

# Parents' Transition Information July 2023

Welcome to Year 5

## <u>Welcome</u>



The aim of this short PowerPoint is to provide you with the expectations in Year 5 and other information so that your child is fully prepared to start in September. I cannot wait to meet them all and be their teacher next academic year!

Miss Lawson

### Your new teacher is ...

Hello, my name is Miss Lawson. I am really looking forward to being your teacher in Year 5.

I am scared of horror films.
My favourite group is Take That.

I love teaching and creating fun lessons.

In Year 5 I am going to need help with keeping the classroom running effectively and efficiently.



My Favourite colour is blue.
A little known fact about me is I used to work at Hagley High School before I came to St Joseph's.

I do enjoy every day but my favourite day is Friday ☺

## **Expectations**

At St. Joseph's we pride ourselves in maintaining high expectations and appreciate your support with these too.

- Children in neat and tidy <u>full uniform</u> every day with correct socks and black shoes.
- Only <u>one pair of plain, round stud earrings</u> (no shapes or patterns) in the lobes of the ears. Watches are allowed but not smart watches in which messages can be sent and received
- Please <u>do not get</u> your child's ears pierced during school time. It must be done in the summer holiday and the children must be able to take the earrings out and put them in for PE sessions independently. Staff are not allowed to touch the piercings.
- No other jewellery is allowed
- No nail varnish allowed
- No extreme hair styles tram lines etc.
- Long hair must be tied back (for girls AND boys).

### **Expectations Continued**

As you already know, as parents, you are the primary educators of your children. You all play a <u>crucial role</u> in the education of your children along with us all here at St. Joseph's.

- Please ensure you are encouraging your child to be independent e.g.
  carrying their own bags into school, getting their PE clothes ready for
  the correct days, having the equipment they need, handing in their
  homework on time etc.
- Key Stage 1 children should be able to cut up their own food at dinner times unless they have a particular need in being able to do this
- Reading, writing and maths activities should be encouraged at home.
   (more to follow in the upcoming slides)
- Pencil cases should be manageable size (Key Stage 2 only)
- Please encourage children to look after their belongings
- Everything should be labelled

## <u>Behaviour</u>

#### **Behaviour**

At St Joseph's we aim to create and sustain a positive, supportive and secure environment

We do this by also being **Safe**, **Ready and Respectful** of everyone in our school.

### **Our School Rights**

There are four basic rights for both adults and children in our school:

- The right to feel and be safe
- The right to learn
- The right to be treated with respect
- The right to be the person God wants me to be



### Behaviour cont.

Everyone has the responsibility to protect these rights through their own behaviour and actions.

- The responsibility to make sure others feel and are safe
- The responsibility to allow others to learn in class
- The responsibility to treat others as we would like to be treated
- The responsibility to allow others the opportunity to develop as God wants them to be

## Behaviour cont.

At St Joseph's, great emphasis is placed on rewarding good behaviour displayed by children.

**House points** will be issued for good and exceptional behaviour and work (ranging from 1 to 3 points). House points are collated at the end of each week and the winning house announced during the weekly 'Gifts from God' assembly on Fridays. The winning house over the term will be rewarded with an extra prize for their efforts.

This will be decided by the school staff i.e. additional playtime etc.

Each class will have a **recognition board** to recognise the children who are displaying positive behaviour. Safe, ready, respect.

In addition to this, one child will be chosen from each for **Good Work and also for displaying the Catholic virtues** (Catholic Schools Pupil Profile). Staff can also send a child to the Vice Principal/Principal for exceptional work.

If a child is not being safe, ready and respectful they will be reminded of the school rules by the class teacher and which of their behaviours is not following this.

There will be consequences if children are repeatedly not following the rules.

If this behaviour continues to escalate sanctions may be required and parents may be informed. In more serious incidents, Mrs McCole will be informed followed by Mr Wilkes.

### **Bullying**

All bullying will be investigated in school and dealt with appropriately

If you feel that you are being bullied - you should tell someone straight away - class teacher, a member of SLT, School councillor, putting a note in the worry box

Bullying will not be tolerated at St Joseph's



## <u>Homework</u>

- It is vital that parents **display a positive attitude to homework** and value its importance. It is also important for parents to recognise that it is the children's responsibility to complete work too.
- If parents feel that the homework is insufficient for their child's needs, they are encouraged to take responsibility for the child's learning themselves (as co-educators with the school), by visiting the local library, providing other educational opportunities by visiting local places of interest or by buying homework books from local bookshops.
- Teachers will be more than happy to provide you with a list of educational websites to help with homework and revision.
- If parents have any queries or questions about homework, they should, in the first instance, contact the child's class teacher.

#### Pupils with special educational needs

We set homework for all children as a normal part of school life. We ensure that all tasks set are
appropriate to the ability of the child. If a child has special needs, we endeavour to adapt
any task set so that all children can contribute in a positive way.

### Homework in Key Stage 2



We have a consistent approach to homework across our four Key Stage 2 classes.

- Reading should be completed every night (recommended 10 minutes) and recorded on the Boom Reader App. Children can record the name of the book and pages read themselves or an adult can do it.
- Times tables should be learnt by heart (by the end of Year 4, children should know ALL times tables up to 12 x 12 in and out of order)
- Learn the Key Instant Recall Fact (KIRFs) for each half-term.
- Any online homework, such as Education City and Times Tables Rock stars, should be completed when set. Opportunities will be provided for children who do not have access to the internet or parents should visit the local library with their children to use the computers free of charge. Children can access these resources independently even when homework is not set.
- Any other topic work/project work should be completed when set (usually over the course of a number of weeks).

