

**Newsletter - 1 March 2019**

**Our Catholic Mission**

The Sacrament of the Eucharist – First Holy Communion – will be celebrated on Sunday 5 May 2019 at Ss Peter and Paul’s Church at 11 am.

There will be a meeting for parents of children who will be celebrating this important sacrament at 6 pm on Wednesday 20 March at Ss Peter & Paul’s School.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will now take place at 11 am on Sunday 23 June at Ss Peter and Paul’s Church.

There will be a penitential service for the Confirmandi at 6 pm on Monday 10 June at Holy Cross.

We look forward to welcoming family, friends and parishioners to our Ash Wednesday Service, with ashes, in school at 11.15 am on Wednesday 6 March 2019.

**Parish Mass/Children’s Liturgy**

The parish newsletter or website [www.romancatholiclichfield.co.uk](http://www.romancatholiclichfield.co.uk) contains information about Masses and other church notices.

Mass Times: 6pm Saturday @ SS Peter & Paul

(with Children’s Liturgy)

8.30am Sunday @ Holy Cross   
(with Children’s Liturgy)

11am Sunday @ SS Peter & Paul  
(with Children’s Liturgy)

**Star Workers**

Congratulations to our Star Workers this week:

**Reception**: Cora & Patryk

**Y1**: Aoife & Theo

**Y2:** Isabella & Sofia

**Y3:** Connie & Daniel

**Y4**: Lena & Edward

**Y5:** Milly & Danny

**Y6**: Harrison & Luke

**Headteacher’s Award**: Amelie & Jamie

**Attendance**

Congratulations to Y2- the class with the highest attendance of 99.7% this week.

**Welcome**

Please join me in welcoming Ben and his family to our school community; he has settled well into Year 1.

**MOMO CHALLENGE**

Please see the school website ‘News’ for more information.

**Uniform Reminder**

Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct uniform, in particular a tie and black school shoes.

**Y6 Junior Cadets**

To celebrate the 5000th Junior Cadet, the police have asked if Y6 can be included in a 1 minute film for social media made up of approx 3 second clips from a number of children saying what they have enjoyed the most about Junior Cadets; pictures may also be included.

If you **DO NOT** want your child to be included in this, please let Miss Teague or the office know.

**World Book Day – 7 March 2019**

We’re looking forward to seeing the children come to school dressed up as their favourite story character as this year’s theme for World Book Day is ‘We’re sharing a story’.

**Family Lunch – Thursday 7 March SURNAMES O-R (WEEK 2 MENU)**

**MENU CHOICE TO BE IN BY 12 NOON ON TUESDAY 5 MARCH 2019**

Come and enjoy a school meal with your children on Thursday 7 March 2019 at 11.45am. Please ensure your account is in credit by at least £2.76 for your lunch on parent pay. Menu choices are available on the school website. Please email your choice to [lunches@st-josephs-lichfield.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:lunches@st-josephs-lichfield.staffs.sch.uk) before 12 noon on Tuesday 5 March as places are limited. Unfortunately, we will be unable to take bookings after the deadline.

**Maths Workshops – dates for your diary**

You do not need to advise us of your attendance, please just turn up

Y5 Tuesday 5 March

Y3 Wednesday 20 March

Y4 Thursday 21 March

Y2 Thursday 28 March

**Y5 Space Centre visit – 15 March 2019**

The visit has been arranged for Friday 15 March. The children will need to be at school by 8.40 am ready to leave at 8.45 am. Thank you.

**Building Fund**

**Community News**

St Patrick’s Day Dance – The Governing Board would like to invite you to join them for live music, dancing and a licensed Bar on 15th March 2019 from 7pm to 11.30pm here at school. This is an **Adults Only** event. **Tickets cost just £8** (including fish & chips)and are available from the school office or from church and all profits are donated to the Building Fund (please bring exact amounts as we do not have change). Cheques can be made payable to ‘St Joseph’s Catholic Primary School’.

Raffle prizes donated to date include:

* Night for 2 at the Ibis Style Hotel, Birmingham
* Gianni Conti handbag
* Tobogganing session for 2 at the SnowDome
* Radley Canvas Shopping Bags
* Dulwich jewellery case
* Meal for 2 at Bilash, Fradley

We are very grateful to all our parents who have contributed to the Building Fund. As you will know your donations help us maintain and improve the school premises, without them our school would not be the wonderful, bright and airy place that it is! If you are able to make a donation, this can be done by ParentPay, cheque or standing order. Please see the school website for more information. Thank you.

**After School Clubs**

Please see the school website for more information.

**WANTED: Floppy’s Phonics Books**

If any parents has any copies or sets of Floppy’s Phonics books (in good condition) that are no longer required, we would be very grateful if you could donate them to school. Thank you.

**Pre-School**

* We will be learning the sound ‘e’ next week.
* We would be grateful if you could save any plastic bottle tops for fun woodwork activities
* If you wish your child to enjoy a delicious school lunch, please ensure your ParentPay account is in credit. Thank you.
* Please remember to send the children with warm appropriate clothing including hats and gloves as we are outside whatever the weather!

**Snacks**

Snacks now need to be pre-booked on ParentPay. You can book and cancel up until 8 am on the day.

Please do not send your child with any cereal bars, chocolate bars or other confectionary item. Thank you.

**Parking**

Please park considerately on Cherry Orchard and in surrounding side streets. Please do not mount the grass verges in front of residents’ houses.

**PTFA News**

Please see the school website (<http://stjosephscatholicprimary.sites.schooljotter2.com/our-school/ptfa>) and calendar for more information. Events coming up include:

* 8 March – if you can, please come along to the Turnpike to help sort out the next few PTFA events
* 29 March - Mother’s Day Craft Market (order form available on the website) – deadline for orders is 8 March.
* ****5 April - Easter Egg Bingo

***And Finally…***

A big thank you to Y2 today for their lovely assembly, providing a mine of information about St David!

May God be with you

Mrs D McLeary

Headteacher

Happy Saint David’s Day

