

NEWSLETTER

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

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W/E 29th September 2023

Issue 1

Mrs Bury's thought for the week:

"Never stop trying. Never stop believing. Never give up. Your day will come."

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

Our Catholic Life and Mission

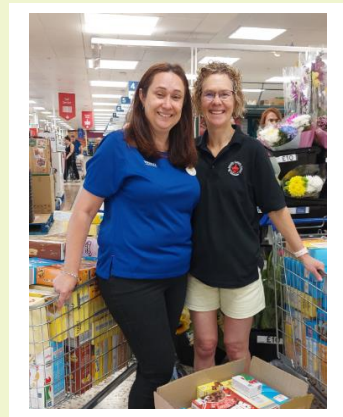
*This Half Term
we are being
Grateful and
Generous*



Pre-school Sacramental Journey

On Tuesday 19th September Father Amal and Deacon Kevin welcomed some of the Pre-school children over to Church for a special blessing. They all received a copy of the St Joseph's Prayer to say at home.

....as we say goodbye



It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to Mrs Davies-Hale on Wednesday 4th October as she moves onto pastures new to retrain in another profession. Mrs DH has been with St Joseph's for 14 years and during that time has had many differing roles. She particularly enjoyed starting fires and then putting them out again in forest school as well as sharing a joke or two with the children and staff. She will be greatly missed and we wish her all the best in the new chapter of her profession.

Non-Uniform Day

We will be having a non-uniform day on Friday 29th September to raise money for the RISE theatre group. We are asking for a donation of £2 each to cover the cost of the workshops which will take place during the day on Friday 20th October.

The day will include the opportunity to take part in fun creative art activities as well as learn songs and actions facilitated by the RISE team, ready to perform in a show.

The day is based on God the Creator with the interactive show exploring and discovering the awe and beauty in God's creation and how we are a part of God's beautiful creation - fearfully and wonderfully made! Children will go on a breath-taking journey of discovery around the earth and into space, learning about the beauty of God's creation, His incredible love for every person, and how each of us can care for our planet and the environment, from the depths of the jungle to the snow-capped peaks of the north pole!

New Breakfast Club start time

Breakfast club will start at the earlier time of 7:30am from Monday 25th September. The cost will remain at £2.50 per child per day rising to £3.00 per child from January 2024. Pre-school children will remain at £4.00. Please ensure payment is made via Parent Mail or cash in a named envelope stating clearly the child's name, dates of attendance for the week and contains the correct money as no change can be given.

