

Head Teachers Message

Dear Parents and Careers,

May I wish you all a very Happy New Year and I hope that you all had a restful Christmas with family and Friends.

The Lent term is now underway and we are already seeing a rise in COVID cases throughout our school community. Please remain vigilant and follow the Government Guidance.

The children have had a fantastic start to the Lent Term and are working incredibly hard. Their books are looking great and I have been discussing their learning with them. They are definitely remembering more.

The children are also enjoying their reading and enthusiasm has grown exponentially. They are loving the quiz element and there is a lot of progress being made. Well Done children and thank you for prioritising reading at home too.

Unfortunately due to the Virus we have not been able to resume all of the after school clubs. Please keep an eye on your parentmail for further updates.

You should have also received a link to our parent meeting booking system and in light of the current COVID situation we will be doing our parents meetings online this term. Thank you for your support.

As Always, please get in touch if there is anything you need to discuss or if you have any thoughts of how we can improve our fabulous school further.

Stay Safe, God Bless

Mrs Dedman

COVID Guidance for Parents

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

People who are fully vaccinated, or children and young people aged between 5 and 18 years and 6 months, identified as a close contact of someone with COVID-19, should take an LFD test every day for seven days and continue to attend their setting as normal, unless they have a positive test result or develop symptoms at any time



Guidance on how to look after your mental health and well-being

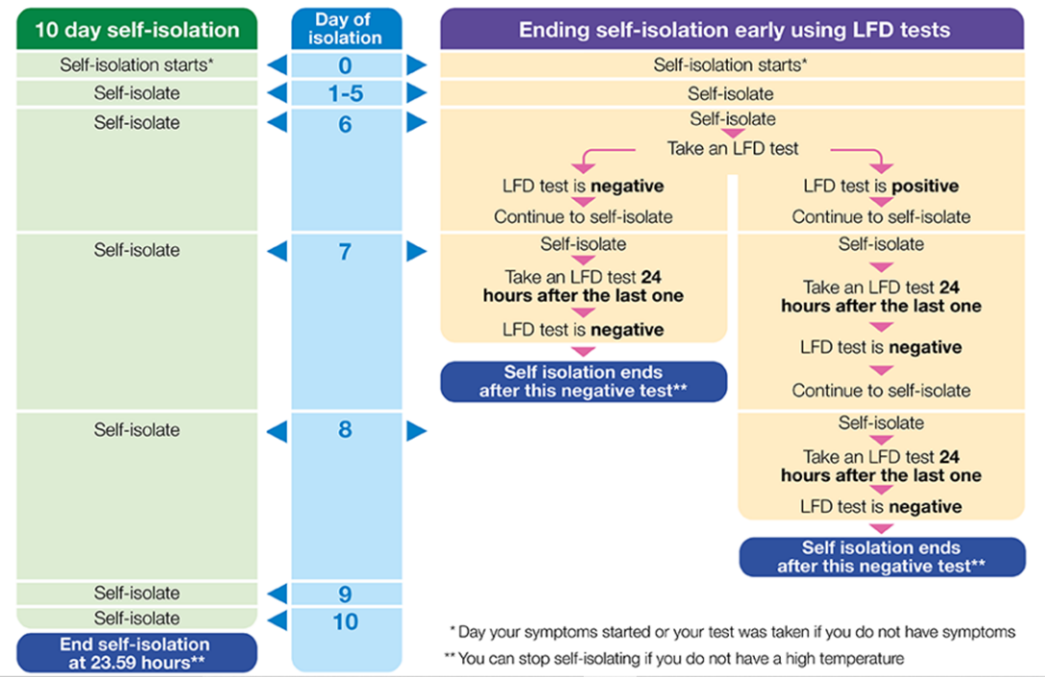
<https://www.nhs.uk/every-mind-matters/>



Guidance on how to get boosted

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/get-boosted-now>

New isolation rules for those who test positive for Covid-19



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Newsbite
Week Ending Friday 14th January 2022

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In English, Miss O’Gorman’s class have started to look at information texts. We have been looking at samples of non-chronological reports and instructions. We looked at their differences and similarities in preparation for writing our own, based on our new topic, ‘Earthlings’.

Keep up to date with What’s happening at school by checking out our Twitter Feed @StJoseLeicester

Don’t forget to bring a coat



Its getting colder—Please remember to bring your coats for Break time and Lunch and an Outdoor PE Kit



Congratulations to all of the Children who received work of the Week and Child of the Week Certificates Last Week.
Keep up the Hard Work.



What a Performance. Thank You to the children in Foundation and KS1 for two exceptional Nativities. We hope you enjoyed watching these with your families at home.



Chocolate Raffle
Thank You to all who participated in the chocolate Raffle.
We raised £ 255 for CAFOD
We have bought 2 Chirpy Chickens, 2 Goats, 2 Energy Saving Stoves, Forest School, 4 Happy Queen Bees, 4 Trees for Life and Water for a Family.

Collective Worship
The children in EYFS shared their learning about Epiphany in Assembly last Week. We were very impressed with the Crowns that they had made.
The Children in KS2 continue to plan ad deliver beautiful, reflective class liturgies which are enjoyed by their classes. Thank You.



When pupils arrive late, they miss out on essential instructions given at the beginning of the lesson. This can significantly reduce achievement, regardless of academic ability. Children may also feel awkward arriving to the classroom when everyone else is settled. Furthermore, when one pupil arrives late, it disrupts the entire class and the teacher.



Christmas Preparations are Underway

Attendance

Week Beginning		Week Beginning	
5th January 2022		10th January 2022	
Year	Attendance %	Year	Attendance %
Mrs Bailey	77.38	Mrs Bailey	88.57
Mrs Spencer	94.87	Mrs Spencer	89.23
Mrs Cartwright	98.33	Mrs Cartwright	97.89
Mrs Abel	94.73	Mrs Abel	94.75
Miss Standish	95.61	Miss Standish	88.42
Mrs Darby	97.61	Mrs Darby	92.14
Mr Challoner	91.93	Mr Challoner	95.16
Mr Skye	92.47	Mr Skye	90
Miss O’Gorman	95	Miss O’Gorman	95.66
Mrs Murray	83.33	Mrs Murray	93.59

Diary Dates

Tuesday 18th January 2022	Mrs Abel’s and Miss Standish to Visit the Space Centre, Leicester.
Wednesday 19th January 2022	Cinderella Performance (In school) All Children
Friday 21st January 2022	Lourdes Day
Thursday 27th January	Year EYFS and Year 6 Height and Weight
Friday 11th February	Wear Blue for CAFOD

Parish Links

Don’t forget to attend Mass on Sunday,
STREAMED MASS CONTINUES
Realising that many are still cautious of coming back to public mass Fr John is continuing with streaming his private **Sunday Mass at 10.30 am** on our [YouTube Channel](#). We shall also be streaming the weekday public mass on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
<https://www.stjoseph-leicester.co.uk/>
<https://www.stjoseph-leicester.co.uk/#ParishYouTube>
<https://www.stjoseph-leicester.co.uk/our-news#DiocesanNews>
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