# NEWSLETTER

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W/E 14<sup>th</sup> December 2024

Issue 3

Mrs Bury's thought for the week...

'Be the reason someone smiles today'

> Next Half Term we are being Attentive &

> > Discerning



# Our Catholic Life and Mission

BLESSED EDWARD OLDCORNE FEAST DAY

Liturgy Planners from

Year 5 & 6 took part in the service for Blessed Edward Oldcorne's Feast Day on Monday 27th January. Thank you to the children who represented our school and the readers who read beautifully on the day.







## Jubilee Dress up Day Friday 31st January

Thank you to those who dressed up in the Jubilee colours and donated an item for the food bank or £1.

We will let you know how much was raised after half-term.





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| FEBRUARY                                    |   |
| Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>                     | School Closes for Half Term   |
| Monday 24th                                 | SCHOOL OPENS FOR PUPILS & STAFF FOR SPRING TERM 2                               |
| _   | 3:30 Parents Evening – Follow link to book your appointment:                    |
|   | https://stjosephscatholicprimary.schoolcloud.co.uk/                             |
| Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup>                    | 9:00am Teaching Mass Year 1, Year 2, Year 4 & Year 6 in School                  |
|   | 4:00pm Stay & Play for Reception 2025 Intake                                    |
| MARCH                                       | LENT BEGINS   |
| Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup>                      | Parents notified of High School Places September 2025                           |
| Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup>                     | 9:00am Ash Wednesday Mass for Year 4 Year 5 & Year 6 in Church                  |
| Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>                   | 9:00am Ash Wednesday Service Reception, Year 1, Year 2, & Year 3 in School      |
| Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>                    | WORLD BOOK DAY  |
| Friday 7 <sup>th</sup>                      | 8:45am KS2 Celebration Assembly with PC Kyle - Stranger Danger                  |
|   | 9:15am KS1 Celebration Assembly with PC Kyle – Stranger Danger                  |
| Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup>                      | 11:00am Children's Mass in church (First Sunday of Lent)                        |
| Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>                    | 9:00am Teaching Mass Reception, Year 3 & Year 5 in School                       |
|   | 9:00am – 11:00am Pre-School Open Morning  |
| Tuesday 18th                                | 9:00am St Joseph's Day Mass Year 1, Year 3, & Year 6 in School                  |
| Wednesday                                   | 9:00am St Joseph's Day Mass Reception, Year 2, Year 4 & Year 5 in School        |
| 19th  |   |
| Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup>                    | 9:00am Mass Feast of Annunciation Year 1, Year 2, Year 4 & Year 6 in School     |
| Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup>                   | Year 5 Visit to Lego Discovery Birmingham                                       |
| APRIL                                       |   |
| Tuesday 1st                                 | 9:00am Mass Year 3 & Year 5 in Church   |
| raccady i                                   | 10:15am Rocksteady Show for Parents   |
| Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup>                    | YR & Y6 Height & Weight Survey  |
|   | Non Uniform Day – Please bring an item of chocolate for the Easter Hampers      |
| Monday 7 <sup>th</sup>                      | 9:00am Reception Sacramental Journey – making Easter Gardens with Parents       |
| increasy :                                  | 4:00pm Star Project Show for Parents  |
| Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup>                     | 9:00am Mass Reception, Year 1 & Year 4 in Church Blessing of the Easter Gardens |
| Friday 11 <sup>th</sup>                     | SCHOOL CLOSES FOR EASTER HOLIDAY  |
|   | Palm Sunday; Holy Week from 14 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup> April           |
| Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup>                  | Reception Places for September 2025 notified today                              |
| Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup>                     | Easter Sunday   |
| Monday 28 <sup>th</sup>                     | SCHOOL OPENS FOR PUPILS & STAFF FOR SUMMER TERM 1                               |
| MAY   |   |
| MAY Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> | SATS WEEK   |
|   | SATS WEEK  Friends Changlete Bings (Details to Follow)                          |
| Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>                     | Friends Chocolate Bingo (Details to Follow)                                     |
| Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup>                     | END OF TERM - SCHOOL CLOSES FOR HALF TERM                                       |
| JUNE  |   |
| Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup>                      | TED DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS   |
| Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>                     | SCHOOL OPEN TO PUPILS & STAFF FOR SUMMER TERM 2                                 |
| Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup>     | Health & Fitness Fortnight  |
| Monday 16 <sup>th</sup>                     | Year 6 Bellboating  |
| Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>                    | Y4 Language Day at BEO  |
|   | UKS2 Sports Day for Year 5 & Year 6   |

| Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> - 20 <sup>th</sup> | Year 6 Residential to The Pioneer Centre                 |
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| Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>               | LKS2 Sports Day for Year 3 & Year 4                      |
| Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>                 | KS1 Sports Day   |
| Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup>                | Class Group Photo Day – Robin Sandry Photography         |
| Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>              | Year 6 Transition to BEO Day 1                           |
| Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup>               | Year 6 Transition to BEO Day 2                           |
| Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>                 | Friends Colour Run – Sponsored Event – Details to Follow |
| Saturday 28th                           | Friends Family Fun Day                                   |
| _                                       |  |
| JULY                                    |  |
| Thursday 3rd                            | Tudor Grange Transition Day 1                            |
| Friday 4 <sup>th</sup>                  | Tudor Grange Transition Day 2                            |
| Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup>                 | 10:15am Rocksteady Show to Parents                       |
| Friday 11 <sup>th</sup>                 | 5:30pm Year 5 Sealife Centre Sleepover                   |
| Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup>               | 8:30am Sealife Centre Trip Pick up from School           |
| Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>                 | END OF TERM - SCHOOL CLOSES FOR SUMMER HOLIDAYS          |

## SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS ...

## Cross Country



Today I went to cross country, I was the only person from school. I came 6<sup>th</sup> out of 42 people. Because I came 6<sup>th</sup> I qualified in the nationals. I will be running on 22<sup>nd</sup> March in Daventry. I cannot wait to represent St Joseph's!

Anais - Year 5

#### FOOTBALL



Well done to the Under 11 football team who took part in the West Bromwich Albion football tournament in January. The team travelled to the West Brom training dome to compete against teams from all across the West Midlands. The team played brilliantly and got through to the quarter finals.

Well done boys!



On Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February 6 children from Year 3 and 4 were invited to take part in a Primary School Panathlon at Regency High School. Whilst there we took part in events such as curling, boccia and skittles. The children represented our school perfectly and joined in with enthusiasm and perfect behaviour. The children were rewarded for their hard work by receiving a wonderful medal and certificate. Well done all who took part!



#### YOUNG VOICES













Young Voices is always a highlight of the school year and this year was no different. In January, 43 children from Years 4, 5 and 6 travelled to Birmingham to take part in the annual event with over 4000 other children. We spent the afternoon rehearsing a mixture of familiar and original songs written especially for the event, our favourites being the Bob Marley medley and the Pop medley. For the evening, the arena was filled with over 5000 parents, friends and families who came to join in the fun. The children, and staff, all had an amazing time and can't wait to do it all again next year!

Thank you to all involved!



#### Online Safety 'Wall of Hope' and 'Worry Box'

We have already had lots of messages on our Online Safety Wall of Hope. Examples of what you might include are:

A typed message about being kind or bringing hope

A digital drawing using the 'draw' function on the wall

A photo of a poster you have made

Be aware that the wall of hope is an online public webpage, so

ensure that you are happy for whatever your child contributes to be visible on the wall. I am hoping we be able to display the contributions on the screens in the hall for parents evening.

You can access the Wall of hope by scanning the QR code on the right or typing in this link: <a href="https://padlet.com/wbowringlossock/online-wall-of-hope-w4d4m9smiweqf6jd">https://padlet.com/wbowringlossock/online-wall-of-hope-w4d4m9smiweqf6jd</a>



#### Online Safety Worry Box

If you have any questions about online safety, these can be shared onto our Online Safety Worry box. The idea is that parents can post anonymously to share concerns or ask questions. Be aware, your post will be public.

Here is the link to the Online Safety Worry Box:

 $\frac{https://padlet.com/wbowringlossock/do-you-have-any-concerns-around-online-safety-would-you-like-y9lvox7ur3l9a8em}{}$ 

Links to both of these pages can also be found on the e-safety section of the school website.

