Our Lady & St Joseph Primary School Newsletter

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Dear parents: ... Newsletter back to Friday this week ... hope to be able to email it to everyone soon so that you can read what a load of old rubbish I regularly write about and all my sporting predictions, recipes, book and film recommendations, musings on Brexit the Budget, West Ham and life in general. My brother lives near Middlesbrough so it is an area I know well ...OK he lives on the posh part of the North Yorkshire Moors. My hero of the week is the headteacher of St. Joseph's Catholic primary who put the sign up below this week. I wanted to send her a thank you card and apparently all the parents were really happy with this sign, its a wonderful idea. As I have also been reading the new book, Irresistible: Why we can't stop checking, scrolling, clicking and watching by Adam Alter. He describes in his words the "addiction" of mobile phones. Having seen on the Tube in the last two days one young Asian guy walk into a fixed sign while staring at his phone and worst of all the lift at Tufnell Park station becoming dangerously overcrowded as

School news this week !!!

MondaySigns of Spring

Tuesday

Wednesday .. Year 2 assembly well done Ms Claire Walsh pics to follow.

Thursday ... Fr. Michael Lent Early Years Liturgy our thanks to him.

Friday new Interactive whiteboard training you will be amazed when you see

Saturday Karate Grading 10.00am



people were fixated on their screens and could not hear people like me shouting "stop pushing!!" because they had

headphones on. A crush developed as people moved lemming like forward. So yes well done St Joseph's in Middlesbrough ...wonder how much those signs cost ??? Two would look nice !!! Love 'em, what do you think?

School news next week!!!

Mondayassembly Saints

Tuesday ... Y5 Personal Best

Wednesday .. Reception assembly 9.15am all welcome

Thursday ... Y1 and Y2 Lenten Liturgy.

Year 1 on trip to Little Angel Puppet Theatre

Friday ... St Patrick's Day ...enough said. "Nuff said".

School Building and Governors Fund...

Huge rise 3 families since last time + £320 upwards.

Total = £ 4.550.00 138 out of 166 families have

contributed so 83% of all families. Only 28 families to still support the school in 2017 or let us know you cannot or do not intend to pay anything to help us maintain your child's school building and premises. Best year ever....

New on the website.....

Ms Sarah Woodhouse and myself have been busy uploading content ... World Book Day our new Gardens, Trees and Flowers section, After School Club News and Events .. Visitors and new Free School Meals and eligibility link.

Secondary transfer updates

Of the admissions announced last week only 11 or around 35% of our Year 6 went to Catholic secondary schools. Academies and changing times. 10 years ago it was still 100%. Full list next week

Attendance ...

Well done to Year 3 on 99.33% attendance and most punctual class is Year 5 so well done to them. Some new things happening around rewards for attendance that I picked up from doing lots of Ofsted inspections recently. You get to see all over London and magpie the best ideas to maintain our outstanding status and high attendance is key.

Rock and Roll Bingo Night

Friday 24th March 7-9pm all Bingo Music Games and fish and chips and drinks etc £10.00 admit 1. Adults only. From PA all towards our Science Dome project details to follow. Tickets on sale at the office:





and finally ... just left one of our contractors putting in a new gate told me he used to train Sean Garratt the Lincoln player who scored against Burnley, his other mate was a Tottenham fan so all you Arsenal fans watch out Saturday our Daily Mile will, I have been faithfully promised be laid soon interesting about Secondary Transfer and the changing nature of London schools anyway put those addictive phones away this weekend out of reach and talk to each other you'll find its quite nice ..and don't give in to tantrums, not from your children but your partner St Patricks Day next week some great events lined up hope I'm around, on call from Ofsted enjoy the Calcutta Cup too!