



### Berkshire County Athletics Competition



★ This week 4 year 7 pupils took part in the Berkshire County Athletics competition after winning their event at Slough district athletics the previous week. All pupils performed well and had a great experience.

Congratulations to Sam who came 2nd in the shot put. ★



## FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

Hope you are all safe and well.

My weekly message is in video format. Please do take a listen and let us know what you think, any feedback is welcome.

**Please find below the link to our website to view my message:**

<https://www.st-josephs.slough.sch.uk/assets/Documents/Letters/Newsletter-240622-11.m4v>

St Joseph, pray for us

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### **Important Notice**

Please see the attached letter with the Proposed Curriculum and Timings of the Day Change from September 2022

### **Shaggy Calf Lane – Parking Suspension**

Dear Parents/carers,

Local resident has informed us the school that parking on Shaggy Calf Lane has been suspended all day. Additional congestion is expected particularly during 9.15am – 11.15am.

Please be aware parking may be difficult on this date.

## THEME OF THE WEEK – Being Sent

Our theme this week is 'Being Sent'. Jesus in the Gospel sends out the 72 in pairs to witness and proclaim the Good News of Jesus. We too have been sent out by Jesus to witness and to proclaim the Good News. He gives the 72 some instruction to go without anything, and to greet everyone with peace. He also gives instruction to walk away when they are not welcomed. It can be challenging at times when we are witnessing to our faith and proclaiming the Good News of Jesus.

**Are we ready to go out on mission to witness and proclaim to others of the Good News of Jesus?**

**In what ways can we witness to our faith?**

Within Jesus' instruction to the 72, we get a sense for the need to be humble in our work that He has called us and sent us out to do. We go on gently and humbly with our work, giving all praise in thanksgiving back to God. If we are not welcomed, then we simply walk on. We do the best that we can, and God will do the rest. It is He who gives us the strength and the words in which to say. We need only to ask Him to help us and to fill us with His Spirit.

We read too in the Gospel Jesus saying; "rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven" (Luke 10:20) – Jesus says this at the end of the Gospel reading, to celebrate the love of God – He who knows you by name. We must rejoice by giving the glory to God. In all things, God gives us great gifts.

**What does it mean to you to know that your name is written in heaven?**

**In what ways can you give the glory back to God?**

The theme from last week of 'Discernment' links very well with this week's theme of 'Being Sent'. We must discern where Jesus is calling us and to where He is sending us. How do we discern where Jesus is calling and sending us? It is through prayer and listening. In our everyday actions, we discern and reflect on what we are good at, on what we like or do not like, our interests, our hobbies etc. It is in these moments too that we are discerning. But we must keep the Lord in our discerning, to ask Him of what He wants of us, and for us to share with Him our thoughts, reflections and decisions.

## Being Sent

Weekly Reflections  
4<sup>th</sup> July 2022



### A reading from St Luke's Gospel

**Luke 10:1-12, 17-20**

The Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them out ahead of him, in pairs, to all the towns and places he himself was to visit. He said to them, 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few, so ask the Lord of the harvest to send labourers to his harvest. Start off now, but remember, I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Carry no purse, no haversack, no sandals. Salute no one on the road. 'Whatever house you go into, let your first words be, "Peace to this house!" And if a man of peace lives there, your peace will go and rest on him; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in the same house, taking what food and drink they have to offer, for the labourer deserves his wages; do not move from house to house. 'Whenever you go into a town where they make you welcome, eat what is set before you. Cure those in it who are sick, and say, "The kingdom of God is very near to you." But whenever you enter a town and they do not make you welcome, go out into its streets and say, "We wipe off the very dust of your town that clings to our feet, and leave it with you. Yet be sure of this: the kingdom of God is very near." I tell you, on that day it will not go as hard with Sodom as with that town.' The seventy-two came back rejoicing. 'Lord,' they said 'even the devils submit to us when we use your name.' He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Yes, I have given you power to tread underfoot serpents and scorpions and the whole strength of the enemy; nothing shall ever hurt you. Yet do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you; rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven.'

### Day 1

Our theme this week is 'Being Sent' as we read in the Gospel Jesus sending out the 72 in pairs to proclaim the Good News of Jesus. He gives them some instruction to go without anything, and to greet everyone with peace. He also gives instruction to walk away when they are not welcomed. It can be challenging at times when we are witnessing to our faith and proclaiming the Good News of Jesus.

