

# Newsletter

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

'following Jesus in all we do'

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W/E 17<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Issue 2

Mrs Bury's thought for the week...  
*Quiet reflection is often the mother of deep understanding. Maintain that peaceful nursery, enabling stillness to speak.*

hopeful  
curious  
wise  
grateful  
discerning  
compassionate  
active  
truthful  
intentional  
eloquent  
generous  
faith-filled  
attentive  
learned  
prophetic

## Our Catholic Life

*This Half Term  
we are being  
Eloquent &  
Truthful*



Today we celebrated the National Teaching Assistants' Day, giving thanks for our own amazing TAs and the invaluable work they do.

# DIARY DATES



**PARKING  
PATROL WILL  
BE BACK IN  
BUSINESS  
VERY SOON!!!**

<b>SEPTEMBER</b>	
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Afterschool Clubs Start this week
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	9:30am Y4 Visit to Bishops Wood Centre
	9:30am Mrs Bury's Summer Pudding Assembly for Reception Parents – Invites to parents have been sent.
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Macmillan Coffee Morning – Cake donations welcome!
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am Y4 First Holy Communion in Church
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup>	4:00 – 8:00pm Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College - Open Evening (Please see advert below)
<b>OCTOBER</b>	
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	12:15pm – Confirmation in Church (for Last Years' Year 6)
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Parents Evening – Information to follow
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	School Photographs – Individual Portraits by Sandry Studio Photographers
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	School Photographs – Individual Portraits by Sandry Studio Photographers
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Open Day – By appointment only – more information to follow
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Open Day - By appointment only – more information to follow
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	End of Autumn Term 1 – School Closes for Half Term
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup>	School Opens for Autumn Term 2
<b>JUNE 2022</b>	Due to the Jubilee Bank Holiday being during half term, schools were informed that they can plan in an extra holiday in term time. Our Governors have approved Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June as our Jubilee Bank Holiday! School will return on Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2022.
<b>JULY 2022</b>	To confirm that the last day of the Summer Term is <b>THURSDAY 21<sup>st</sup> JULY 2022</b> not the Friday printed on term dates cards.

## **Important Information regarding Confirmed Positive Cases...**

Close contacts will now be identified via NHS Test and Trace and we will no longer be expected to undertake contact tracing.

Following a confirmed PCR test, NHS Test and Trace will work with you to identify close contacts. This is likely to be a small number of individuals who would be most at risk of contracting COVID-19 due to the nature of the close contact. School may be contacted in exceptional cases to help with identifying close contacts, as currently happens in managing other infectious diseases.

Individuals are not required to self-isolate (link to guidance: [Stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection](#)) if they live in the same household as someone with COVID-19 (unless they work in NHS), or are a close contact of someone with COVID-19, and any of the following apply:

- they are fully vaccinated; this means 14 days have passed since their final dose of a COVID-19 vaccine given by the NHS
- they are below the age of 18 years and six months
- they have taken part in or are currently part of an approved COVID-19 vaccine trial
- they are not able to get vaccinated for medical reasons

Instead, they will be contacted by NHS Test and Trace, informed they have been in close contact with a positive case and advised to take a [PCR test](#). Can I urge you to arrange the PCR test if advised to do so and isolate until the result is received.

**The isolation period is now 10 days from the date of symptoms / test if no symptoms.**





**We are always looking for new members to join our vibrant group.**

**If you are interested in joining us, please email: [friendsofstjos@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:friendsofstjos@yahoo.co.uk)**



**BLESSED EDWARD OLD CORNE  
CATHOLIC COLLEGE**

**OPEN EVENING**

**THURSDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2021**

Appointment slots between  
4:00PM – 8:00PM

Please keep an eye on the website for further details on how to book

[www.blessededward.co.uk](http://www.blessededward.co.uk)

## **SCHOOL UNIFORM**

We have a good supply of second hand uniform available outside the main school entrance - please come and help yourselves!

**It is all FREE OF CHARGE!**

### First Aid Notice...

We have updated our procedure with regard to head bumps. From Monday if your child has a head bump in school, you will receive the normal phone call along with the First Aid Record slip but also you will receive a red slip to highlight the seriousness of a head bump and what to look for. It will be on a red piece of paper and will be stapled to the First Aid Record Slip.

Please do not hesitate to call the school office should you require further clarification.

## **St Joseph's Catering**



St Joseph's Breakfast Club is now available on a pay as you go basis as well as the usual pre booking system.

You are now able to just turn up and pay on the day!  
£2.50 per day to include a healthy breakfast.

### School Lunches



St Joseph's Catering are now able to accept cash payments for KS2 cold service lunches.

If you would like to use this option, please send in your order to your child's class teacher in a named envelope stating class, days required and amount enclosed.

# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Library



## LIBRARY REMINDER

We are very fortunate to have well-stocked libraries here at St Joseph's and we want to ensure they remain so. We would also like to remind children look after their books and ensure that they can be shared by others. available for many children to share. Sadly this is not always the case and many books are lost or damaged. At the end of the summer term we had lost books to the value of approximately £150!

