

The KINDERGARTEN at St. JOSEPH'S PARENT and CARER WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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Our Last day is Wednesday 19 December we return after the Christmas holiday on Monday 7 January 2019.

Please could I have all photograph money or packs returned by Tuesday 11 December please.

If your child is not able to attend a session, please would you email the office. It would be helpful if you gave the reason for the absence.

For Safeguarding reasons if your child has not arrived we will attempt to contact you but would very much prefer you did not leave it to us to call.

Sadly Marion will be leaving us at the end of this term.

Marion is our longest serving practitioner and we are going to miss her very much.



Dates to remember:

Term Dates - 2018-2019

Autumn

Thursday 6 Sep - Wed 19 Dec (Half Term Mon 22 Oct- Fri 26 Oct We are not open)

Spring

Mon 7 Jan - Fri 5 April (Half Term Mon 18 Feb- Fri 22 Feb We are not open)

Summer

Tues 23 April - Mon 22 July (Half Term Mon 27 May - Fri 31 May We are not open)

Friday 14 December 11:00 - children joining us in January are invited to join us for a stay and play session. Gentle reminder please would you respond to my invitation to attend.

Tuesday 18 December - Nativity performance in St Joseph's Church with party at Kindiejoes.

Early warning the session will start later and finish earlier on this day.

Our Session times

Morning 8:40-11:55 Afternoon 12:10 -15:10 School Day 8:40-15:10

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Our First Nativity - 18 December 2018

The children have started to learn the songs for our Christmas performance. All our preschool children will walk on in small groups of two or three. This takes the pressure of appearing on "stage" on their own.

The performance takes place in St Joseph's Church and for the event you will be able to drive up St Margaret's Drive and park in the church car park. If you are walking from Rosebank the gate will be open to allow you access. Could I ask you to walk if you can.

We will not be having a morning session instead we ask you to bring your children to the Church at 11:00. It will take us a 10- 15 minutes to get them ready and settled and the performance will last about 15 - 20 minutes.

The plan is that after the performance we are all going to come back to Kindiejoes and have our Christmas party. The children can then all go home excited and exhausted. **There will be no afternoon session.**



A gentle reminder that smoking is not permitted on the site. Could I politely ask you not to smoke when your children are near you. The smell tends to remain on your child for quite sometime and we do have some children with respiratory conditions that are affected by the lingering smell of smoke.



Car Park

Thank you for not parking in the school car park.

Our Report is Can be found on our website with all our policies.

Here are some of the lovely comments we are most proud of

"Staff are enthusiastic and talk about how they apply new knowledge to build on children's achievements."

Staff provide lots of comfort and reassurance to help children settle quickly.

They interact warmly with children and support their language skills well.

Children show high levels of confidence and a positive attitude to learning.

All children, including those learning English as an additional language, make good progress from their starting points.

"Children build on their exploratory and critical-thinking skills.

For example, they investigate the different ways they can transport natural resources across the garden and hunt for bugs with genuine interest."

"Children develop skills that prepare them well for the next stage in their learning and eventual move to school"



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Information If your child is having Lunch

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
main				
Southern Style Quorn Burger in a Bun	Ham & Cheese Pizza	Roast British Chicken	Organic Pork Meatballs in BBQ Sauce	Vinegar Infused Tempura Pollock Fillet
Jacket Wedges	Winter Salad	Sage & Onion Stuffing	Rice	Potato Wedges
Sweetcorn	Croutons	Gravy	Sweetcorn	Baked Beans
		Roast Potatoes		
		Carrot & Swede		
vegetarian				
Veggie Bean Taco	Sweet Potato Dhal	Quorn Fillet	Spinach & Ricotta Cannelloni in Tomato Sauce	Carrot & Cream Cheese Whirls
Vegetable Couscous	Rice	Fresh Cabbage	Homemade Bread	Garden Peas
Sliced Beetroot	Garden Peas		Fresh Broccoli Florets	
dessert				
Marmalade Cake	Yoghurt Pots (Turners Dairy)	Fresh Fruit Platter	Banana Cake	Apple Flapjack
Custard	Fruit Option	Creme Fraiche	Yoghurt Pots (Turners Dairy)	Yoghurt Pots (Turners Dairy)
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Below is the link for information about the food itself

<https://www2.myschoolunch.co.uk/surrey/primary-schools/the-education/the-complete-guide-to-surrey-school-meals/>

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School Application

If your child was born between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015 you have up until 15 January to get your applications completed and I strongly advise that you get the applications completed before Christmas. That way you won't forget!

Good Luck and Let me know if you need any help.



Uniform

You can buy Tshirt, sweatshirts and fleece tops form Tesco online.

<https://www.tesco.com/direct/the-kindergarten-at-st-josephs/9896.school>

I think this might be the correct link. Nadyne would you mind checking it for me.



A little reminder about how to wash hands.

First wet your hands



Then add soap



Next rub hands to make bubbles



Finally rinse and dry.



Thank you for marking bags, coats and other items of clothing. It does help us a lot.

