

# ST JOSEPH'S JOURNAL

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## WEEK ENDING 19TH APRIL 2024

### FREDDY FIT WORKSHOPS ACROSS THE SCHOOL

This week our children enjoyed an active workshop with Freddy Fit. Not only did they use their team building skills and moved throughout the session, they were also reminded of some vital ways to keep their bodies and mind healthy for life long fitness. The children were praised for their attitudes and effort and were a credit to the school.



### READING CHALLENGE BRONZE AWARD WINNERS

Following the launch of our reading challenge at the start of the Spring Term, we would like to congratulate the following pupils on receiving their bronze award. Well done to Niamh W who has completed and reviewed at least 15 books to reach this award and will now continue to strive towards their silver award, reviewing 30 books.

- Reading improves our vocabulary*
- Reading helps with our writing*
- Reading enhances our imagination*
- Reading improves our concentration*
- Reading improves builds knowledge*



### ATTENDANCE

#### 'Moments Matter, Attendance Counts'

Attendance at school is as much about pupil well-being as academic success. Being in school supports pupil's friendships, confidence and wider development. When pupils miss school, the impact of 'feeling behind' can be a barrier to their future success. Government data shows that 84% of Key Stage 2 pupils who had 100% attendance achieved the expected standard, compared to 40% of pupils who were persistently absent across the key stage. If pupils are not in school, we can not support them to learn.

- Nursery - 83.9%**
- Reception - 89.0%**
- Year 1 - 95.6%**
- Year 2 - 85.0%**
- Year 3 - 96.7%**
- Year 4 - 96.7%**
- Year 5 - 91.7%**
- Year 6 - 93.6%**

**Whole school attendance week: 91.7%**

**We need these figures to be above 96% Help us reach our goal - every day counts!!**

**Whole school attendance this year: 94.5%**



**Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow**

## EID CELEBRATIONS

On Monday this week, Mrs Causton and Mrs Rudman made some amazing dishes in recognition of the celebration of Eid. Pupils loved the food, asking if there was any more! It was beautiful to hear how children had celebrated with their families as we shared the food together.



## BREAK A LEG MRS GREEN!



You may be aware that Shrek the Musical is on at Todmorden Hippodrome this week, starring our very own Mrs Green! Some of the children from KS2 went to see the performance on Wednesday evening and had a great time. The show runs til tomorrow night.

## GOOD LUCK MRS MCMAHON

Today we have had to say goodbye to Mrs McMahon for a little while whilst she takes time away from school to have her baby. We wish her and the baby every good wish as she leaves and can't wait to hear of the new arrival!

We welcome Mrs Bell who has already taken on the role of Beech Class Teacher and she will continue to be supported by both Mrs Hird and Miss Watkin.



## THIS WEEK'S AWARDS



**Beech:** Summer P, For having a super first week at St Joseph's.

**Cedar:** Aryan I, For trying hard and joining in during lessons.

**Elm:** Subahaan F, Super effort with reading and phonics

**Oak:** Tanzela I, Great effort in her work all week and at Sats club too

# WOW!

**Beech:** Zeeshan- For super subtracting work in math's.

**Cedar:** Caleb- For showing perseverance during Freddie Fit exercises.

**Elm:** Lillie S, Super hoola-hoop skills during Freddie Fit

**Oak:** Melissa P, For a fantastic diary entry

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

### Trips, Visits, Theme Days and More

**Thursday 2nd May** KS2 Inter School Cricket Competition

**Friday 3rd May** Whole School Mass 10am all welcome

**Monday 6th May** Bank Holiday Monday

**Tuesday 7th May** Todmorden in Bloom: design a Bug Hotel competition. Winners (still to be announced) will be invited to the Mayor's Parlour at 5pm to be presented with their certificates.

**Wednesday 8th May** Performance at BTRCC for Year 4 pupils 'I want a Mobile Phone'

**Sunday 12th May** Children on the sacramental programme are asked to attend mass together with their parents

**Monday 13th - Thursday 16th May** KS2 SATs week

**Monday 20th May** Y6 Transition Visit to BTRCC

**Wednesday 22nd May** Sacramental Programme 4pm in school in preparation for First Holy Communion

*Please note we break up on Friday 24th May and are not back in school until Monday 10th June. Governors have made this decision to support parents in being able to take less expensive holidays. Please make use of this should you wish to and avoid term time holidays.*

*Thank you*