



St Joseph's RC VA Primary School

Newsletter

11th January 2019

Dates for your diary

Thursday 17 th January	Y5 Educational Visit to Beamish Museum
Friday 18 th January	9am Y4 Collective Worship
Friday 25 th January	9am Y3 Collective Worship
Friday 1 st February	9am Y2 Collective Worship
Friday 8 th February	9am Y1 Collective Worship
Friday 15 th February	9am Reception Collective Worship
Friday 15 th February	Break up for Half Term
Monday 25 th February	Return to school

Note that a full list of diary dates can be found on eSchools and on our website

Attendance – 21/12/2018 – 10/01/2019

Reception	93.7%
Year 1	94.4%
Year 2	90.7%
Year 3	95.8%
Year 4	91.1%
Year 5	92.5%
Year 6	96.4%
Whole School	93.5%
Target	97.0%

This week's attendance winners :

Year 6 – well done

**Overall Attendance for the autumn
term 96.6%**

School Uniform

Our school uniform supplier is Logos Unlimited based on the Team Valley.

<https://www.logos-unlimited.co.uk/schools/st-joseph-s-rc-va-primary-school-gateshead>

The shop is open during the winter as follows:

Tuesday – Friday 10am – 4pm

If you are unable to get to the shop during those hours please phone the shop on 0191 4879240 as arrangements can be made for out of hours.

The shop address is: 322d Mayoral Way, Team Valley, NE11 0RT

Times Tables Rockstars

If you haven't yet returned your consent form please do so asap.
If you need a copy of the letter please contact the school office.

Primary School Admissions

The closing date to apply for a place in Reception Class for September 2019 is Tuesday 15th January 2019.

If you have a child due to start school in September, or if you know of someone who does, then please remember to complete your application online at:

<https://www.gateshead.gov.uk/article/2796/Primary-school-admissions>

Attendance

Our Autumn Term attendance was disappointing and our overall attendance was only 96.6%, below our 97% target. This was mainly due to higher levels of unauthorised absence, holidays during term time and sickness.

Please help us to improve our overall attendance by ensuring your child attends school regularly and on time.

Parents are reminded of the importance of good attendance.

Please refer to the Governments' guidelines at <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-attendance>
Pupils need to attend school regularly to benefit from their education. Children with poor attendance tend to achieve less in both primary and secondary school. The Government expects parents to perform their legal duty by ensuring their children attend regularly and pupils are punctual to their lessons.

Please remember that the school day begins at 8.50am. If your child is absent please telephone the school office before 9.30am on the first day of absence.

School's Attendance Policy can be found on our school website:

<http://stjosephsrcvprimary.org/attendanceabsence-from-school/>

Easyfundraising

Don't forget if you are ordering goods online to use Easyfundraising.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stjosephpsgtshd/>

It's very easy, free to use and helps raise vital extra funds for school.

Facebook

Don't forget to keep an eye on our Facebook page. We'll be posting lots of good news stories and information.

School Website: <http://stjosephsrcvprimary.org/>

Don't forget to check out our website for all the latest news.

eSchools

This continues to be our main form of communication with parents. Please ensure you have downloaded the app to your phone and turn on notifications.

You'll be able to check your child's attendance, calendar dates, receive information regarding school events and trips.

If you need a reminder of your login details please contact the school office.