## <u>Additional Information</u>



Sometimes when children enter Year 5, they will notice a jump in curriculum expectations. The reason for this is that the National Curriculum is set out in phases – Years 3/4 (Lower KS2) and Years 5/6 (Upper KS2).

Skills introduced in Year 3 are consolidated in Year 4 and the same with Years 5 and 6 - introduced in 5 and consolidated in 6.

We will obviously support children throughout their entire educational journey, but we have found that in the first few weeks of year 5, some children might say it is "hard" or "different". Please reassure them that it is normal to feel this way and they will be as brilliant as always. It just takes a little getting used to! ©

Attendance and Punctuality – It is extremely important that children are at school and in school on time every day. This will ensure that no vital learning or support groups are missed.

**Residential** – Year 5 tend to go on a retreat residential to Alton Castle. This usually takes place in the Summer Term for 3 days and 2 nights. More information to follow with dates/prices.

**Behaviour** – We are currently reviewing the school's behaviour management system and will be following the current best practice in this area of education. Further details will be announced at the beginning of the new school year and will be incorporated into our school's behaviour policy. **The key principles of this approach will centre around positive reinforcement including the recognition and reward of children making the right choices.** 





In year 5, we ask children to take responsibility for ALL of their own equipment. Below is the list of equipment you will need.

### Essentials you will need:

Blue pens\*

Pencils

Rubbers

Pencil sharpener

Ruler

A manageable sized pencil case to put them in!

Water bottle

Dry wipe markers for whiteboard work

Green highlighter

Glue sticks

Purple pens for editing

<sup>\*</sup> Blue biros are fine in Year 5, they don't need to be the school pens or fountain pens. All children can write with a biro from September but if their handwriting is not legible or presentable, they will be asked to revert back to a pencil until it is.

## And Finally ...



Year 5 is going to be a great year. I cannot wait to welcome you all back to St Joseph's and start our learning journey together. I know there are lots of things to remember and it will be very busy, full of new learning, but we will have lots of fun and laughs along the way!

I hope you all have a happy, safe summer and I look forward to seeing you and your child next term. If you have any further questions, please contact school through the school <a href="mailto:info\_stjosephs@emmausmac.com">info\_stjosephs@emmausmac.com</a> email address! ©

Miss Lawson

### Things you can do to prepare for Year 5:

**Practice your times tables!!** You need them for nearly **every** Maths topic in Year 5. Chant/say them or play some online games.

Hit the Button - Quick fire maths practise for 6-11 year olds (topmarks.co.uk)

<u>Daily 10 - Mental Maths Challenge - Topmarks</u>

Times tables collection - BBC Teach

Keep reading! **Good readers make good writers.** Remember: reading can be story books, comics, joke books, information books, song lyrics etc. Try to explore lots of different types and genres.

Work on your **handwriting**, **presentation** (including drawing lines, margins, underlining using a ruler) and **punctuation/grammar**. Take a look at the previous years' terminology on the next few slides.



### Year 4 **Vocabulary, Grammar and Punctuation**

### Word

I can

- recognise the difference between plural and possessive -s
- · use standard English in speech and writing

### Sentence

I can

- add adjectives, nouns and prepositions to give more detail
- use fronted adverbials

#### Text

I can

 use paragraphs to organise my ideas choose appropriate pronouns or nouns to help my writing flow

### **Punctuation**

I can

- use inverted commas and other punctuation to indicate direct speech
- use apostrophes to show plural possession
- use commas after fronted adverbials

### I can talk about my work using these words

pronoun

possessive pronoun

adverbial



## Year 3 Vocabulary, Grammar and Punctuation

### Word

I can

- make nouns using prefixes
- use a or an appropriately by looking at the first letter of a word
- recognise word families

### Sentence

I can

- express time, place and cause using conjunctions
- express time, place and cause using adverbs
- express time, place and cause using prepositions

### Text

I can

- use paragraphs to group information
- use headings and sub-headings
- · use the present perfect form of verbs

### **Punctuation**

I can

- · recognise direct speech
- use inverted commas to punctuate direct speech

## I can talk about my work using these words

preposition cor

conjunction

word family

clause

subordinate clause

consonant

consonant letter

vowel

vowel letter

prefix

inverted commas/speech marks

## Year 2 Vocabulary, Grammar and Punctuation

### Word

#### I can

- make nouns and adjectives using suffixes
- make compound words
- compare using -er and -est
- use -ly to make adverbs

### **Sentence**

#### I can

- extend my sentences using if, that, because
- extend my sentences using or, but
- use adjectives to describe nouns recognise statements, questions, exclamations and commands

#### Text

I can

- use past and present tense correctly
- use verbs to show actions in progress

### **Punctuation**

I can

- · use capital letters, full stops, question marks and
- exclamation marks
- use commas in a list
- · use apostrophes to show that a letter is missing
- use apostrophes to show that something belongs to somebody

## I can talk about my work using these words

noun noun phrase

suffix

statement

compound

verb

command

question

comma

adjective

adverb

tense

apostrophe

## Year 1 Vocabulary, Grammar and Punctuation

### Word I can

- add -s to make words plural
- · add -ing, -ed and -er
- add un-

### Sentence

I can

 use and join words together to make a sentence

### Text I can

put sentences together

### Punctuation I can

- separate words with spaces
- use a capital letter for I, and at the beginning of sentences
- · use full stops .
- use exclamation marks!

## I can talk about my work using these words

letter sentence

word

capital letter

singular

plural

punctuation

question mark

exclamation mark

full stop