PE with the Key Stage One 'bubble'!



Within our wonderful KS1 bubble. we have continued to work hard to keep as active can as we these during strange times.

We have all challenged ourselves to join in with the wonderful Joe Wicks who has been inspiring us to get up and boost our energy levels.



We have tried really hard to try to keep up with the exercises that he has set, some of them have been ever so tiring, but we have persevered!



Exercise is an amazing tool to help us feel happier, more energised, and more optimistic.

The workouts are fun and suitable for all ages and even adults can get involved.

You don't need any equipment at all. ...



To watch **Joe Wicks' PE lesson**, all you have to do is head to The Body Coach YouTube channel every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9am.

Starting the day with exercise gives you routine, raises your attention span and gets you focused. Just what we need to succeed!

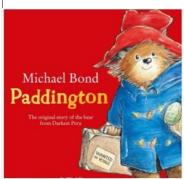
After completing PE with Joe Wicks, this is what the children in our KS1 bubble had to say:





F2 meet Paddington Bear!

Last week F2 had a surprise suitcase delivered to their classroom, it was Paddington's! Their new book this half term is called Paddington.



So far in Literacy, F2 have looked at the features of the front cover, written a prediction on what they think will happen to Paddington in the story and described Paddington.

In the continuous provision areas, the children have been enjoying role playing as a train conductor at the train station, booking holidays at the Travel Agents and having a teddy bears picnic.



Curriculum of Hope the focus question this half term is: 'What is a Refugee and who can be one?' F2 had the opportunity to meet a refugee when Paddington arrived at St

Joseph's. F2 had fun designing their own Paddington's and discussing how we can make Paddington feel welcome at St Joseph's. There were some wonderful responses including, designing new school uniform, giving him food and water and playing with him!



This week F2 had fun creating a display that

has been put up in the School Foyer on 'determination'. F2 looked at the nursery rhyme 'Incy Wincy spider' and how Incy Wincy is determined to climb the water spout.



Also, this week F2 joined the "Claps4Heroes" challenge and attempted to throw, clap and catch the ball. F2 had a lot of fun completing the challenge!



Wirral Health Project

Look out for a link that teachers will be sharing on Dojo from Wirral Health Project, they are offering food hampers to support families during lockdown. The link will take you to the form to request a hamper. If you are eligible you should now have been contacted to see if you would like a Morrisons hamper or food vouchers for next week. If you haven't please contact the school office to indicate your preference. If your family circumstances have changed and you feel that you would now reach the criteria to be eligible to receive free school meals, please contact the school office.



School Attendance

Attendance is below our target, well done to all who have achieved or are close to 100%! It is a key priority for us to ensure that attendance remains at 97% or above.

And to everyone who has made such an effort this week to be in school every day

Attendance overall including Foundation Stage: %

Attendance overall without Foundation Stage: %



CLASS	LAST WEEK	THIS WEEK
2Yr Olds: Mrs Higgins		
Foundation 1: Miss Howard		
Foundation 2: Miss Turner		
Foundation 2:Mrs Walker		
Year 1: Miss Last		
Year 2: Miss Finnigan		
Year 3: Miss Davies		
Year 4: Mr Broughton		
Year 5: Miss J Allen		
Year 6: Miss Morgan		

Pupils should wash their hands:

before leaving home
on arrival at school
after using the toilet
after breaks and sporting activities
before food preparation
before eating any food,
including snacks
before leaving school.



Pope Francis proclaims "Year of St Joseph"

Pope Francis remembers the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To mark the occasion, the Holy Father has proclaimed a "Year of Saint Joseph" from 8 December 2020, to 8 December 2021, and



has written this prayer to commemorate the year.

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

"Together in faith we nurture, encourage and inspire each other to achieve excellence and become all that Jesus calls us to be"

Headteacher Mrs M Hollis

School Office 0151 638 3919 22nd January 2021



Dear Parents/Carers

What a busy week of remote learning we have had! We are delighted that more children have logged on to online sessions, we know this has been challenging. If you are still having any issues please make contact with your child's class teacher via Dojo or contact the school office. schooloffice@stjosephs-wallasey.wirral.sch.uk

Thank you

I would like to thank Wirral Laptop Donations for donating five devices to support our online learning. The community spirit of others has been humbling during these unprecedented times. I know that if we work together we will gain strength from those surrounding us.

Foundation Stage Places

Unfortunately, due to current restrictions we have had to postpone visits to our Foundation Stage for parents looking for a school place for September. We will endeavour to add new dates once restrictions are lifted. Please do call or email the school office if you have any questions about applying for a place.

Mental Health & Well-Being

To support the mental health and wellbeing of

our children and families, we have added a new tab to the school website entitled 'Wellbeing.' Under this tab you



will find a range of links and videos that will support you and your family if you are finding life more tricky than normal. Please make use of the new links and know that we are here with listening ears if you need to talk.

May we continue to work together to strive for the best for our children in the week ahead. My thoughts and prayers go out to all those people impacted by Covid-19.

Social Distancing

Please adhere to social distancing restrictions and wear a face covering at the school gate. Some parents are not following

government guidance and it is putting others at risk.

Dear Lord.

We pray for all those that are sacrificing their own safety to care for others, Fill them with your spirit and let them know that they walk in your footsteps.

Through this time help us to draw our community together in spirit, even when we are apart

We pray for our school family, may they remain strong and safe at this time
Lord be the light in our darkness
Amen

Stay safe, God bless.

Mrs Hollis

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COVID—19

Many thanks for continuing to support us in our mission to keep our St Joseph's community safe during this pandemic. I am proud of how the children take necessary safety measures in their stride. I must ask that all adults adhere to national social distancing guidelines and wear a face covering at drop off and collection times. I have noticed that many families that are not adhering to this measure, we can't afford complacency. If you have an arranged meeting in school you will be required to provide your own face covering.