- What is the Good News of Jesus?
- In what ways can you proclaim the Good News?

### Day 2

'rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven' – Jesus says this at the end of the Gospel reading, to celebrate the love of God – He who knows you by name. We must rejoice by giving the glory to God. In all things, God gives us great gifts.

- What does it mean to you to know that your name is written in heaven?
- In what ways can you give the glory back to God?

### Day 5

Lord Jesus, as you send us out to proclaim the Good News today, will us with the right words to say, and show us who needs to hear of your love.  
Amen.

### Prayer for the Week

Lord God, let me not be separated from You today. Help me to choose to do Your will today and may everything I do be good and according to Your Holy Will. May I be of benefit to my family, friends, neighbours, and the entire community. Amen.

### Day 3

**St Elizabeth of Portugal  
(4<sup>th</sup> July)**

*Father of peace and love, you gave Saint Elizabeth the gift of reconciling enemies. By the help of her prayers give us the courage to work for peace among all people, that we may be called the sons and daughters of God. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

### Day 4 Being Sent

We are each called by God to go out and to witness to our faith. At the end of each Mass, we are sent out to tell others of what we have heard and of what we have experienced. Where are you being sent to tell others about the love of God, and about Jesus? Ask Jesus to help you to discern where you are being sent.



## Academic Review Day 2

Just a reminder that Academic Review Day will be on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July. A letter has been sent home regarding this. Please complete the reply slip to make an appointment and send in to your child's form tutor.

## Catholic Life

We are always looking to review the Catholic Life provisions provided here at St Joseph's so it is always important to us to engage with parents to find out their thoughts and views on this. Below is a link to a Microsoft Teams questionnaire. Please can I ask all parents to complete by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July.

<https://forms.office.com/r/YfJusSk5C5>

## Free school meals

### Am I eligible for free school meals?

You will be able to claim free school meals for your child if you receive one of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit (provided you have a net income from employment of no more than £7400 per year). For more information on how the government calculates your earnings from employment whilst claiming Universal Credit, please check the "Eligibility under Universal Credit" section below.
- Income Support
- Income based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

<https://www.slough.gov.uk/xfp/form/244>

Mr J Gibbons



## Rewards Screen



Mrs R Dann

## Literacy - Word and Idiom of the Week

The Word for the Week is **'vision'**. This is a noun that has two uses:

- The faculty or state of being able to see.

*For example, "The van was in the way and had blocked her vision".*

- The ability to think about or plan the future with imagination or wisdom.

*For example, "The organisation did not have a clear vision of what they wanted to achieve in the next year".*

Vision is important. The consideration of how you want your future to be helps you to think more clearly about the actions you need to take in the present in order to get there.

The Idiom of the Week is **'honesty is the best policy'**. This means that it is better to tell the truth than to tell a lie, no matter the consequences.

Mr G Stack-Clark

## YEAR 12 NEWS

A big well done to all of year 12 for your conduct during the exams over the last few weeks. 6<sup>th</sup> form uniform is looking very smart and punctuality is improving. Throughout this year, they have made such a difference and responded well to the changes in flipped learning and behaviour systems. On Wednesday all of year 12 were treated to a surprise pizza party for all their hard work.

Now is a good time for year 12 to make a start on their UCAS applications and personal statements. Think about supercurricular opportunities and include information on work experience to make applications stand out from other candidates. If they need further support, please contact Mrs Bray or their form tutor.

### Important dates coming up:

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| <b>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July</b> | - Sports day                                  |
| <b>Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July</b>  | - Awards evening                              |
| <b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July</b>    | – PSHE Period 1<br>Electives program period 5 |
| <b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July</b>   | - Academic review day                         |
| <b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July</b> | - Thorpe Park rewards trip                    |

Have a great week

Mrs Bray

## MFL NEWS

### Spanish Club

*Mondays 3-4pm*

Join us in T5 Mondays after school to revise, learn more with the help of our Sixth Form expert!

Sign up NOW with your tutor or Spanish teacher.

Miss M. Toro Sanchez

## House Assemblies

This week, the Heads of House delivered assemblies about Discernment. Pupils examined examples of how others show good judgement, and were encouraged to incorporate those in their daily lives.

