

# Newsletter

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

*'following Jesus in all we do'*

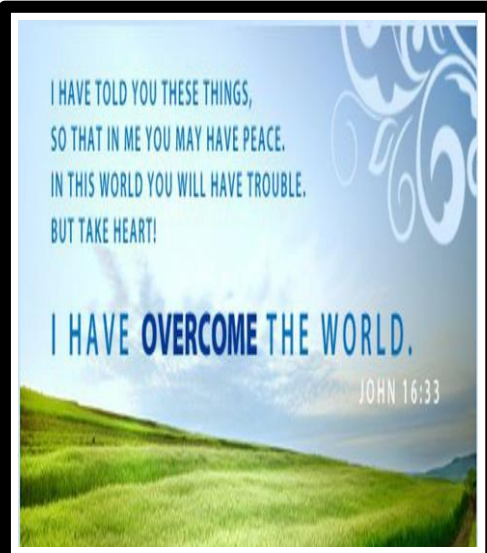
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## Look how we live our Catholic Life

*This half term  
we are being  
Loving &  
Compassionate*



On Monday, four of our KS2 pupils attended a Prayer Leader Training session at Blessed Edward Oldcorne School along with prayer leaders from other local catholic primary schools. They worked together to plan a collective worship session ready to share with their classes back at school. They also spent some time reflecting on the season of Lent.



St David's day prayers and reflections after a shared worship with Mrs Bury in Gospel assembly on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March



Mrs Eglesfield, Assistant Headteacher at Regency High School visited yesterday to congratulate Esme and Oliver for their fundraising, to help raise money for their sensory room, which was damaged in the floods. An amazing £430 was raised! Thank you to everyone who donated.

# DIARY DATES 2020

<b>MARCH</b>	
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Vocations Week</b>
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	9:15 St Joseph's Day Mass in School Hall – All Welcome
	9:30am -11:30am Tri Golf at BEO
	5:30pm Children's Liturgy Meeting in Church
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	9:15am Worcester Young Carers Assembly – Parents Welcome!
	12:30pm – 3:00pm Y5 & Y6 Swimming Gala Letters have gone out
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Y1 Oak & Pear visit to West Midlands Safari Park
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	7:00pm School/Parish Fete Meeting
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Class Group Photos by Tempest Photography
	Y3 Final Swim Session
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup>	9:30am – 12:30pm CTA Netball Tournament at BEO - letters to follow
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>	8:30am – 1:00pm Inclusion Festival at Worcester Arena
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup>	9:15am Whole School Holy Week Mass in School Hall – All Welcome!
<b>April</b>	
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	2:00pm Lower KS2 Easter Performance
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9:15am Lower KS2 Easter Performance
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Wacky Hair Day in aid of Brain Tumour Research and Cake Sale for Cancer Research
	9:15am KS1 Golden Certificate Assembly
	2:30pm KS2 Golden Certificate Assembly
	End of Spring Term 2 Season of Easter
<b>Monday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	8:50am School opens to Pupils Summer Term 1
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 2 Swimming Starts (Ten Weeks)
	2:00pm-4:00pm Mixed Netball Tournament at Kings School
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	10:00am-12:00pm YR Multi Skills Festival at BEO
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup>	KS1 Health & Fitness Week
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Scholastic Book Fair – Details to follow
<b>MAY</b>	Ordinary Time
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup>	2:00pm May Procession
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	First Holy Communion Retreat
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am-12:00pm Y4 Touch Rugby Festival at BEO
<b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>BANK HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup>	SATs Week
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	2:45pm Reception Oak Class Assembly – Parents Welcome
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 Visit to Aztec Adventure
	Y4 Sea Life Centre Sleep Over
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am and 12:30pm First Holy Communion Masses
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup>	KS2 Health & Fitness Week
	6:00pm CTA Athletics at Abbey Stadium Redditch
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Reserve Sports Day
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Break for Summer Term 1 End of Easter
<b>JUNE</b>	
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup>	8:50am School Opens for Pupils – Summer Term 2
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am-2:30pm Y3 Summer Sports at BEO
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup>	9:15am Armed Forces Assembly – Details to follow
	Pre-School visit to Umberslade Farm
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup>	YR & Y6 Height & Weight Survey – Details to follow
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	1:00pm Good Shepherd Mass at St George's Catholic Church
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	7:00pm Confirmation at St Joseph's Catholic Church
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Y2 Oak & Pear Visit to Three Counties Show
	Non Uniform Day for Armed Forces – Details to follow
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup>	12:00pm - 3:00pm School/Parish Fete

Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Pre-School Sports Day
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Y5 Taster Day at BEO
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	2:00pm Upper KS2 Performance
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	2:00pm Upper KS2 Performance
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am –12:00pm Y5 Orienteering Festival at BEO
	Y6 Visit to Oscott College
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup>	7:00pm New Intake Evening at BEO
<b>JULY</b>	
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	MOVING UP DAY 1
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	MOVING UP DAY 2
	Y6 Induction Day at BEO
	Y2 Final Swim
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Whole School Race for Life – Details to follow
	6:00pm CTA Swimming Gala at Perdiswell
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> – 10 <sup>th</sup>	ONE WORLD WEEK
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Leavers' Disco
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Pre-School Leavers' Assembly
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>	3:15pm School Closes - End of Summer Term 2

<b>SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION – YEAR 3</b>	
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	3:15pm First Holy Communion Meeting 3 in the school hall
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	First Holy Communion 10:00 am Mass
	12:30 pm Mass
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	FHC Afternoon Tea with members of the parish
<b>CONFIRMATION – YEAR 6</b>	
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	3:15pm Confirmation Meeting 2 in Year 6 classroom
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	7:00pm Confirmation at St Joseph's Catholic Church
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Confirmation Afternoon Tea with members of the parish



Follow us on Twitter!  
You can find us at  
@stjoesworcs  
Loads of photos, videos  
etc of various classes -  
a great way to see what  
goes on inside school.

## **PARKING**

Parking continues to be a huge concern in the area immediately surrounding our school. Parents are parking in front of dropped kerbs; impeding access for disabled residents, also parking in designated parking bays reserved for residents. Please, please, please consider our local residents when dropping off and collecting on the school run. Thank you for your understanding.

## **Pre-School Places September 2020**

We will be offering places for our Pre-School for September 2020 starters after the Easter Holiday.

If you would like your child to attend our setting and have not already put your child's name down on our waiting list, then please pick up a form from the main school reception area as soon as possible.

Many Thanks

Mrs Alexandra Cree  
Pre-School Manager

## **ATTENDANCE MATTERS**

WEEK ENDING 6<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2020

**OVERALL 97.4%**

**TOP CLASS ATTENDANCE**

**Y3 OAK & Y3 PEAR – 99.7%**

337 Pupils out of 373 achieved 100%

12 Pupils late before registers closed

Please remember that the bell goes at

8:50am - learning starts at

9:00am prompt

# **ST JOSEPH'S CATERING**

## **Catering Updates**

Following evaluation of our catering provision, we have made some positive changes and are now running a more 'Farm Fresh' (Farm to Fork) menu concentrating on freshly cooked meals and using local produce where possible.

As a result of cooking a far more fresh menu there will be NO option of a packed lunch for Key Stage 1. Children in key stage 1 ( Universal Free School Meal) will have the option of a 2 course meal, main, vegetarian or Jacket Potato with a dessert and fully stocked salad bar.

From September 2020 school meal prices will increase from £2.00 to £2.20 a day.

Monitoring has also revealed that the children at KS1, by having a tuck break and fruit break, are not really hungry at lunchtime. This results in more food wasted. To combat this, after the Easter break, (Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April) there will be no Key Stage 1 tuck shop, their morning break will be a fruit break. Fruit is provided for children in Key Stage 1 free of charge daily. This will only be eaten at morning break time at 10.15am. All pupils in KS1 are welcome to bring additional fruit to eat at that break time. Break at 11.30am will be for play only.

