



### **Mission Statement Awards**

The following children were awarded with the Head Teacher Mission Statement Award this term for living out our Mission Statement:

<b>Cedar</b>	<p><u>Anthony</u> - for always linking the bible stories we study to our mission statement and the way we behave as Christians today.</p> <p><u>Daniel</u> – for always being polite and courteous to everyone around him, children and adults.</p>
<b>Elm</b>	<p><u>Dylan</u> – for a huge improvement in his attitude towards his learning and a fantastic year in Elm Class.</p> <p><u>Alazne</u> – for always listening to instructions and being a kind, caring member of Elm Class.</p>
<b>Fir</b>	<p><u>Paige</u> – for working hard to become a happy and confident member of St Joseph's. He is kind and considerate to everyone.</p> <p><u>Darcy</u> – for her gentle and caring manner and for trying her best at all she does.</p>
<b>Hazel</b>	<p><u>Orran</u> – You show tremendous enthusiasm for all you do and never shy away from a challenge.</p> <p><u>Jessica</u> – You are a wonderful role model for our school community, constantly living out our mission statement with the biggest of smiles.</p>
<b>Maple</b>	<p><u>Alice</u> – For being a thoughtful and enthusiastic member of Maple Class and for always going out of her way to look out for others.</p> <p><u>Ted</u> – for demonstrating a willing and conscientious effort towards learning challenges across the curriculum and for his use of excellent manners.</p>
<b>Oak</b>	<p><u>Ava</u> – for her friendship and generosity towards others and for always being an excellent role model.</p> <p><u>Lewis</u> – for working hard at being a good friend to others and for his enthusiastic approach to his learning.</p>
<b>Pine</b>	<p><u>Marta</u> – for optimising our mission statement in all her words, thoughts and actions. An outstanding role model and an absolute pleasure to have in the class.</p> <p><u>Grace</u> – for the enthusiasm and commitment she shows towards her learning. She is a great role model.</p>
<b>Sycamore</b>	<p><u>Olivia</u> – for the focus and positivity she shows towards her learning and for being an excellent learning partner and team member.</p> <p><u>Conor</u> – for the endless enthusiasm he shows towards all aspects of school life and for his determination to improve his learning.</p>
<b>Willow</b>	<p><u>JJ</u> – for his outstanding work on the Chaplaincy Team this year and being such a great role model for others.</p> <p><u>Jacob</u> – for embracing all aspects of school life with a smile on his face, particularly in his role as a School Council member</p>

## **YEAR 6 AWARDS**

### **This year our Year 6 awards were presented to:**

Marta - O'Carroll Cup – for effort and achievement in Religious Education

Patrick & Imogen - Jack Fielder Scholar Award

Olivia & Charlie - Jack Fielder Achievement Award

Ciaran & Evie - Father Hanton Citizenship Award – voted for by the pupils, which child in year 6 has epitomised our school mission statement during their time at St Joseph's

## **DINNER MONEY FOR JUNIORS**

**Please note: Dinner money must be paid in advance.** School meal prices are £2.60 per day, £13.00 per week. You may pay any amount of your choice to keep your balance in credit. Please pay online using the School Gateway system. All you need to do to activate an account is download the school gateway from your app store or visit the website [www.schoolgateway.com](http://www.schoolgateway.com) and click new user. You will receive a message with a PIN number and you can use this to log in. Please be sure the school office has your up to date email and mobile phone number.

Two weeks' notice in writing to Nicky Thompson, our Catering Manager, is required for any changes in dietary pattern.

## **MILK ORDER**

Milk is available to all age groups through the school. If you would like your child to receive mid-morning milk please just visit [www.coolmilk.com](http://www.coolmilk.com) to register and place your order.

## **SCHOOL ASSOCIATION REPORT**

The School Association has been very busy again this year funding the school with £23,000 worth of items. By far the biggest were the six new white boards (£15,000) but additionally we funded £4,000 of library books, an e-safety workshop for all pupils, musical instruments, Pippa Goodhart visit, Forest School development, a children's entertainer and bibles/crosses.

We are still calculating how much we have raised this year and we'll announce this at the start of next term. However, we have raised over £4,400 from the sponsored run of which 50% is going to our nominated charity of the year Lymphoma Action.

We are looking forward to more great events next year, raising even more money and we ask that you all consider donating a small bit of time next year to help out the small band of parents that already do so much for your School Association.

## **GOODBYE AND GOOD LUCK**

We wish all of our Year 6 leavers the very best as they move onto their respective secondary schools. It has been a pleasure seeing every Year 6 flourish at the school and the whole staff and governors are very proud of your achievements and who you are as people.

Today, we say goodbye to our SENCo, Mrs Morrissey. We thank her for all her hard work over the past 18 months and wish her well in her new adventure as a P.E. teacher in a special school. We have successfully recruited an experienced SENCo. Who will be joining the Family of St Joseph's in September.