Diary Dates

SEPTEMBER	
Tuesday 26 th	Y3 Visit to Bishop's Wood
Thursday 28 th	7:30pm Open Evening at Blessed Edward Oldcorne Catholic College
Friday 29 th	NON UNIFORM DAY – Children can wear home clothes for a £2 donations for The Rise Theatre
	3:30pm First Holy Communion Meeting School Hall
OCTOBER	Month of the Rosary
Tuesday 3 rd	9:00am Mini Mass in Church Year R - Rosary
Wednesday 4 th	Year 1 visit to Hartlebury Castle
Monday 9 th	2:30pm – 3:00pm Parent Assembly by the WEST Team 'Building Resilience'
Tuesday 10 th	9:00am Mass in Church Year 3 & Year 6
	9:00am World Mental Health Day
Wed 11 th	9:15am – 11:15am Henry Programme – Face to Face Group - Please see poster page 5
Thursday 12 th	St Joseph's Open Morning 9:00am – 12:00pm
Tuesday 17 th	9:00am Mass in Church Year 1 & Year 5
Friday 20 th	Rise Theatre – Look out for photos!
Monday 23 rd	3:15pm KS2 Parents Evening
Tuesday 24 th	Year 6 Visit to Winchcombe 1940's Evacuation Experience
	9:15am End of Half Term Mass in School Hall Years 1,2, 4 & 5
Wed 25 th	Y4 Visit to Cadbury World
Thursday 26 th	9:00 Year 5 Class Assembly
Friday 27 th	End of Autumn Term 1 – School Closes for Half Term
NOVEMBER	
Monday 6 th	School Opens for Autumn Term 2
Tuesday 7 th	Flu Vaccinations for whole school – link for consent has been sent home!
	9:00am Mass in Church for Year R, Year 3 & Year 6 - Remembrance
Tuesday 14 th	9:00am Mass in Church Year 2 & Year 4
Wednesday 15 th	9:30am – 11:30am KS1 Visit to The Swan Theatre
Monday 20 th	8:45am Tudor Grange in School Fairbanding
Tuesday 21 st	9:00am Mass in Church Year 1 & Year 5
Monday 27 th	6:00pm Year 3 Oak Reconciliation
Tuesday 28 th	9:00am Mass in Church Year R, Year 3 & Year 6
	Dog's Trust Workshops - Day 1
Wed 29 th	Dog's Trust Workshops - Day 2
	6:00pm Year 3 Pear Reconciliation
Thursday 30 th	Braibrick Photography - Pre-School
DECEMBER	
Sunday 3 rd	11:00am Mass Advent Wreath Blessing in Church
Tuesday 5 th	9:00am Mass in Church Year 1 & Year 5
Wednesday 6 th	9:15am Pre-School Christmas Assembly
Thursday 7 th	9:00am Year 2 Parents in school making Bambinelli
	9:15am Reception Christmas Assembly
Friday 8 th	9:00am Service of the Word in School Hall Year R, Year 1, Year 3 & Year 6
	2:00pm Mass in Church Year 2, Year 4 & Year 5
Sunday 10 th	11:00am Children's Mass – Bambinelli Sunday
Tuesday 12 th	9:00am Mass in Church Year 2 & Year 4
	10:15am RockSteady Performance for Parents – Please see info below
Tuesday 19 th	9:00am Mass in School Hall – Year R, Year 3 & Year 6
Friday 22 nd	End of Autumn Term 2 – School Closes for Christmas Holidays
JANUARY	
Monday 8 th	TED Day – School Closed to Pupils
Tuesday 9 th	School Opens for Spring Term 1

ROCKSTEADY PERFORMANCE DATES

Our Rocksteady children have been rocking out, shredding their guitars and jamming together since the end of the last academic year and we are delighted to announce that their bands - 'Geode', 'Gravity Falls', 'Fire Phoenix' and the 'Lasagne Bread Chickens' - are ready to rock your socks off and have finally posted their first gig dates!

**Tuesday 12th December 2023/School
Hall/10:15**

Tuesday 12th March 2024/School Hall/10:15

Tuesday 9th July 2024/School Hall/10:15

So, if you'd love to see the next Foo Fighters, Queen or George Ezra, make sure you come and see them perform!

<https://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com/>

ALLERGY ALERT

Dear Parents,

With immediate effect we will become a kiwi free school due to a child having a severe allergy to the fruit.

Please can we ask that children do not bring kiwis into school for their snack or lunch. There are plenty of other healthy options available so we hope this is not an issue for anyone.

As always the safety of our children is always a priority.

Many thanks for your cooperation with this most urgent matter.

Mrs Bury
Headteacher

PARKING

Once again, please may we ask that whilst you are on the school run that you be mindful of where and how you park. We are receiving a large amount of complaints including photos of offending vehicles of extremely inconsiderate and dangerous parking. Residents have been advised to call the police in these situations

Many thanks in anticipation of your cooperation

Mrs Bury.

School opportunity....

Do you have any spare time during the day? We are looking for relief lunch staff who would be able to come in at short notice to cover the children's lunch for an hour a day as required in the event of staff absence.

Please contact the school office if this would be of interest to you.

All successful candidates will be subject to relevant employment checks including an Enhanced DBS check and two references.

You will also be asked to complete a declaration to confirm that you are not disqualified under the Childcare(D) 2009 Regulations from working with children. Under the Childcare(D) 2009 Regulations from working with children.