Thank You for your continued support!





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#### TIMESTABLES BATTLE

Year 4 have been taking part in a MAC Times Table battle against 2 other Year 4 classes and have won! Well done Yr4.

| YR4 MAC MAC Year 4s |  | Completed ^          |
|---------------------|--|----------------------|
| î                   | Info School Results Class Results Pupil Results Certificates |                      |
|                     | School Average Correct School Total Correct                  | <u> </u>             |
| Posi                | ition (Out of 3 schools taking part)                         | School Total Correct |
| 1                   | St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Worcester               | 21,089               |
| 2                   | St Wulstan's Catholic Primary School, Stourport-on-Severn    | 11,651               |
| 3                   | St Joseph's Primary School, Droitwich Spa                    | 2,382                |





# You are invited!

Hello! I am Mrs Bury the headteacher of St Joseph's here in Worcester. I have been provided with your details from Worcester County Council as you have included us on your admissions application for September 2025.

We would love to welcome you and your child to a special 'STAY AND PLAY AFTERNOON' here at St Joseph's on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at 4:00pm where you can meet the St Joseph's Team and visit the Early Years setting at our friendly, caring school.

It would help us if you could confirm your attendance via the contact details below to help with catering.



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#### Mrs Cree's Sky Dive

On 25 May, I will be taking the ultimate leap – a skydive – to raise funds for the Midlands Air Ambulance Charity. This vital service provides life-saving medical care, responding to emergencies across the region and saving countless lives.

To take part in this charity skydive, I need to raise £395. I've always wanted to do this, but the idea of stepping of a plane at over 10,000ft and falling at up to 125mph is truly terrifying!

Each Air Ambulance call-out costs thousands of pounds and is almost entirely funded by public donations, so your support really does make a difference!

Any contribution, no matter the size, would mean a lot and help me reach my goal.

Thank you for your support! Donations can be made in cash or

You can donate to my JustGiving page by clicking here: <a href="https://www.justgiving.com/page/alexandra-cree-3">https://www.justgiving.com/page/alexandra-cree-3</a>







#### ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



#### WORCESTER

# TERM DATES 2024 /2025

| <u>AUTUMN TERM</u> | Students return on Wed 4th September 2024    |
|--------------------|--|
| 38 + 35 (73)       | Students finish on Friday 20th December 2024 |

| Half Term | Students finish on Friday 25th October 2024             |
|-----------|---|
|           | Students return on Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2024 |

| <b>SPRING TERM</b> | Students return on Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2025 |
|--------------------|---|
| 29 + 35 (64)       | Students finish on Friday 11th April 2025               |

| Half Term | Students finish on Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2025 |
|-----------|--|
|           | Students return on Monday 24th February 2025               |

| SUMMER TERM  | Students return on Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> April 2025 |
|--------------|---|
| 20 + 34 (54) | Students finish on Friday 18th July 2025              |

| Half Term | Students finish on Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025  |
|-----------|--|
|           | Students return on Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2025 |

| Good Friday          | Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2025 |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|
| Easter Sunday        | Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2025 |
| Easter Monday        | Monday 21st April 2025             |
| May Bank Holiday     | Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2025    |
| Whitsun Bank Holiday | Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2025   |

Please note Key Stage 1 & 2 SATS/Optional Tests will be during the month of May

<u>Teacher Education Days</u> 1. Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024

2. Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2024

3. Monday 6th January 2025

4. Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025

5. Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025

6. Monday 21st July 2025





# Free support to help you stop smoking

Over 80% of cigarette smoke is invisible. Quitting is the best thing you can do to protect you and your family.

Available to mums, dads, carers, in fact anyone living with a child under the age of 19 in Worcestershire.

Quit and stay on track with:

- Free Nicotine Replacement Therapy (NRT)
- Rechargeable vapes (for anyone over age of 18)
- 1:1 support or family sessions with a trained advisor

Scan QR code for more information:





# **Smoke Free Homes Service**

www.startingwellworcs.nhs.uk/smoke-free-homes



