

# Newsletter

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

'following Jesus in all we do'

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W/E 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021

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Mrs Bury's thought for the week...  
There are only two ways to live your life.  
One is as though nothing is a miracle.  
The other is as though everything is a miracle.



## Our Catholic Life

*This Half Term  
we are being  
Loving and  
Compassionate*



At the end of the Spring Term, we said goodbye to Mrs Penn, who retired after over thirty years' service to the school. We marked the occasion in a COVID safe way with a whole school presentation on the school field, where staff and children presented Mrs Penn with leaving gifts.

We give thanks for Mrs Penn and wish her a long and happy retirement!

**WE HAVE SCHOOL PLACES AVAILABLE IN RECEPTION  
FOR SEPTEMBER 2021**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<b>MAY</b>	
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED – BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY</b>
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Y4 Bikeability Course – Day 1
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Y4 Bikeability Course – Day 2
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	6:30pm Y6 Pear Confirmation Meeting followed at 7pm by Commitment Mass
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	6:30pm Y6 Oak Confirmation Meeting followed at 7pm by Commitment Mass
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup>	9:45am – 12:30pm Y3 Oak & Pear Summer Games at BEO
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>	9:00am YR Oak & Pear Eye Tests – Letters to Follow
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Provisional Date for Y6 Bikeability
W/C 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Ordinary Time
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Cancer Research Race for Life – Information to follow
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>	End of Summer Term 1 – School Closes for Half Term Holiday
<b>JUNE</b>	
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup>	School Opens to pupils for Summer Term 2 <b>Note change of date</b>
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Class photos by Tempest Photography
	Book Fair Arrives
Monday 28 <sup>th</sup>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b> – Teacher Training Day (Originally 7 <sup>th</sup> June)
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Y6 Oak & Pear Activities Week
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	
<b>JULY</b>	
W/C 5 <sup>th</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup>	One World Week – Details to follow
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Key Stage 1 Sports Day
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Key Stage 2 Sports Day
Sunday 18 <sup>th</sup>	11:00am Confirmation Mass
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	End of Summer Term 2 – School Closes for Summer Holiday

### ST JOSEPH'S CATERING

#### Key Stage 1

From week commencing 4<sup>th</sup> May, the menu on a Wednesday will be a roast dinner as we reintroduce the school food standards in line with the government roadmap out of COVID 19.

All meals will include vegetables or salad and we hope to reintroduce the salad bar as an addition during this term.

#### Breakfast Club

Please note that the deadline for Breakfast club payments is midnight on a Thursday, please ensure that your payments are received by this time.

Many thanks in advance for your cooperation.

Tina Currien

### St Joseph's Catholic Pre-School

If you would like your child to attend pre-school in September, please collect a registration form from outside the school office as soon as possible. We will also need to take a copy of your child's birth certificate and baptism certificate.

Many thanks  
Mrs Cree



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Archdiocese of  
Birmingham

30<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Dear Parents

This week we held our very first virtual parents evening using the icloud system. I do hope that you found it useful. On my zoom meetings yesterday and today, I gathered some very useful feedback on the system. Like with everything there are pros and cons, however moving forward, we may find it a useful tool to support our communication with you.

Next week we will send out a survey to gather your thoughts and help us to continue to work together for the benefit of everyone. You can look out for that in an email on Tuesday.

I know that for some parents you were unable to get onto the system successfully, or forgot or were unable to get the time that they wanted and are communicating with class teachers requesting appointments and in some cases, a written summary of their child's progress. Whilst this is something we can and will do, I ask for your patience with this. Preparing for a parents evening is a time consuming process and one that we take very seriously here at St Joseph's. If you didn't meet with your class teacher for any reason, be assured that if you have communicated with them, then they will get back to you.

Zoom with parents today was very useful with regard to discussing St Joseph's roadmap out of lockdown. I can assure you that I will continue to keep abreast of all guidance to ensure that we take the right safe steps at the right time on our journey back to normality. I had some positive feedback on our After School clubs provision; it warms my heart to see the school buzzing with varied extra-curricular activities! Huge thanks to Mrs Boswell for all of her organisation and for the staff who give their time to deliver a club within their busy lives. You can look forward too, to further information regarding PE kit. This will be in place later in the term for you to purchase in readiness for September.

This just leaves me to wish you a happy weekend – enjoy the extra day. We look forward to seeing your children bright and cheerful on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May.

Yours in faith and partnership

Mrs Bury  
Headteacher



**Dear Parent,**

Although we're starting to see signs of normality, the impact of COVID-19 is still prevalent within the schoolwear industry. The following is an important message regarding global supply chain challenges that are impacting the supply of school uniform across the UK.

**This is not just impacting Monkhouse, this is impacting all schoolwear suppliers across the UK.**

**Global Supply Chain Challenges**

The availability of school uniforms across the UK is being seriously challenged by the impact of COVID-19 on global supply chains and the major disruption to worldwide shipping. This was impacted further by the recent closure of the Suez Canal.

**Please continue to donate unwanted uniform in the labelled boxes outside the school office.**

**This uniform will be sorted and available to take after half term.  
Mrs bury**

**What does this mean for you?**

This is leading to out of stocks and delays on some orders, this is likely to continue throughout summer and into Back to School.

Not only are we experiencing delays in orders, our supply chain is unable to provide accurate delivery dates into our stores and distribution centres. Subsequently, we are then unable to provide you with delivery dates.

For those parents who are affected, we apologise for any inconvenience and we're working to gain more accurate information from suppliers.

Rest assured, our teams are working tirelessly to ensure supplies are received and distributed as quickly as possible.

**What do you need to do?**

If you have an outstanding order and require an update, please contact our customer service team who will do their best to answer your queries:

Tel: 0161 476 7216 - **Monday to Friday - 8.30AM to 5PM**  
Email: [web@monkhouse.com](mailto:web@monkhouse.com)

If you need to place an order, please book an appointment at your local store or place your order online as normal. Our general stock levels are good and we are fulfilling over 90% of orders in normal time scales.

**We would like to say a big thank you for your continued support throughout this challenging period.**



# Community Learning Courses

## Health and Wellbeing

Moodmaster

Positive Me

5 Ways to Wellbeing

Mind Matters

Mindfulness & Meditation

Baked Bean Project



## Art and Craft

Funky Arts

Funky Watercolours

Creative Mindfulness

Introduction to Drawing

Easy Knits

Sew and Reap

Tantalising Textiles

Upcycled Jewellery

More new courses coming soon!

All Community Learning Courses are **FREE** to attend until 31st July 2021.

All our courses are online. We offer support in joining us via; phone, tablet, ipad or laptop.

To find out more course information and to book a place, search the course title at: [www.worcestershire.gov.uk/courses](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/courses) or call 01905 728537