

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

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## Nurturing Your Child Through Play



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.



### Car Park

Thank you for not parking in the school car park.



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.

You can still order Our First Nativity DVD's. Just send £1 in an envelope with your child's name with on it.

### Dates to remember:

**Term Dates - 2018-2019**

#### Spring

Mon 7 Jan - Fri 5 April

#### Summer

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

### Our Session times

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

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### Reading and Lending Library - Message from Suzy

At Kindiejoes we really enjoy spending time reading to the children at circle time and in the book corner, and we make sure we read daily to all the children and they have access to books throughout the day. The children often choose the books we read and love joining in with the stories. As early years practitioners we know that books and stories are an essential aspect of our provision and we know what positive effect reading books and reciting rhymes and poetry have on the children's development and building their vocabulary.

Reading with your children at home is something we would always promote and encourage. Researchers have found that regularly reading to pre-school aged children at home positively impacts their ability to understand information and supports and promotes their language skills.

Over the half term we have spent time exploring and sorting through the books within the setting and we put aside a collection of books to establish a **book Lending library**. Each week the children will be invited to choose one book to take home and then return it when they have finished it.

Here are three things you can do and think about when reading with your child at home.

1. Whilst sharing the book can you ask if your child why they think a character did something or how they might have felt?
2. When there are illustrations and pictures, ask the child to describe what they can see in the pictures?
3. When you are half way through the book can you ask your child if they can guess how the story might end?

We would love it if you could share your reading experiences with us on tapestry and family, and if you have any books that your family have finished with and think another child might enjoy them please do share them with us.

I found a lovely quote the other day that really inspired me:

"A child needs a forest of words to wander through, a sea of words to splash in" (Frank Bruni)

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Can You Help?



We have got a lot of little ones toilet training at the moment which often means lots of changes of clothes. Thank you for the jogging bottoms sent in. We still need of jogging bottoms 2-3 years and 3-4 years. We also need girl's leggings and being a bit presumptuous boys and girls shorts. If your child has grown out of theirs would you mind donating them to us.

If your child has borrowed one of our trousers or joggers would you mind returning them.



Thought you might be interested in this as there has been so much in the media about keeping children safe when they are online. Google have created a safe search engine specifically for children called Kiddle. When you are "searching" why not give Kiddle a try. If your children see you using it now, when they are old enough to try searching the "net" they won't see it as being anything different.

If you are familiar with our website and in particular our policy page, you may have come across a document called "What to expect, when?" This has been updated and I have added it to the policy page of our website or you can buy your own copy by following this link:  
<https://www.actionforchildren.org.uk/resources-and-publications/information-guides/what-to-expect-when-a-parents-guide/>

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#### Information If your child is having Lunch

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>main</b>				
Quorn Lattice Slice	Organic Pork Sausages	Roast British Pork	Organic Beef Pasta Bolognese	Wholemeal Crumb Salmon Fillet
Mids Potatoes	Mashed Potato	Apple Sauce	Fresh Broccoli Florets	Oven Chips
Fresh Carrots	Gravy	Gravy		Sweetcorn
	Sweetcorn	Roast Potatoes		
		Fresh Cabbage		
<b>vegetarian</b>				
Tagliatelle Neapolitan	Vegetable Biryani	Roasted Vegetable & Cream	Quorn & Pesto Pasta	Vegan Style Chicken Nuggets
Fresh Broccoli Florets	Garden Peas	Cheese Tart	Carrot Batons	Baked Beans
		Fresh Cauliflower Florets		
<b>dessert</b>				
Ginger Sponge	Cheese & Biscuits	Fresh Fruit Platter	Oaty Apple Muffin	Chocolate Sponge
Yoghurt Pots (Turners Dairy)	Fresh Apple Slices	Creme Fraiche	Yoghurt Pots (Turners Dairy)	Chocolate Sauce
Fruit Option	Yoghurt Pots (Turners Dairy)	Yoghurt Pots (Turners Dairy)	Fruit Option	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/>

On Wednesday there was a small change to the menu your children may have told you.

Wednesday was Ash Wednesday and in the Catholic Church is traditionally a day of "fasting and abstinence." Admittedly not so easy to observe so many try to not eat meat. The roast dinner was substituted to pasta and pesto. Back to normal this week.



We very much welcome your contributions to our fruit basket. The snack table is always very well visited by the children.

This time of year we have lots of runny noses and coughs so a box of tissues and a packet of wipes is much appreciated also.

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We have noticed some new coats and hats. Some of the children are not recognising their new clothing so please, please, please will you mark new (and old) belongs with your child's name.



### Uniform

I have been contacted by My Clothing which is the company that provided Tesco with their embroidery service.

I have agreed to let them continue to supply and have added some more items to the range. There is now a reversible fleece and a rucksack.

Take a look and get ordering.

