

# St Joseph The Worker R C Primary School

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# Catch-up Monday

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Dear Families,

I hope that you all had a good break and enjoyed some time outside with your families. Despite the snow, we were blessed with blue skies and sunshine. I sincerely hope that you were able to enjoy this alongside an Easter egg or two!

Last term I am certain that you will have heard a lot of news regarding lost learning and 'catch-up' in the press. Although as a school we don't subscribe to this deficit model, we do realise that children have missed opportunities or may have gaps in learning as a result of the lockdown. In order to address this we propose an additional learning session of 30 minutes every Monday in order to focus primarily on reading skills across the school.

Unless children can read, they can't learn to their full potential. They can't discover their own talents and interests; they cannot lose themselves in imaginary lands or explore the limits of their imagination and creativity. For this reason teachers will plan an additional session focusing on early reading skills and phonics lower down the school and developing pupils' vocabulary, language comprehension and love of reading in higher up.

This is an exciting opportunity for your child to have an extended Monday in school over the next ten weeks and I am very grateful to the teaching staff and teaching assistants who are willingly facilitating this additional learning.

This will begin on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April and finish on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July (excluding Bank Holidays and half term). Pick up times on a Monday only will be as below.

	Nursery	Reception	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Pick up time	3.25pm	3.30pm	3.25pm	3.30pm	3.25pm	3.30pm	3.25pm	3.30pm
Entrance	Church side	Church side	Church side	Church side	Cutnook Ln	Cutnook Ln	Cutnook Ln	Cutnook Ln



Once again thank you for your continued support.

Kind Regards



Mrs Clayton

Acting Headteacher

