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DIARY OF EVENTS – AUTUMN 2009

OCTOBER

26th – 30th HALF TERM

NOVEMBER

5 th	9.15 am Yr 5 Class Assembly
6 th	9.15 am Yr 4 and Yr 2 Class Mass
12 th	9.15 am Yr 6 Class Assembly

Dear Parents

The dates above cover the important events in the schools calendar for the second half of the autumn term. You will also find all newsletters on St Joseph's website

Parent's Questionnaire

Please find attached the feedback from the recent Parent's Questionnaire that was sent out last month. Thank you to all parents who responded.

Harvest Festival

A big thank you to everyone who made donations to our Harvest Festival. The Salvation Army were delighted to receive your generous donations.

School Meals – New Autumn Menu

Please find attached the new 3 Week Autumn Menu. As the weather is now getting colder, there will be a choice of 2 hot meals. PLEASE could you inform the office, via your child's contact book, if you wish your child to change from packed lunch to school dinners. A full weeks notice is required for any changes.

Global Citizenship Day

Following last week's very successful Global Citizenship Day, we raised a total of £192.66. This money will be sent to the Pestalozzi International Village, a charity dedicated to the education of talented young people from disadvantaged backgrounds in the developing world. Thank you

Love in a Box

Just a reminder to say that all boxes need to be back at school by 5th November. Thank you in advance for your support.

Primary Admissions 2010

If your child is born between 1st September 2005 and 31st August 2006 they will be due to start school in the Autumn of 2010. The Bexley Common Application Forms (CAF) will be available from the school office from the 2nd November. Supplementary Admission Forms will



also be available either on line at the website address above or from the school office. The deadline for completion of the forms is 29th January 2010.

Gardening Club

We have had a very good response for additional volunteers for our After School Gardening Club. We will now be running a 'rota system' giving all parents an opportunity to support the club.

Children being dropped off before school

Please could I remind parents that children are not to be dropped off at school before 8.30 am as no staff are available to supervise children before this time.

School Council Help

If there is a parent with wood working skills who would be willing to become involved in a small project with the School Council, please contact Miss Sharp. Thank you.

Privacy Notice – Data Protection Act 1988

Please find attached a Privacy Notice giving details of what type of information we hold about your child(ren).

Poppy Appeal

The school will be selling poppies on behalf of the Royal British Legion Poppies will be on sale to the children from Monday 2nd November.

Hope you all have a good half term break. Children return on Monday 2nd November 2009.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

Miss P Reen
Head Teacher



St Josephs Catholic Primary School 2009

Results Of Parents Survey 34 Questionnaires Returned

Question	Response			
How well do you feel your child(ren) has been cared for, physically and emotionally?	<u>Very Well</u> 70%	<u>Well</u> 24%	<u>Reasonably Well</u> 6%	
Which projects have proved a positive experience for your child(ren)?	<u>Sharing Assemblies</u> 22	<u>Activities Week</u> 16	<u>Education Visits/Theatre Trips</u> 25	<u>Environmental Days</u> 24
How approachable do you feel the school has been?	<u>Very</u> 65%	<u>Quite</u> 35%	<u>Not At All</u> 0%	
How good do you feel your child(ren)'s support with learning has been this year?	<u>Very Good</u> 44%	<u>Good</u> 50%	<u>Satisfactory</u> 6%	<u>Insufficient</u> 0%
Which of the following activities has been enjoyed by your child(ren) this year?	<u>Gardening</u> 8	<u>Sewing</u> 0	<u>Computer</u> 2	<u>Performing Arts</u> 5
	<u>Netball</u> 0	<u>Cookery</u> 0	<u>Rounders</u> 0	<u>Arts & Crafts</u> 6
How much were the ICT facilities enjoyed by your child(ren) this year?	<u>Very Much</u> 65%	<u>Quite A Lot</u> 35%		<u>Not At All</u> 0%
Please comment on how effective you found the written communications from school e.g. newsletters or termly overviews.	<u>Very Effective</u> 68%	<u>Effective</u> 32%		<u>Ineffective</u> 0%
Do you think homework has supported your child(ren)'s learning?	<u>Very Much</u> 61%	<u>Sufficiently</u> 36%		<u>Not Enough</u> 3%
How good do you think your child(ren)'s motivation has been?	<u>Very Good</u> 53%	<u>Quite Good</u> 44%		<u>Not Good At All</u> 3%
Do you feel that the workshops for parents, opportunities to discuss your child progress and Parent meetings have helped you provide support at home for your child(ren)'s learning?	<u>Yes</u> 90%		<u>No</u> 10%	

<p>We have offered parents various opportunities to become involved in the life of the school/parish e.g. class assemblies, class masses, sports days, music concerts and end of term productions. Do you think these have been effective?</p>	<p><u>Very</u> 69%</p>		<p><u>Fairly</u> 25%</p>		<p><u>Not Very</u> 6%</p>	
<p>Which musical activities have been particularly enjoyed by your child(ren) this year?</p>	<p><u>Music Lessons In Class</u> 22</p>	<p><u>Drums</u> 1</p>	<p><u>Learning Concert Songs</u> 4</p>	<p><u>Choir</u> 6</p>		
	<p><u>Orchestra</u> 4</p>	<p><u>Recorders</u> 11</p>	<p><u>Other Specialist Instruments</u> 4</p>	<p><u>Any Others You Would Like</u> 1</p>		
<p>Which sports activities or events have been particularly enjoyable for your child(ren)?</p>	<p><u>Orienteering Activities</u> 0</p>	<p><u>Football Club</u> 13</p>	<p><u>Swimming</u> 5</p>	<p><u>Netball Club</u> 0</p>		
	<p><u>Rounders Club</u> 0</p>	<p><u>Sports Day</u> 23</p>	<p><u>Any others You Would Like</u> 2</p>			