[www.myclothing.com](http://www.myclothing.com)



### Outside Play

Yes we do know that the weather is cold but children still need to be outside for play. We will not allow the children to get too cold; us grown ups feel it more than the children so on really cold days we won't be out too long. Please send them with hats, scarves & gloves all marked ofcourse. If your child is wearing wellie boots send in some indoor shoes too.

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.



### 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:



All throughout the week the children have had lots of opportunities to experience our technology toys. Very simply put the children had to turn things on or turn them off!

When they were confident with this some had the opportunity to play with the BeeBots. Little bumble bee looking robots that the children have to programme (yes I did say programme) to make them move. It is quite simple really!



And of course it was Pancake day this week. The children who attended on Tuesday helped Bernisi make some pancakes and then eat them. Not all the pancakes were huge but just the right size.



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Date: Monday 11th March 2019

Early Years Foundation Stage - Weekly plan

**Next Steps: PSED - Sharing. PD - Large & small motor skill development - Lego, stencils, tweezers & pompoms. Maths - counting, matching, small, medium & large, in & on, supermarket role play. C&L - extending vocabulary/understanding, following instructions. Lit - letters of the week. UW - St. Patricks Day, supermarket role play. EAL - Junk modelling, ballet.**

Atlantic room, Pacific room & outdoors.

AREA	Creative Workshop	Sand & Water	Construction & technical/ Malleable & tactile	Small world & imaginative	Mathematics	Exploration & investigation	Mark making	FKYs
MON	Making fossils with Caroline	Water & funnels	Magformas	Castle, Fairies & ponies	Small, medium, large	Large puzzle	Flow paint & long paper	In, on
					1-2-1 numbers with Bernie	Supermarket role play with Jolanta		Counting - How many?
TUE	Chicks with shapes with Suzy	Dinosaurs in sand	Lego	Mr Potato Head	Counting 1-10 and beyond	Supermarket role play with Jolanta	Disappearing letters - chalk & water	In, on
			Playdough & cutters					Counting - How many?
WED	Ballet with Caroline	Rice, spoons & containers	Wooden blocks	Traffic signs	Matching cards	Supermarket role play with Jolanta	Crayons & pens on the easel	In, on
			Playdough and tea set - Mya & Liliana					Counting - How many?
THUR	Junk modelling	Washing babies - Leela & Kaelene	Tweezers & pompoms	Playmobile	Small, medium, large	Supermarket role play with Jolanta	Stencils	In, on
			Playdough			Language games with Jolanta		Counting - How many?
FRI	St Patrick's Day - paint & print shamrocks	Cups & spoons	Magnetic dolls	Power Rangers	Shape revision	Discovery bottles	Rulers & pencils - drawing squares & rectangles	In, on
								Counting - How many?

Outdoor physical activities this week:

Tykes cars, climbing frame, crates, slides, see saws, trampoline, hula hoops, tyres & planks.

Children's request:

Some children have said that they would like the tea set with playdough and to wash the dolls in soapy water.

Shapes of the week: (FKY/Pre-sch)	Letters of the week:	Books of the week:	Nursery rhyme:	Word of the week:
 Revise all previous shapes	t & p	FKYS: The Tiger Who Came to Tea Pre-schoolers: The Three Billy Goats Gruff & Jack and The Beanstalk	Hickory Dickory Dock	Tiny

FKYs - First Kindergarten Year Children starting school Sep 2020

Pre-Sch - pre-schoolers children starting school September 2019

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Did you notice that we have introduced a word of the week.

Look at this week's word. Try and include it in at least one conversation each day.

Let us know if your child is using it - on Tapestry or Family ofcourse!

I might have to sit in on story time this week. One of my most favourite book's "The Tiger who Came to Tea."



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2018 -2019 Staff Team



Caroline - Deputy  
DSL  
PFA  
Tues- Fri



Bernie - Acting  
Deputy  
PFA  
Mon - Wed



Bernisi - Acting  
Deputy  
Tues & Fri



Louise  
DSL  
PFA



Megan  
Tues & Wed



Manuella  
(Manu)  
Mon, Thurs & Fri



Karen  
Volunteer



Daisy  
Volunteer



Annabelle  
DSL  
PFA  
Mon, Wed & Thurs



Suzy - SENDCo  
Mon, Tues & Fri



Jolanta  
PFA  
Wed - Fri

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PFA- Paediatric First Aid  
DSL - Safeguarding Lead

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Debbie one of our regular childminders has vacancies. If you are looking for a childminder or you know someone who is, contact Debbie now on

**07743 072832**

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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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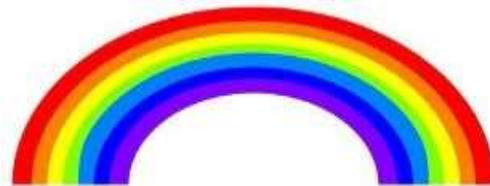


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**10:00 - 12:00 pm**



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**For more information please call us on:**

**01372 730 435**



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