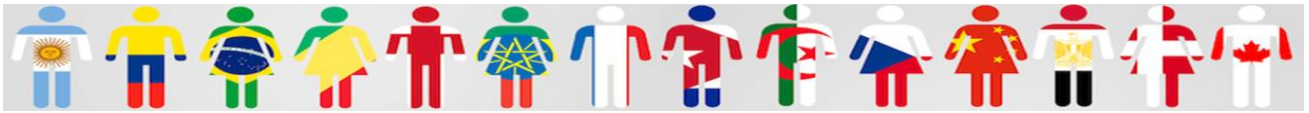
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## DIARY FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

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| Monday 4    | Yr 8, 9 & 10 Vaccinations (Drama) |
| Tuesday 5   | Year 11 Prom (CCU)                |
| Wednesday 6 | SPORTS DAY                        |
| Friday 8    | PSHE lesson 1                     |





## EAL NEWS (English as an Additional Language)

**EAL Social Club** will be for year 8, 9 and 10 (Week 2) remember it is Chat & Chew so come with your lunch. Well done to all the students that completed their Proficiency Baseline Assessment this week. Please use your login to start your independent learning at home. I will always be happy to help.

[J.Ura@st-josephs.slough.sch.uk](mailto:J.Ura@st-josephs.slough.sch.uk)

### Do You Know?

It is widely accepted that when parents and families are involved in their child's education, they do better at school and have better feelings and a more positive attitude about learning. By learning together as a family, and making it part of your daily life, it shows you value education and that learning can be enjoyable.

Here are some ideas to help you be a positive role model for learning and help your kids develop a love of learning.

- **Read together:** Look for time to read together and talk about the books you read.
- **Tell stories:** create time to tell stories from your childhood.
- **Give books:** Give your child a book for the holidays. It does not have to be new-visit your local library.

### Free Online resources

This is a useful website for learning English and for help with homework: Learn English Teens,

<https://learnenglishteens.britishcouncil.org/>

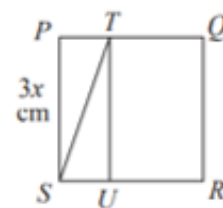




# #IcandoMaths

## Solution to last Week's Puzzler

- E** Let square  $PQRS$  have side  $3x$  cm. Then, as  $PT : TQ = 1 : 2$ ,  $PT = x$  cm. Similarly,  $US = x$  cm. In triangles  $PTS$  and  $UST$ ,  $PT = US$ ,  $\angle PTS = \angle UST$  (alternate angles) and  $TS$  is common to both. So the triangles are congruent (SAS). Therefore  $UT = PS = 3x$  cm and  $\angle TUS = \angle SPT = 90^\circ$ . Hence  $PTUS$  is a rectangle, which has perimeter 40 cm. So  $40 = 2(3x + x) = 8x$ . Therefore  $x = 5$  and the area of  $PTUS$ , in  $\text{cm}^2$ , is  $15 \times 5 = 75$ .



## Solution to the Break time Teaser:

$$\mathbf{D} \quad \frac{2}{5} + \frac{2}{50} + \frac{2}{500} = \frac{200 + 20 + 2}{500} = \frac{222}{500} = \frac{444}{1000} = 0.444.$$

## Problem of the week

The line with equation  $y = 2x + 3$  is reflected in the  $x$ -axis. Which of the following is the equation of the new line?

- A  $y = 2x - 3$       B  $y = -2x + 3$       C  $x = 2y + 3$       D  $y = \frac{1}{2}x + 3$       E  $y = -2x - 3$

## Break time Teaser:

Kai has begun to list, in ascending order, the positive integers which are *not* factors of 240. What is the sixth number on Kai's list?

- A 11      B 13      C 14      D 15      E 17

Send your answers to Mr Allinson. Complete answers will get positive points on Class Charts.

# PUPIL NOMINATIONS OF THE WEEK

## YEAR 7

**Alessia Celorico-Jones** (7M) for being generous and kind in French lessons.  
**Afonso Reis Gomes** (7T) for being a great role model student in French lessons.  
**Oliwier Remfeld** and **Wiktoria Szymczyk** (7J) for showing curiosity and motivation in Spanish.  
**Taia Butler** and **Michał Kundys** for their intentional attitude to learning.

## YEAR 8

**Dominik Maslach** (8V) for excellent work and ATL in Spanish throughout the year.  
**Keira Webster** (8J) and **Olivia Seweryn** (8V) for resilience.

## YEAR 9

**Sandra Kszczot** for being attentive and kind.

## YEAR 12

**Nathan Dodoo** for organising Peter House sports day team and **Maxi Palczewski** for being learned and wise in product design.