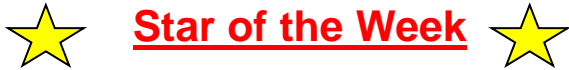


St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Nursery Newsletter



Autumn Term
28th November 2016



Star of the Week

Last week, our Star of the Week was..

Anne-Marie

Well done, Anne-Marie! You were superb at tapping out rhythms during our singing time.

Book of the Week



Our story this week is the fabulous Julia Donaldson story, '**Stick Man**'. This story presents so many rich opportunities for language and learning. Please do find a copy in the local library to share with your child.

Religious Education



God's Family: The First Sunday of Advent

The children will be learning about Advent as a special time of preparation; when they will be finding out more about Jesus and becoming closer to Him.

Please show your child the Advent Wreath in Church and talk about how a new candle is lit each week, as we prepare for Christmas. During your special prayer times together, you could start to read a simple version of the Nativity to your child.

Song of the Week

Let's Follow the Star, Follow the Star,
Follow the Star, let's go far away.
Let's Follow the Star, Follow the Star,
Follow the Star, it will lead the way,



Key Worker Meetings

We are continuing to invite Parents/Carers to meet with their child's Key Worker, to discuss their child's settling and progress .

Your child will have their own Focus Week before we meet. During this time, we will be gathering extra information about their interests and progress. You will be notified by letter when it is your child's Focus Week . When you receive the letter, please approach your child's Key Worker to arrange a time when it is convenient for you to attend the meeting.

Please remember, we have an 'open door' policy here in our Nursery. You do not have to wait until your child's Key Worker Meeting if you have any information you wish to share, questions or concerns.
Thank you!

Supporting learning at home

This week we will continue to encourage the children to mark make in the context of activities, eg. making lists. When you are writing your shopping list, why not encourage your child to draw pictures / 'write' a list of their own! Their marks will be purposeful and will have real meaning to them. You could even allow your child to choose one item, eg. an apple, that they are allowed to buy from their own shopping list!

We will also be;

Exploring what happens to different objects when they are dropped in water – do they float or sink? You might like to use bath time as an opportunity to discuss toys that float and those that sink straight to the bottom of the bath! Can they sort them?

Counting sticks and other real objects. –Scatter some lolly sticks. What would make them easier to count? Encourage your child to line them up and count slowly, pointing to each stick as they say the number.

Donations

Please would you kindly send in junk modelling boxes – of all shapes and sizes -for our 'Santa's Workshop'. We are also looking for spare Christmas wrapping paper, ribbon, string, gift tags, envelopes, sticky tape, etc.

In addition to the above, we would really appreciate a range of cylinder shaped containers, eg. Pringles tubes.
Many thanks!