END OF YEAR – NEWSLETTER FOR PARENTS

The final week has arrived, which of course is extremely busy: sports day, Year 6 play, Leavers mass to name just a few.

I hope that you have all received your child’s report, they are always lovely to read and reaffirm what wonderful children we have here at St Joseph’s, what brilliant things the teachers plan for them and how we should be very proud of all our children.

The results in Reception and Year 2 were very pleasing and what we had predicted. The phonic results in Year 1 were above what we had predicted, we received 89% pass in phonics, a brilliant effort from all involved.

Year 6 results saw St Joseph’s achieve **ABOVE NATIONAL** in **all areas** for the **FOURTH** year running.

It makes me so proud when teachers and students pull together and succeed. All we ask is that children try their best, attend school and behave and these results and the Ofsted judgment are testament to all the hard work of everybody who works at St Joseph’s. We can go forward in September planning new and exciting ventures knowing we are a great school who give our children a wonderful start in life and great opportunities.

As well as a busy and rewarding time, the end of the year sometimes has to bring sad farewells. We say on Friday, goodbye to Miss Crowther, who after 6 years of being a wonderful teaching assistant is taking the leap to teach English and Drama at Secondary School, we wish her well and know that this is a role she will excel in.

Unfortunately, after 14 years Mrs McGuiness is leaving and taking up a new Parental role at Laycock School. I am sure many parents will be sad to see her leave and I know she has helped lots of parents as well as children over the years. We wish her luck in her new role and we shall miss her.

In September, we will be letting you know how all parents can get involved in school life; what workshops, groups, activities are available, we want to keep on building on the good work already set.

Have a safe and wonderful holiday. I shall see you all **Tuesday** 3rd September.

Mr Arnold

Head of School.