## **Virus Update**

**The situation in the world at the moment continues to be a concern and we are keeping up to date with all Government advice. The threat of schools having to close is a real one and we have to be repared for any eventuality.**

**Hopefully it won't come to this but if it does, we are preparing contingency plans to best cater for your children's learning. We will make use of online facilities like the website but rest assured we will inform you of all you need to know should this have to happen.**

**Mrs Bury**

## PE KIT

It has been brought to my attention that some children are not wearing the correct PE kit. Please see list below or visit the school website:

<https://www.stjosephsworcester.co.uk/uniform>

- White round neck top/tee shirt NOT a white school polo shirt
- Plain black jogging bottoms and a plain black hoody/zipped hoody
- A pair of trainers not pumps

Many thanks for your cooperation  
Mrs Bury

## WORLD BOOK DAY



On Thursday 5th March the whole school participated in World Book Day. Children dressed as their favourite book character to celebrate the magical world of books. We saw many characters from Hogwarts including several Harry Potters! We looked everywhere to find Wally and found at least five!. A secret panel chose the best-dressed/most imaginative costumes from each Key Stage. Many classes enjoyed fun activities such as Lost in the Library challenges, Book Bingo, literary crosswords amongst others. In the afternoon, an assembly was held for everyone to show off their costumes. The winners were announced - Peter Rabbit (Thomas YR), Snappy from Goosebumps (Marley Y4), Cindy Lou Hoo from Dr Seuss' The Grinch (Eloise Y5) and the cat from The Cat Who Got Carried Away (Adam Y1). Each winner received a £10 voucher to spend at the BookFair in April. The afternoon was rounded off with Mrs Holland reading the fantastic Roald Dahl version of Red Riding Hood, who turns out to be a very different character from the one we believed her to be! Every child also received a £1 book voucher to be exchanged for special WBD editions or money off any book. A great day for all highlighting the magic and enjoyment of books.



## CTA Football Tournament

Friday 6th March saw the annual Catholic Teachers Association Football Tournament for the Under 9 and Under 11 team. The event at Winterfold House School is always the football highlight of the year with lots of great games being played throughout the morning. The Under 11 team had a tough draw with lots of hard fought matches. Ben C, Sam and Zac scored some great goals throughout the matches. There was lots of promising passes, hard defending and excellent team spirit. The team represented the school perfectly with their behaviour, enthusiasm and sportsmanship. Well done to the U11s.

The U9s showed great promise in their games, settling into the matches and working as a team. They comfortably won their group stage, scoring 16 goals and only conceding 1 goal. This meant they were through to the semi-final against a tough opposition. This game was their hardest yet with the team putting up a good fight. Unfortunately things didn't go our way and the team lost the match but were in the 3rd place play offs. Once the team regrouped they easily won the play off and finished the tournament in 3rd place overall. Well done team.

An excellent morning of football was had by all. As always our teams did us proud and should be very proud of themselves. Thank you to the parents that came along to support the teams too.



## Y4 Pen Pals

Year 4 were very excited to receive hand written replies this week from their letters to the residents of Perry Manor Care Home. The children have been matched to a pen friend and have just begun their letter exchange. We were interested to find out that the pen friends range from 72 years old to 92 years old! We've learnt that one penfriend used to be a sailor in the navy, another can no longer read herself and they all loved the pictures the children sent. We look forward to more collaborative opportunities with Perry Manor.

**DON'T SHOP**

**SWAP!!**

**Children grow out of clothes fast!!**



**Lyppard Hub**

**Childrens Clothing Exchange**  
**Bring in clothes that your children**  
**have outgrown and swap them**  
**for bigger clothes**

**Good quality second hand clothes!!**

**Open 11.30am—1.00pm**

first Tuesday of every month

**(April closed)**

**5th May 2020**

**2nd June 2020**

**7th July 2020**

**(Term time only)**

**at the**



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