

# It's a rather Newsletter

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

'following Jesus in all we do'

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W/E 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Blustery Day!

Issue 9

Mrs Bury's thought for the week.....

Do your little bit of good where you are; it is those little bits of good put all together that overwhelm the world.

loving  
hopeful  
attentive  
faith-filled  
generous  
eloquent  
intentional  
hopeful  
curious  
wise  
grateful  
discerning  
compassionate  
active

## Look how we live our Catholic Life

This half term we are being Loving & Compassionate

We are looking forward to Father Amal's return and we hope he has had a wonderful time in India. In Father's absence Deacon Kevin has invited the school to be part of parish Eucharistic Services. The pupils have enjoyed being part of these special services and Lower Key Stage Two have learnt about this form of liturgy in RE lessons with Mrs Jackson. We are truly blessed to have Deacon Kevin supporting the school community while Father is away. Thank you Deacon Kevin!

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Lo Recall some of the words and actions of the liturgy of the Eucharist

Today at the eucharistic service I didn't sing a hymn but we did an antiphon. We did have a second reading of no ill but we did sit in silence. We didn't have the offertory, both holy hosts of eucharistic bread but the body of Christ was taken out of the chalice and we still had communion. At the end we didn't sing a hymn but we did have a thanksgiving prayer.

Great detail (Thy)



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Order of Eucharistic Service 4<sup>th</sup> February 2020

- Entrance Antiphon as Deacon Kevin entered ✓
- Penitential Act to say sorry for our sins and Collect prayer ✓
- First Reading: 2 Samuel 18:9-19 ✓
- Psalm: 85 ✓
- Gospel Acclamation ✓
- Gospel: Mark 5:21-43 ✓
- Silent Reflection
- Bidding Prayers
- The Lord's Prayer
- Sign of Peace ✓
- Lamb of God ✓
- Communion Antiphon
- Receive Communion ✓
- Thanksgiving ✓
- Concluding Rite by Deacon Kevin




Children's Mass  
Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2020  
At  
11:00am

# Parking

Parking is still continuing to be an issue and we are still receiving many complaints and concerns about safety for all at the beginning and end of the school day. Mrs Jackson is working with our Parking Patrol and PC Davy. Patrols will continue to take place but disappointingly, there are still many parents who are not taking the issue seriously. I am fully aware of the difficulties outside. I really feel that we need to pull together and make a difference.

If you would like to be involved in making a difference, could you please give your name to the office and watch this space.

Mrs Bury



How to report careless driving/parking...

<https://west-midlands.police.uk/bob-e/dangerous-careless-driving>

# DIARY DATES 2020

<b>FEBRUARY</b>	
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>	9:15am KS2 Golden Certificate Assembly
	<b>Odd Shoe Day - Suggested Donation £1</b>
	<b>Oliver &amp; Esme's Cake Sale - Lunch Time &amp; After School in KS2 Playground</b>
	3:15pm End of Spring Term 1
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>	8:50am School Opens for Pupils - Spring Term 2
<b>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>11:30am Ash Wednesday Mass – Beginning of Lent</b>
	3:30pm – 9:00pm Parents' Evening
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>	6:30pm – 8:30pm Friends' Family Quiz Night
<b>MARCH</b>	
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup>	11:00am Children's Mass
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	2:45pm Y3 Assembly – Parents Welcome
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup>	World Book Day
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup>	CTA Football Tournament at Winterfold House
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	British Science Week
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> & Wed 11 <sup>th</sup>	9:15am YR Hearing Tests – Letters have been sent home
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Y3 Mr Egypt Visit
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Y1 Oak & Pear visit to West Midlands Safari Park
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Class Group Photos by Tempest Photography
	Y3 Final Swim Session
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup>	9:15am Holy Week Mass
<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
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9:15am KS1 Golden Certificate Assembly
	2:30pm KS2 Golden Certificate Assembly
	End of Spring Term 2
<b>MAY</b>	
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Sports Day
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Reserve Sports Day
<b>JUNE</b>	
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup>	12:00pm - 3:00pm School/Parish Fete
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	2:00pm Upper KS2 Performance
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	2:00pm Upper KS2 Performance

## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION – YEAR 3

Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	3:15pm Reconciliation Meeting in School Hall
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	6:00pm First Reconciliation
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	6:00pm First Reconciliation
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	6:00pm First Reconciliation
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

## CONFIRMATION – YEAR 6

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

### BUTTONS WANTED!

If you have any old buttons could you please donate them to school. We will be adding them to our new collection of lunchtime resources. Thank you!



