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Friday, 7th May 2021

Dear Families,

St Joseph the Worker Feast Day

Firstly, I would like to thank you all for the tremendous efforts that were seen last Friday for St Joseph the Worker feast day. It was truly delightful to witness the children dressed in outfits reflecting the jobs they aspire to have in the future. What a wonderful array of talented and gifted pupils we have! I have no doubt that the world will be a brighter place in the future as they achieve their goals and ambitions.

The school was filled last Friday with joy, prayer and reflection. The children have produced some beautiful work on the seven joys of St Joseph, some of which is currently being displayed in the school hall. We will ensure images of this work are shared with you in due course.

St Joseph Penny Fundraising

School and Governors received a lovely letter of thanks this week from Caritas Salford. Our school's fundraising efforts raised a total of £505.00 for the St Joseph's Penny Appeal this year; a truly remarkable achievement given the difficult circumstances of the pandemic. A celebration certificate has been displayed in the hall alongside some of the beautiful prayers that were written by pupils and linked together to mark this achievement. Over the coming months, Caritas will use this money to support those in need. Thank you so much for your incredible generosity and support.

Sponsored Read-a-thon

We are always seeking to improve the learning experiences of pupils at St Josephs. We have received many positive comments regarding the additional half hour in school promoting reading. I am really pleased to hear that parents are fully supportive of this initiative and feel that it is positively impacting on their children's learning. In order to continue developing a love of reading in school the PTFA have organised a sponsored event. Money raised will be used to further develop reading areas within school. We are very grateful to the PTFA for organising this and strongly encourage as many children to participate as possible. A written letter from the PTFA with further information and a sponsorship form will be distributed today.

Attendance and Punctuality

We are delighted to see that children's school attendance is high this term. It is really important that this continues so that teachers can ensure that any gaps in learning can be addressed before the children enter the next year group. Can I remind families that children will receive a late mark if they arrive after the start of their staggered session time. The EWO (Educational Welfare Officer) will visit school next week to discuss attendance and punctuality and will arrange meetings with families if required.



Finally, I would like to once again take this opportunity to thank the whole community for the support shown to school.

Kind regards

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