

Dates for your Diary

Monday 4th February

- All Pupil Voice members meeting at 3.30-4.10pm

Tuesday 5th February

- Safer Internet Day
- Y5 trip to Wicked Young Writer Awards
- Y1 Homework Sharing at 2.30pm

Wednesday 6th February

- Y1 trip to The Science Museum
- Y4 Class Assembly at 10.10am
- Volunteer Bank Training at 1-3pm

Thursday 7th February

- Nursery Open Day at 2pm
- Y5 Homework Sharing at 2.15pm

Friday 8th February

- Individual Photograph Day

It's Maths, but not as you know it!

Today the school celebrated Number Day; with a donation of at least £1 from each family for the NSPCC, children came to school in their own clothes and wearing a number. It was wonderful to see how creative the children were by dressing up as their favourite number.

Today was also Mrs Wiles's last day at St Joseph's before she goes on maternity leave. Even though we will miss her sorely while she is away, we are very excited for her and her family as they will soon welcome a brand new member to their loving family. Good luck, Mrs Wiles!

This half term has flown by – we only have two more weeks until the half term break. Next week Mr Stacey and I invite you to our Volunteer Bank training session on Wednesday at 1pm. The session will prepare family members on how to help escort school trips. We have a limited number of spaces available so please contact the School Office to confirm attendance.

We also welcome parents and carers to our Nursery Open Day on Thursday at 2pm. If you or your family have children who are about to turn three years old, please confirm your attendance with the School Office and join us to have a look around our outstanding Nursery.

Mrs Wyatt - Executive Headteacher

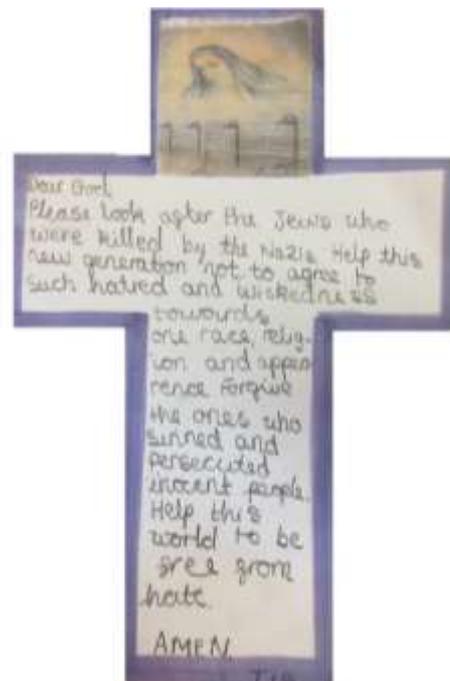
NSPCC Number Day

Number Day was an incredible success today! For the first time in St Joseph's history, children came to school dressed up as numbers to raise money for NSPCC (The National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children). Mr Mclean, the school's Mathematics Co-ordinator, arranged a number of fun mathematical activities for the children to take part in throughout the day. It was a fantastic school day and the staff and children cannot wait to celebrate Number Day again next year!



Holocaust Memorial Day

Last Sunday, 27th January, was the 80th Holocaust Memorial Day. To commemorate those that suffered during the Holocaust, children in Year 6 wrote prayers to God.



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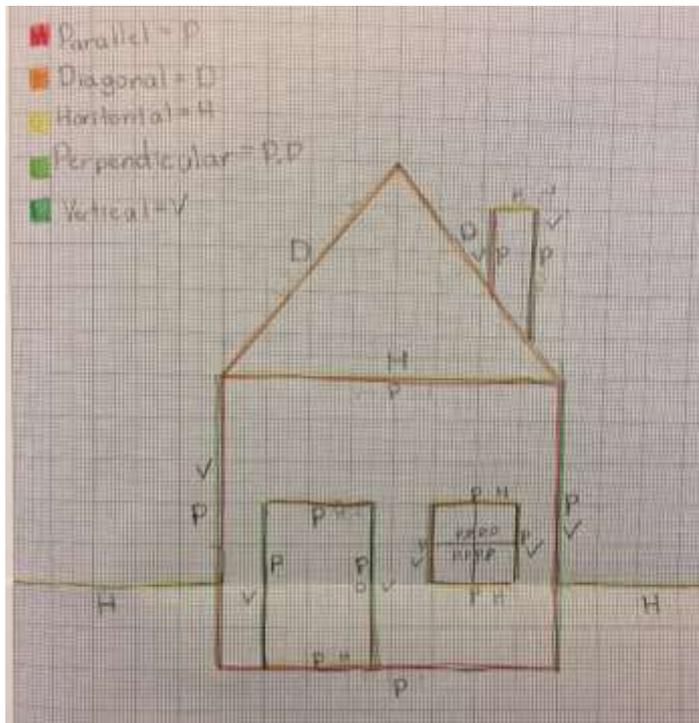
Our Wednesday Word for this week which links in with the Sunday Gospel is:

GOD'S LOVE

Children's Work

Year 5

This week in Maths, Year 5 were investigating different lines. They looked at parallel, perpendicular, horizontal and vertical lines and looked at their relationship with angles. They had so much fun designing their own houses using these different lines.



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Catholic Life

St Mary's is looking for volunteers to help with the church's flower arrangements. If you would like to assist, please contact Lady Patricia Watson, patricia@patriciawatson.co.uk.



Environment Team's Top Tip

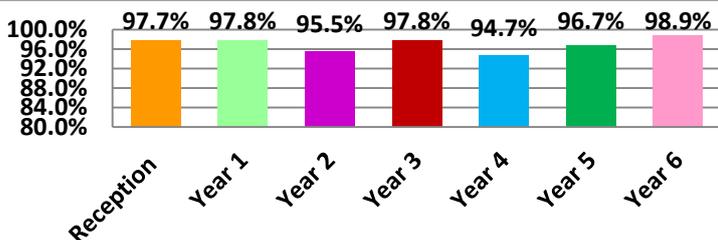
The Litter Free Lunch Challenge

Packaging our children's lunches can create a lot of waste. Most disposable items can be replaced by reusable ones. Involve your children in finding creative ways to pack a healthy lunch that leaves no rubbish behind. Try thermoses, and reusable plastic containers instead of disposable plastic or paper for example.



Attendance

Well done, Year 6! You had the highest attendance this week with 98.9%.



Pupil Voice

Pupil Voice are busy planning upcoming secret activities with the PTFA and in school over the following weeks. More to be announced very soon. Here's a clue – the activities will be *magical* experiences!

All Pupil Voice members are invited to the meeting on Monday from 3.30 to 4.10pm to find out how they can help.