### ATTENDANCE MATTERS

WEEK ENDING 7<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2020

**OVERALL 95.4%**

**TOP CLASS ATTENDANCE**

**Y2 PEAR - 99.7%**

336 Pupils out of 375 achieved 100%  
10 Pupils late before registers closed

Please remember that the bell goes at

8:50am - learning starts at

9:00am prompt

Family First was launched in 2017 with the sole aim of producing a free magazine that provides parents with all the tools required to help keep their children active, eating healthy & playing more sport (and away from their PlayStation/Xbox), helping to combat obesity in children & young adults.



Here is your free e-copy of Family First, the UK's largest family title - Enjoy

[https://issuu.com/sevenstarmedia/docs/ff-issue\\_5\\_digital130120](https://issuu.com/sevenstarmedia/docs/ff-issue_5_digital130120)

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**NO collectable cards e.g. football or Pokemon cards should be brought to school.**

**Don't Forget....**

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February is 'Odd Shoe Day'**

**Please wear school uniform as usual but with odd shoes - suggested donation £1**

**Followed by Oliver & Esme's cake sale at lunchtime and after school in KS2 playground.**

**All in aid of Regency High School Sensory Room**

## Events...



On Friday 24th January, the Under 9 football team represented the school at a tournament run by West Bromwich Albion. The morning began with some drills and warm ups run by the WBA staff before getting on with the matches. The boys played a total of 6 games and won 5 of them. The goal difference was in double figures and the team only conceded 1 goal throughout the whole morning! As well as showing great football skills the boys were commended for their excellent behaviour throughout the event. Well done boys.

## Young Voices 2020

On Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January 40, Year 5 and 6 children took part in the amazing Young Voices concert at Resorts World Birmingham. The preparation for the event started long ago in September when all Key Stage 2 children were introduced to the phenomenon that is the world's largest school choir, Young Voices. Once children had signed up rehearsals began in earnest at lunchtimes to learn all the songs and dance moves. The event itself proved to be more than we could have imagined. It was a long day, but full of excitement and pure joy as we set off from school at lunchtime and headed to our concert. The afternoon was spent rehearsing the songs with the other 6600 school children. We enjoyed singing along with Tony Hadley, The Shires and Ruti from The Voice UK. At about 6pm the excitement was building as parents began to fill the arena to watch the sell-out show. The children sang their hearts out for the 2 hour show which was over far too soon! A huge well done to all the children who took part in the amazing event. We look forward to doing it all again next year!

(More photos and videos can be found on our school Twitter page @stjoesworcs)



# CORONAVIRUS: PUBLIC INFORMATION

The Government and NHS are well prepared to deal with this virus.

You can help too.

Germs can live on some surfaces for hours. To protect yourself and others:

- Always carry tissues with you and use them to catch your cough or sneeze.
- Bin the tissue, and to kill the germs, wash your hands with soap and water, or use a sanitiser gel.
- If you have arrived back from China within 14 days follow the specific advice for returning travellers.

This is the best way to slow the spread of almost any germs, including Coronavirus.

Find out more at [gov.uk/coronavirus](http://gov.uk/coronavirus)

## HOLIDAY CLUB

5-12 years old

10am- 3pm



Leave your child with trained professionals to enjoy a fun filled hands on experience.

Tuesday 18th February



\*10am-3pm (5 hour session) £20 per child-Additional sibling discount £18

**\*First 5 hr Session £15 per child**

**Nut free packed lunch included.**

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|---------------------|---------------|---|
| Meet the animals    | Craft Making  | Cooking   |
| Feeding the animals | Treasure Hunt | ACTIVITIES MAY CHANGE   |
| Pond dipping        | Field games   | Old waterproof clothes and wellies / waterproof boots essential |
| Wildlife Spotting   | Den building  |   |

Email: [Sharon@wgrt.org](mailto:Sharon@wgrt.org)

Wildgoose Rural Training & Nature Reserve, Old Quarry Drive, Main Road, Hallow, Worcester WR2 6LS

Tel: 01905620840

(Turning just past or just before Top Barn entrance)



Libraries and Learning Service



## What's on this February at Warndon Library.



National Storytelling Week and Children's Mental Health Week:  
3<sup>rd</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> February – look out for special displays and information.

### For Children:

**Story Time** – every, Tuesday  
10.30 a.m. – 11.15 a.m. For ages 0-4.

**Code Club** – every Tuesday during term-time,  
3.45 p.m. – 4.45 p.m. For ages 7-11.

- **Safer Internet Coding Day:** Tuesday, 11<sup>th</sup> February, 3.45 p.m. – 4.45 p.m. Ages 7-11.

**Bounce and Rhyme** – every Wednesday,  
2.00 p.m. – 2.30 p.m. For ages 0-2.

**LEGO @ the Library** – every Thursday, 3.45 p.m. –  
4.45 p.m. Themed free build sessions.  
For ages 4+.

**Harry Potter Book Night** – Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> February,  
5.30 p.m. – 7.00 p.m. For ages 6+.  
Limited places, booking essential

### For Families:

**NEW Saturday Family Story Share** – Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup>  
February, 10.30 a.m. – 11.30 a.m. For ages 4+.