World Mental Health Day

On Tuesday 10th October we celebrate World Mental Health Day and would love all children to show that it's "ok to not be ok" and that no one is alone. To do this we would love children to wear 1 yellow item: a pair of socks, a hair clip, a scarf, jumper etc. It is not full non uniform, just 1 item with yellow to show that we are all different but the same.

Wanted....

We are looking for donations of jigsaws, board games and card games for our quiet spaces at playtime.

Many thanks
Mrs Masters

Friends of St Joseph's
Help us raise FREE donations
Every time you shop online!

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stjosephsworcs/>

STARTING SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2024

- If you live in Worcestershire and
- Your child was born between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020



You need to apply for a school place by 15th January 2024. For more information and to apply, visit: www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Visit your local library to use a computer and apply for free. Or call the Worcestershire Hub on 01905 822 700.

Find out more online:
www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions

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TRANSFERRING TO SECONDARY SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER 2024

- If you live in Worcestershire and
- Your child is in their final year at Primary School



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ParentMail

Hopefully all parents are now connected to our online communication and payment platform, ParentMail!

Our aim is to be a cashless school and urge all parents to connect to Parentmail via the app to make payments for lunch, trips, club etc. If you experience any issues, please contact the school office who will be happy to help!

UNIFORM



We have a large supply of good quality school uniform readily available for all at the front of the main entrance.

Please come and help yourself, new stock added regularly!



St Joseph's Catholic
Primary School



Starting well Partnership
EVERY CONTACT SHAPES A LIFE

Healthy Families Growing up

Join
us!



“This was the best thing
I could have done to help
me be a better parent”

Free slow cooker and pantry
goods for those attending the
Henry programme*

*Subject to course completion



Free face to face group at

St Josephs Primary School, Worcester WR4 9PG

Wednesday 11th October 2023

Between 9.15 – 11.15am

Your local family Hub details can be found here:

<https://www.startingwellworcs.nhs.uk/contactus>

Or click on the QR code to book a place





30TH OCTOBER TO 3RD NOVEMBER

'SPOOKTACULAR' OCTOBER HOLIDAY CAMPS



**FOOTBALL
CAMP**



**ACTIVITY
CAMP**



**NERF
GUNS**



**PRIZES
TO BE
WON**

Year 1 - 7
£24 per DAY!
8:30am - 4:30pm

SCAN ME



SIGN UP
ONLINE



St George's Catholic Primary School
Thorneloe Walk, Worcester, WR1 3JY



RGS SPORTS TASTER MORNING

Please do come and join us for a fun morning of Sport at RGS Worcester for boys and girls of all abilities in Years Five and Six currently.

Saturday 7 October 2023
8.30am - 11.00am







Parents are invited to stay for a welcome presentation by the Director of Sport in Perrins Hall, RGS Worcester, at 9.00am

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This is a FREE event. To reserve your child's place please register by scanning the QR Code, email: sport@rgsw.org.uk or telephone: 01905 613391.

Pupils from the RGS Prep Schools will be invited to take part in separate Sports Taster events.



RGS SPORTS TASTER MORNING



At the Taster Morning, girls will have the opportunity to play Hockey and Netball whilst boys will play Rugby and Football (although all four sports are available for girls and boys at RGS). The session will also involve some general sports challenges.

Please bring the appropriate equipment with you (boots and gum shields are compulsory for Rugby, shin pads and gum shields will be required for Hockey, but Hockey sticks can be provided). All children should arrive wearing suitable sports kit for 8.30am.

There will be parking available at the back of RGS Worcester (off Tennis Walk, WR1 1PT). Visitors will be directed to Perrins Hall.

A presentation for parents will take place in Perrins Hall by the Director of Sport, Mr Keith Fowles at 9.00am and collection will be from Perrins Hall at 11.00am at the end of the Taster Morning.

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