We would therefore like to remind all parents that lost or damaged books must be replaced, or a £5 fine will be charged. Many thanks.

Mrs Holland School Librarian

## HAVE YOU SEEN THESE BOOKS?



Several Minecraft books are missing from our library! Would you please check at home to see if you have any hiding behind the sofa or under beds!

THANK YOU!

## BOOK DONATIONS

*A huge thank you to those pupils and families who have donated books to the library this year! It makes such a difference to our children.*

*If you have pre loved books, that your children have grown out of, are in a good condition, and would like to donate, please bring them in!*

# SCHOOL UNIFORM

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support of our school. Our uniform is important and sends a clear message to everyone demonstrating that our students have pride in their school and appearance. Uniform is an important part of a school's identity. It reinforces who we are as a community and helps students to feel pride in their school. With the summer holidays fast approaching and the 'back to school' promotions already in the shops, it seems an ideal time to confirm again our uniform expectations.

## **Suppliers**

**If you want to buy uniform from another store or online, that is acceptable, but it must match the uniform on the guidance exactly. Many of the stores listed below offer an online ordering and next day delivery service with free returns, making the process of getting the right uniform even easier.**

## **Suppliers**

**Schooltogs – [www.monkhouse.com](http://www.monkhouse.com)**

**M&S - [www.mandsyourschooluniform.com](http://www.mandsyourschooluniform.com)**

**Kidz & Kitz – through the school website –  
‘Uniform’ tab – PE kit only**

**[www.thebigbadgetheory.co.uk](http://www.thebigbadgetheory.co.uk)**

Following parent feedback, we are introducing some new items for the new school year should you wish to purchase them from Kidz & Kitz through the school website (a link is available through the uniform tab). We have a school back pack available for KS2, a zip up fleece as well as logo jogging bottoms and a summer cap.



## **SCHOOL RULES**

**No nail varnish, make up or transfer tattoos.**

**Hair accessories including; bows, clips and bobbles should be green, red or black and discrete**

**Long hair below shoulder length should be tied back for school – this applies to boys and girls.**

**There has been an increase in the variety of earrings being worn lately, please may we remind you that only 1 pair of small studs are to be worn and they must be removed or taped up by the child for all PE lessons. Teachers cannot remove or help with earrings. Pupils may only wear items of religious significance e.g. cross and chain, Medugorje medals, pin badges, prayer bracelets but NO rings.**

**Please can we remind children that their belongings should be brought into school in either a drawstring bag or a book bag and not in backpacks or handbags.**

**Uniform will continue to be monitored and addressed accordingly.**



**On Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September, we are hosting a Macmillan Coffee Morning. If you would like to donate cakes to help raise funds for this worthy cause, please send in to school first thing on Friday morning.**

**Children will have the opportunity to buy cakes for 30p each during break times!  
Thank you for your support.**

## **Neighbourhood Matters! West Mercia Police launches community messaging system...**

The new system, called Neighbourhood Matters, enables residents, businesses and community groups across Herefordshire, Worcestershire, Shropshire and Telford to find out more about what is happening in their local community. It also gives them the opportunity to contact police officers and local policing teams directly so they can raise any concerns and provide feedback.

It is a free service and those who sign up can choose to receive news and appeals, local crime information and crime prevention advice via a number of different channels.

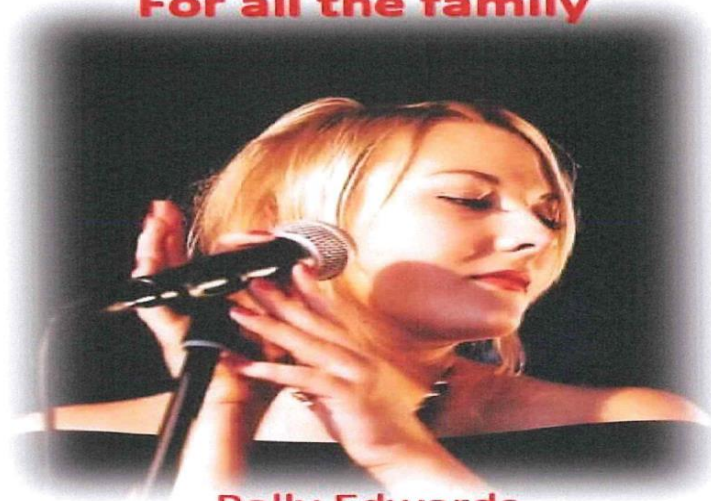
The messages people receive will be targeted and based on their location and preferences selected by each individual. The public can sign up for local updates from their neighbourhood policing team, or join a number of specialised community interest groups such as Business Watch, wildlife crime and crime prevention.

Please follow the link below to sign up!

[www.neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk](http://www.neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk)



**Free Live Music  
For all the family**



**Polly Edwards  
Live!**

**The Tolly Centre**

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September between 6:00 – 8:00pm.**

Bring a picnic & listen to Polly sing Live from the Veranda.

Brought to you as part of the Tolladine Renewal Project.