**Action for Children Family Information Service** –  
visiting the library on Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> February,  
11.00 a.m. – 12.00 p.m.

**Eco STEM Lab** – Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> February,  
10.00 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. For ages 4+.

**Mindfulness Workshop for Kids** – Friday, 21<sup>st</sup>  
February, 2.00 p.m. – 3.00 p.m. For ages 6+.  
Limited places, booking essential.

To find out more, visit, call or contact us!

Warndon Library  
The Fairfield Centre, Carnforth Drive, Worcester, WR4 9HG.  
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Email:

[WALib@worcestershire.gov.uk](mailto:WALib@worcestershire.gov.uk)

Website:

[www.worcestershire.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/libraries)



### For Adults:

**Job Club** – every Monday, 1.00 p.m. – 3.30 p.m.

**Digital Fridays with Platform Housing** – every Friday,  
10.00 a.m. – 12.00 p.m.

- **Safer Internet Day** – get advice and help on how to stay safe on the Internet, Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> February.

**Crime Readers Group** – Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> February,  
2.00 p.m. – 3.00 pm.

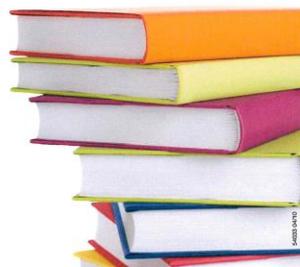
**Connect Café/Dementia Wellbeing Drop-in** –  
Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> February, 10.30 a.m. – 12.00 p.m.  
Information and advice from Age UK – tea and biscuits.

**Warndon Readers Group** – Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> February,  
10.30 a.m. – 11.30 a.m.

**Knit and Knatter** – alternate Saturdays, 10.30 a.m.  
– 12.00 p.m. From Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> February.

### Other events/displays:

- **Author of the Month** – Chris Brookmyre



Find out more online:  
[www.worcestershire.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/libraries)

worcestershire  
county council

# FREE multi-sports february activities

freedomleisure's Active Communities  
Team will be providing 1 week of completely  
**FREE** multi sports across Worcester from  
Monday 17 February to Friday 21 February  
2020. Don't worry about the weather,  
all venues are indoor apart from those  
marked with a ☔

- **where?**  
14 different venues across Worcester City.
- **who?**  
For 2-18 year olds.
- **what?**  
Multi-sports activities including cricket, tennis,  
football and much more!
- **how?**  
All you need to do is turn up, sign in and take  
part. Parental consent needed for under 16's.

	session 1 11.30am – 1.00pm	session 2 1.30pm – 3.00pm	session 3 3.30pm – 5.00pm
Monday 17 February	St Pauls Church	Horizon Community Centre	Ronkswood Community Centre
Tuesday 18 February	Cripplegate Park ☔	Lowerwick Green ☔	Dines Green Community Centre
Wednesday 19 February	Countryside Centre ☔	St Peters Baptist Church	Tolly Centre
Thursday 20 February	Diglis Playing Fields ☔	Countryside Centre ☔	Lyppard Hub
Friday 21 February	Warndon Community Centre	Gheluvelt Park ☔	KGV Community Centre

Times and dates are subject to change. We operate by an open access policy where children under 8 years of age must be accompanied by a parent/responsible adult. Participants are required to sign in (including parental consent) at the start of each session. We only facilitate sessions and do not operate as a childcare service or creche facility. We do not accept responsibility for any children left at the sessions unattended.

For additional information (including location details) on all activities taking place in Worcester, visit our webpage  
[www.freedom-leisure.co.uk/activecommworce](http://www.freedom-leisure.co.uk/activecommworce) or alternatively call us on 07885 407474.

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Please dress appropriately and bring a drink!

## February Half-Term Fun at Warndon Library!

### Eco STEM Lab!

Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> February, 10.00 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

Create your own amazing Eco Art including natural mandalas and wood/chalk art.



Work your way around our LEGO STEM Lab - will your family complete all of the fiendish challenges?

Ages 4+      £1 Donations welcome

### Calmness for Kids

### Family Mindfulness Workshop

Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2.00 p.m. - 3.00 p.m.



Learn some simple mindfulness techniques as a family and create beautiful mindfulness art together.

Ages 6+ and FREE - limited places, booking essential!

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NEW

## Saturday Family Story Share

at

Warndon Library



National  
Storytelling  
Week

National  
Storytelling  
Week

Starts Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup> February  
10.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.

Fortnightly, ages 4+ and **FREE!**

Come along and share your families' favourite stories with us and discover some of our favourites too!

For more information:

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