Welcome
A big welcome to Mrs Emms who has joined our staff as the new Reception teacher. Welcome to all our new children and families. We hope you will be happy with us here in St Joseph’s. We are full in every year group but have some availability in nursery. Please contact the school for further details.

Uniform
The children have come to school smartly dressed in their uniform. Please be aware all shoes should be black and leggings are not permitted as part of the uniform. School skirts or trousers should only be black. We are keen to make sure our standards in school uniform remain high. Thank you for your support with this.

Parent Welcome Meetings
Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended the welcome meetings this week.

It is important to get a good routine from early in the school year with regards to homework and PE kits. The next parents’ evening where you can discuss progress and targets with teachers will be on Thursday 16th November. If you have any cause for concern or a query, please do not hesitate to make an appointment to see your child’s teacher.

Wider Opportunities - Music
I am delighted that we have been able to offer an opportunity for all the children in Year 2 to learn to play the violin again this year. We are also offering the opportunity for children in Year 3 to continue with their violin should they wish to continue to progress with their lessons. We will also be offering a continuation of lessons for those children who already have music tuition. Swansea music service will be leading the sessions every Wednesday and children should be ready to bring their violin home after half term. We are looking forward already to their first concert!

McMillan Coffee Morning
Please join us as we will be taking part in the world’s biggest coffee morning event on Friday 29th September from 9:15am – 11:00am in our Busy Bees Classroom. Any donations of cakes in the days before the event will be very welcome!

Reception classes would also like to hold a sale of books on these days. Please let me know if you are able to help with tea and coffee or selling of books. Many thanks

Parental Questionnaires
Thank you to the parents of children in Y1-6 who have already completed their questionnaires. It really does help us to take your points of view into consideration when reviewing the effectiveness of our school.

SQuid Update
We are hoping to move forward with the electronic payment system for dinners as soon as possible. Unfortunately, there have been a lot of technical issues experienced by schools who have started the system. We intend to wait until these have been resolved before introducing SQuid to St Joseph’s.

Dinner Money
As from 4th September the cost of school dinners has increased to £1.25 per week. Please send in the correct money in an envelope clearly marked with your child’s name and class.

Many thanks
Angela Heald
Head Teacher

ST JOSEPH’S CATHEDRAL PRIMARY SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER

Autumn Term
15th September 2017

Attendance - week ending 07.09.17
Nursery - 85.8%
Reception - 95.3%
Year 1 - 91.5%
Year 2 - 96.8%
Year 3 - 95.2%
Year 4 - 91.5%
Year 5 - 96.6%
Year 6 - 95.4%

Winning Class is: Year Reception E with 100%
Winning Year Group is Year 2 - 96.8%
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Key dates

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Dates for the Autumn Term
You should have received a list of dates for the autumn term. This information is also included in the calendar on our school website. Sometimes, we have to change dates but we will try to keep this to a minimum.

Film Club
Film club resumes the monthly club for KS2 (Y3-6) next Thursday 21st September. The film shown will be Boss Baby. Children must register to attend film club. £1 for a drink and crisps. Collect at the Parish Hall door at 5pm.