not because you think you have to but be motivated to out of love.

¡Bienvenido a Miss Williams! Bienvenue à Miss Williams!

Hi! My name is Miss Williams and I am a student teacher here at St Joseph's and I will be working in the Languages Department. I'm originally from Liverpool so that's why I have a funny accent!

I've studied Spanish and French since I was in Year 7 and I then went on to study Spanish, French and Italian at Lancaster University.

The main reason that I love languages is that you can travel around the world, have a conversation with people from that country and make new friends! From learning languages and travelling, I have made so many friends around the world. Whilst I was at university, I spent a year in the south of Spain in the region Andalucía! I met so many amazing people there and it was great to use my Spanish every single day. I also had the chance to travel to many fantastic places whilst I was in Spain such as Belgium and Germany! Another reason why I love languages is that you can see yourself progressing and getting better, it's something that you can always work on and improve!

I will be starting a lunchtime club here at St Joseph's which will take place every week. Here, you can come and chat in the target language, Spanish and/or French, ask questions about homework and improve your language skills! All year groups are welcome. If you have any questions about the lunchtime club, my experience in Spain or studying languages, you can always find me in the Languages Department!

¡Hasta luego! À bientôt!

Miss Williams ☺



St Joseph's SVP Prayer, Coffee and Cakes



What: Join us for prayer, coffee, cakes and a chat
Where: St Anthony's Centre
When: 1pm on dates below

Dates:

- 27th September – Mass for Feast of St Vincent
- 18th October
- 29th November
- Christmas Party Monday 19th December
- 31st January
- 28th February
- 28th March
- 23rd May
- 27th June



St Joseph's Youth SVP Senior Citizen's Christmas Party



19th December 2016
2pm – 4pm
School Hall

Transport Provided
01204 697456

Please contact school to arrange transport



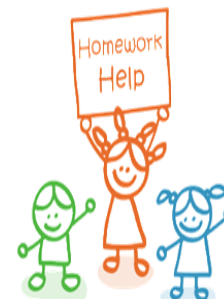
Spanish and French Lunchtime Club!



Miss Williams is running a lunchtime club every Monday to support Spanish and French students with conversation classes, making displays, homework help and any other questions you might have!

All year groups are welcome!

If you have any questions, see Miss Williams or Mrs Yates in the Languages Department.



Please note:

Friday 14th October 2016

INSET DAY

School closed to pupils – thank you.

Conway Centre, Anglesey

- ✓ ***Year 7 Residential to Conway Centre, Anglesey 18th - 19th October.***
- ✓ ***Kit lists have been issued, please see Mrs Horridge if you need a copy.***
- ✓ ***All pupils must bring a packed lunch on Tuesday 18th.***
- ✓ ***Final confirmation letter to be sent out.***