**NEWTOWN GREEN**

**Community Dog Walk.**  
Sunday 10th October  
11:30 am

10<sup>th</sup> NATIONAL MENTAL HEALTH FIGHT

Come & join us for a morning stroll & make new friends.

Meet at  
**Ronkswood Community Centre**







**RGS**  
WORCESTER

# OPEN MORNING INVITATION

We invite you to visit RGS Worcester to discover how we prepare pupils for life, and learn about the amazing opportunities that we can offer your child.

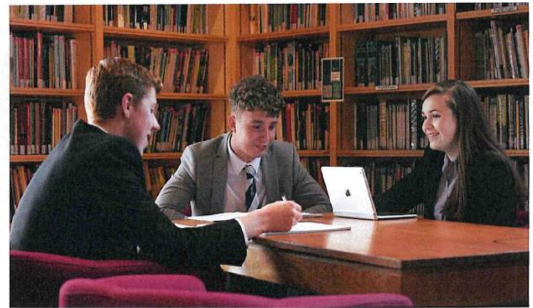
**2 October 2021**  
**9.00am - 1.00pm**

To book an appointment please visit [www.rgsw.org.uk](http://www.rgsw.org.uk)

RGS Worcester, Upper Tything, Worcester,  
Worcestershire, WR1 1HP

T 01905 613391  
E [admissions@rgsw.org.uk](mailto:admissions@rgsw.org.uk)

Independent education for children aged 11-18 years  
[rgsw.org.uk](http://rgsw.org.uk)



Only a visit to RGS Worcester can give you a sense of the welcoming atmosphere and the extensive range of opportunities for pupils.



To register please click the [link](#)

*'We wanted to say how happy we are with the school and how everyone has welcomed our daughter into RGS - it was one of the best decisions as parents we have made - we wish we had done it sooner. We cannot thank everyone enough. Our daughter is like a different girl and we have never seen her happier.'*

[www.rgsw.org.uk](http://www.rgsw.org.uk)

## WHY RGS WORCESTER?

- First class independent education offering the best start for your child aged 11-18
- Welcoming and inclusive
- Exceptional focus on pastoral care and pupil wellbeing
- Excellent academic results
- Leading Digital Learning provision nationally
- Outstanding facilities and new developments

Please contact our Registrar on [admissions@rgsw.org.uk](mailto:admissions@rgsw.org.uk), call 01905 613391 or register on our website to book a place.

We will be conducting personal family tours and you will have the opportunity to meet our Headmaster and Senior Leadership Team.



*"Welcoming, unaffected and academically on the up and up, while still valuing the breadth of opportunities outside the classroom."*



## Family Learning

Learn how to :

Support your child in school  
and at home

Become more inclusive  
Improve the wellbeing of your  
family

Boost your own health and  
happiness

# Family Learning Courses

SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER 2021

Deadline to  
book your place:  
24th September



Courses are FREE if you are unemployed and on benefits or you earn less than £17,000 per year.  
Courses are also FREE if your child receives a Free School Meal or is known to the school SENCO

Please book onto each course by searching for the course title at:

[www.worcestershire.gov.uk/courses](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/courses) or call 01905 728537

### Courses just for parents to support their child with school

Maths in Early Years for Parents  
Maths in Key Stage 1 for Parents  
Maths in Key Stage 2 and 3 for Parents

Phonics in the Early Years for Parents  
Literacy in the Early Years for parents  
English in Key Stage 1 for Parents  
English in Key Stage 2 & 3 for Parents

### Courses for parents to enjoy with their child

STEM in Key Stage 1 & 2 for Families  
(Science, Technology,  
Engineering & Maths)

Cook with your Family  
Cook with your Teenager

### Courses just for parents to support their child at home

E-Safety  
Thinking about Employment  
Cooking on a Low Budget  
Art to Support your Wellbeing  
Art to Improve your Self-Awareness  
Art to Support your Child's Wellbeing  
Family Wellness Course

### Supporting you with Special Educational Needs & Disabilities

SEND - Managing their Mindfulness  
SEND - Strategies for Positive Behaviour  
Signalong Workshop for Adults  
Communicating with Deaf or Hearing  
Impaired People

### Face to Face Classroom

SEND - Strategies for Positive Behaviour



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



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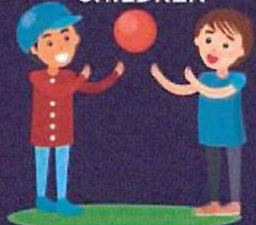


MULTI-CULTURAL  
**FAMILY**  
**PICNIC IN THE PARK**  
**Cripplegate Park Worcester**  
 Sunday 19th September 1.00pm-5.00pm



**VOICES**  
 Unlimited  
 VOICES UNLIMITED  
 CHOIR PERFORMING  
 2PM-4PM

FUN ACTIVITIES FOR THE CHILDREN



BRING YOUR OWN ETHNIC FOOD TO SHARE



ACCESSIBLE  
 NATURE WALK  
 WITH HEADWAY  
 WORCESTERSHIRE