Pooch Corner

Is the Toddler group that meets in the Church on Monday Mornings. They are looking for volunteers to help set up and generally help. Let me know if you might be able to help.



I thought I would add some preventative advice about nits and headlice. Sadly this is one of the downsides of having groups of children together. However I do need to emphasise that although these little beasts are annoying they do not cause harm.

Good advice is **once a week take a peek**. When you wash your child's hair, once a week use a conditioner and using a nit comb look through your child's hair. This should prevent the beasts getting too comfortable. Should you happen to come across the pests ask one of the local pharmacists for their recommended preparations and let us know so that we can warn others to be on the look out.

Another preventative measure is just to brush your child's hair everyday. I know that not all children like having their hair brushed but nor do the little beasts.

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Last Week



You may have noticed on the plan last week "Melting Snowman."

The children who attended on Thursday made these delightful biscuits. They were quite easy to do.

A rich tea biscuit covered in icing then a marshmallow on top. We used the activity to encourage the children to name the features of the face and to very carefully to squeeze writing icing tubes, strengthening their finger muscles.

If your child did not attend on Thursday why not give it a try at home.



One of the greatest benefits of preschool is that children can use each other for inspiration. They share their ideas or copy others.



With the very wet weather this week the children have been experimenting. These boys found that dry chalk dipped on puddles created a different coloured mark than they were expecting. So they covered the car (and themselves) with colour.



Did you know that on Tapestry you can leave us a comment to let us know what you think. If writing words is asking too much how about using the likes button.



Thanks to all of you who have found the likes button



Just how many children can fit comfortably around a table to use stencils to create a picture with? I think we should have had a bigger table.

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Date: Monday 10th December 2018

Early Years Foundation Stage - Weekly plan

Next Steps: PSED - Sharing/turn taking. PD - large and small motor skill development - floor maze, writing letters, Jenga, scissor skills. Maths - shapes, big & small, sequencing, counting. C&L - extending vocabulary/understanding. UW - Preparing for Christmas - The Nativity. EAD - Making music, finding out how magnets work, Christmas crafts.

Atlantic room, Pacific room & outdoors.

AREA	Creative Workshop	Sand & Water	Construction & technical/ Malleable & tactile	Small world & imaginative	Mathematics	Exploration & investigation	Mark making	Pre-schoolers' PM Activities	One to One & Group work
MON	Nativity Paint & Cookie cutters	Fishing for letters & numbers	Playdough & tea set	Post Box letters	In, on, under	What's that noise	Snowflakes - snipping with scissors	Shapes with Annabelle	
								Jenga	
TUE	Nativity sponge set	Find matching letters in the sand	Salt dough decorations	Post Box letters	Birthday cake & candles	Floor maze	Christmas colouring in		
WED	Wrapping presents	Funnels & bottles	Interstars	Post Box letters	Sequencing	Turn taking	Christmas cards for our friends	Counting with Jolanta	Matching cards with Annabelle
			Smart Max Magnets					Teapot colouring	
THUR	Rudolph cupcakes	Christmas cutters in the sand	Knex	Play Mobile	Magnet shape art	Sensory rice Christmas bin	Gift tags	Musical instruments	1-2-1 with Annabelle
			Mr Potato Head						
FRI	Rudolph ears with Jolanta	Cups & spoons	Christmas paper wrapping presents	Ponies & castle	Counting teddies & cups	Magnets	Wooden Christmas decorations		
							Snow globes		

Outdoor physical activities this week:

Tykes cars, climbing frame, crates, slides,

Children's requests:

Shapes of The Week:



Books of the week

FKYS - Choice of Christmas Stories

Pre-Schoolers - Choice of Christmas Stories

Nursery rhyme:

I'm A Little Teapot

Music & movement

Circle time songs, instruments etc...

FKYs - First Kindergarten year. Children going to school Sep 2020.

Nativity performance has now been perfected so we will be continuing with singing the songs. I am still trying to fit in a rehearsal at the Church but am not sure that this is going to be possible this year.

Turn taking is really important. At home emphasise when turns are being taken. "Mummy's turn to talk." "Daddy's turn to drive the car."



Please add any photos of visits to Santa to Tapestry. We would really love to see them.

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2018 -2019 Staff Team



Caroline - Deputy
DSL
PFA
Tues- Fri



Jolanta
PFA
Wed - Fri



Marion
PFA
Mon, Tues &
Thurs



Karen



Louise
DSL
PFA



Annabelle
DSL
PFA
Mon, Wed & Thurs



Bernie - Acting
Deputy
PFA
Mon - Wed



Suzy - SENDCo
Mon, Tues & Fri



Bernisi - Acting
Deputy
Tues & Fri

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PFA- Paediatric First Aid
DSL - Safeguarding Lead

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Are you thinking about toilet training?

Manu has a rather special potty that she no longer needs (and was hardly used).

If you would like know about this essential item please speak to Manu or Louise

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If you are interested please contact her and tell her that you came from Kindiejoes.

And for those of you feeling left out Lynda is now providing adult Tap Classes for all and no abilities. So much fun!

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