## Academic Year Dates 2019/2020

### Autumn Term 2019:

Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	INSET- No Pupils
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	INSET- No Pupils
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	Pupils Return
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	INSET- No pupils
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Half Term holiday
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of term (13.30 finish)

### Spring Term 2020:

Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	INSET- No pupils
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	Pupils Return
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> February – Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	Half Term holiday
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Last day of term (13.30 finish)

### Summer Term 2020:

Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	Pupils Return
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May - Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	Half Term holiday
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of term (13.30 finish)
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	INSET- No pupils
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Occasional Day – No school

## St. JOSEPH'S GOVERNORS' ANNUAL REPORT 2019

Thank you to every member of staff at St. Joseph's who have helped to make this another very successful year for the children. We have had an Ofsted RE Inspection and we were found to be Outstanding again. Our detailed work is carried out in our Sub-Committees and by Governors with specific responsibilities. We also meet as a Full Governing Body twice per term to make decisions as a corporate group. The year ahead should be exciting with the new school building work starting.

### **New School Building Group**

*The Governing Body has worked hard in the process of getting a new school building and to make it a 2 form entry school. This will provide an additional 15 spaces per year. We were granted planning permission on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019 and we hope that works will start by October and the new School will be operational from December 2020. We look forward to seeing the plans come to life!*

### **Premises, Finance, Health & Safety and Critical Incident Committee**

The committee has continued to work with both School Business Manager, Mrs McManus and Mr Coldwell in order to maintain a balanced budget during these challenging times. Although we are currently in a financially stable position, for the first time we are predicting a deficit budget at the end of the next financial year, which is clearly, cause for concern and there are challenges that lie ahead. This situation is becoming common in other schools throughout the country but as a committee we will do our very best to ensure we efficiently manage and control the resources we have available without compromising our education standards. We are fully committed to ensuring the necessary resources to deliver an outstanding education for our young people. We benchmark our expenditure against other schools of a similar size and it is reassuring to know that our key costs relating to staffing and learning resources are either at a similar or greater value for money. A number of policies have been subject to review throughout the year, ensuring that all guidance is current, up-to-date and requirements complied with. Our particular focus is to ensure that our pupils are happy, learning and safe in school.

### **Curriculum Committee**

*Curriculum Committee meetings are held once a term. In them, we consider teaching, learning and progress at St Joseph's. Each subject is reviewed biannually. This entails the subject leaders submitting data, plans and policies to us before the meeting and then presenting a report and answering questions at the meeting itself. We also have the opportunity to hear from pupils about their learning and to see work they are proud of. This year, we have reviewed History, Geography, PE, PSHE, Art, Music and Design & Technology. It is a real privilege to see how well the subjects are prepared, taught and assessed, and, particularly, to hear from our enthusiastic and well-motivated pupils.*

### **Admissions Committee**

The Committee reviews the School's Admission Policies considering Diocese and Local Authority requirements. We administer the School's admissions criteria for applications for Nursery and for Reception separately. Legally Nursery and Reception places have to be considered separately. Attendance at our nursery therefore never guarantees a place in our Reception. Whenever we use our oversubscription criteria the process is witnessed by an independent person who is not an employee or a Governor at the school. A paid Local Authority clerk takes minutes. We do not have any discretion to stray from the oversubscription criteria set out in our published Admissions Policy.

### **Personnel Committee**

*As a Voluntary Aided Church School, the Governors are the employers of every member of staff (apart from the kitchen staff). We are responsible for the appointment, performance management and pay of all, including our Headteacher. We are also responsible for the annual review of many Policies.*

### **Promotion and Publicity Committee**

This year we have overseen the publication of some good news stories in the local press. The website is always a challenge to keep up to date with the many changes taking place but is full of useful information and has some lovely photos of the work the children have done on the class pages. Keep an eye on the website next year as we are hoping to have a dedicated section to the new build.

### **Equality Duty Committee**

*Following the parent questionnaire about uniform, the Committee took the expressed views on board and girls now have the option of wearing school trousers. A programme called SCARF has been implemented across the school and both Crucial Crew and the Life Bus have given pupils the opportunity to examine difference and our beliefs in tolerance and acceptance. Every effort is being made to ensure that equality and accessibility are highlighted in the plans for the new school building.*

We thank you Lord, for this term and year.

For the challenges, the successes, and the mistakes from which we have learnt.

Be with us as we spend our time with family and friends.

Give us strength and courage to do what is right; to be witnesses of our faith.

Help us to be a practical Christian these holidays, to appreciate what others do for us, to give time and effort to help others, to be peacemakers in our family.

Keep us safe in our activities; give us good rest and good fun.

Bring us back refreshed and ready for a new year.

We thank you for our classmates, teachers, parents and a community that cares for us.

May we always be conscious of you in our lives.

**Amen.**