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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Willow Class!

For those that I have not yet met; My name is Mrs Garnett and I have worked at St Joseph's for over 10 years. I am currently Willow Class' teacher, Key Stage One lead as well as leading Maths in school. In Willow Class, there will be myself along with Mrs Barrett and Miss Brown. I currently work 4 days per week and will be off each Thursday to look after my little boy, Ted. On Thursdays, Miss Clarkson will teach Willow Class.

Hopefully you had a lovely summer, it is so lovely to be back at school this week, the children have already settled well and are back into the swing of things after today! They have been making me so proud with their attitudes and enthusiasm so far - what a great start to the school year. Below is some information about our class.

Reading Books

Like in Reception, reading at school will take place three times a week during our Three Reads sessions, your child will read their book with an adult in school then it will go into their book bags to be read at home too. The Friday book has an orange circle on the back and is part of a set of 6 books, therefore it is vitally important that this book is returned to school and in good condition so that we can continue our reading sessions. Your child will also receive a reading for pleasure book every Tuesday which can be kept until the following Tuesday when it will be changed. Please see the attached letter for more information about our Learning with Parents app.

P.E

Our PE day is on **Thursday** each week. Children must come in their school uniform and change into their PE kits on PE days. P.E kits can stay at school until we break up for half term, when they will come home to be washed. Please make sure your child has the correct school P.E kit, if you have any questions about this, do not hesitate to ask. Could I also ask

that each item of P.E kit is clearly labeled with your child's name, I know how expensive uniforms are and I would hate for anything to get lost!

Outdoor Learning

We will be having weekly outdoor learning sessions within the school grounds on a **Friday** each week. We are very lucky to have fantastic grounds at St. Joseph's and will spend lots of time outdoors, in all weathers. Therefore, if you haven't done so already, please could your child bring in a pair of wellies as the fields can become very boggy over the next few months.

Saint / Virtue

Our class Saint is St. Valentine and our virtue is Reflection. We will be learning about this as class regularly as well as holding a liturgy that you will be able to attend in February 2026, details will be given out closer to the time.

Milk

School milk – if you would like to order milk for your child, you can arrange this at the office.

You are welcome to send your child in with a plastic water bottle. Please do ensure that it only contains water and not juice.

Online

I will be setting up a classroom page on Google Classroom. Your child will have their own log in details for this and will be sent a request to join. I will also send home these log in details along with other website logins. This way children can share their homework on the page and I can write any messages.

Please also follow us on Facebook and X **@Stjosephskly** to see what your child has been up to during the day, I will try to share snippets of our day as often as I can, it is lovely to see exciting things happening at home too so feel free to share on it too and I will show it in class. #TeamWillow

I have attached a weekly timetable for our class so that you and your child know what is happening on each day in school – feel free to ask if you have any questions!

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs K Garnett

Willow Class Teacher, Key Stage One Lead , Maths Lead

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ourselves and others

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