



# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

## Reception Newsletter

Autumn Term  
18<sup>th</sup> November 2016

### Focus for Autumn 2



### Changing of the seasons

### Mystery Reader

Reception are going to start inviting a 'Mystery Reader' to come and share a story in the afternoon. This can be mums, dads, aunties, uncles, grandparents, the most important element is that it is a surprise! This will be one of the highlights of the week and we urge you to put your name down and take part. If you would like to be a 'Mystery Reader' you can sign up at the school office in the Catherine Kasper building with Mrs Ricketts. We look forward to seeing you!

### Birthday Celebrations

From now on to celebrate your child's birthday we ask that you refrain from sending in sweets, instead please donate a book to your child's class to be shared on their special day. By doing so, it will promote the love of reading to the children and make your child feel special on their birthday. You are welcome to come into your child's classroom in the afternoon and read it. Please note that the book of choice can be of a different language. Thank you.

### Home Learning

This week the children will be reading the story 'The Naughty Bus'. They will draw their favourite part of the story and use their sounds to write about it.

Encourage writing in your home by having pens, pencils, crayons and paper available.

The children will be learning about 3D shapes.

Go on a 3D shape hunt with your child at home or at the park.

The children will be recreating the city scene from 'The Naughty Bus' using 3D shapes and junk modelling resources.

Encourage your child to use their imagination to recreate different things using recyclable materials.

### Nursery Rhyme Nativity

Thank you for helping your child learn the songs for the Nursery Rhyme Nativity. Please continue to do so. Also, if your child has chosen to be a speaker could you please help them practise their lines at home. Please see the dates below for your child's performance date and time.

- Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm – **RT** Christmas production
- Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm – **RJ** Christmas production
- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm – **RS** Christmas production



### Friendly reminders



Please remember to:

- Check your child's book bag daily for important notices.
- Label your child's school uniform.
- Attach elastic to your child's gloves so that they do not lose them.
- Arrange focus week meetings with your child's classroom teacher if it has been their focus week.
- Let your child's teacher/school office know if there is someone new collecting your child after school.
- Return the Travelling Nativity Bag with your child the next morning if they have brought it home for the night.