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**Our Catholic Mission**

**Advance Notice**

In preparation for the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation at the end of June, there will be a Service of Light for Year 6 children during the Family Mass at 11.00 am at SS Peter and Paul’s on Sunday 22nd May. This is an invitation to children of all year groups and their families. Our family Masses are always wonderful occasions – if you haven’t been to one yet, please do try to come along and bring your family

**Parish Mass/Children’s Liturgy**

The parish newsletter or website www.romancatholiclichfield.co.uk contains information about Masses and other church notices.

Mass Times: 6.00pm Saturday @ SS Peter & Paul (with Children’s Liturgy)

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

11.00am Sunday @ SS Peter & Paul (with Children’s Liturgy)

**Star Workers**

Well done to our Star Workers this week:

**Reception: Luke and Esmee**

**Y1: Sam and Olivia**

**Y2: Lauren and Sam C**

***Y3: (no star workers - FHC practice this morning)***

**Y4: Matthew and Thomas O’B**

**Y5: Julian and Megan**

**Y6: Clayton and Sophie**

**Head Teacher’s Award: John and Angelica**

**Attendance**

Congratulations to Reception, the class with the highest attendance this week with 100% – well done.

**Newsletter**

Can parents please sign up to the newsletter via the school website <http://www.stjosephslichfield.org.uk/>

You can also find the latest newsletters and past newsletters on the website.

**Family Lunch Wednesday O-S 18 May 2016 – ORDERS TO BE IN BY 12 NOON ON MONDAY 16 MAY**

Come and enjoy a school meal with your children on Wednesday 18 May 2016 at 11.45am. Please pay £2.76 for your lunch on parent pay by Tuesday 3 May using your child’s school dinner account. Menu choices available are: Roast Chicken and Yorkshire Pudding, Mediterranean Pasta Bake, jacket potato, cheese, ham or tuna sandwich. Please speak to, or email, Mrs Burke by 12 noon on Monday 16 May of your menu choice.

**Year Six SATs**

Please remember to get lots of rest, eat well and arrive for school with time to spare next week. Also, bring your mascot to support you!

**Bikeability – 29 and 30 June 2016**

We are very fortunate to get funding from the Department of Transport for Bikeability cycling courses delivered by qualified instructors to Y5 and Y6. Letters have been sent out via email and children have taken home the consent forms. Y5 – Level 1 will take place after school with half the class on Wednesday at 3.30pm and half on Thursday at 3.30pm. Y6 – Level 2 is a multiple day course split over the Wednesday and Thursday during the day. Please could you make sure consent forms are returned by Monday 13 June?

**Y5 – Lichfield Festival Dhal in a Day – Thursday 7 July 2016**

Tickets for the performance are now on sale and available on the Garrick website <http://www.lichfieldgarrick.com/7C-Dahl-In-A--Day/> at a cost of £5.00. Please could you let Mrs Thomas know if your child in Y5 is unable to make the performance in the evening?

**Father Hudson**

Thank you to those families who returned the collection boxes for the Father Hudson’s Society Good Shepherd Appeal. The amount raised by St Joseph’s was £277.00.

**School Disco**

A huge thank you to the amazing army of volunteers who helped out at the School Disco last Friday.  It was great to have so much help from parents of children in all age groups.  We were able to share the workload and I think/hope no-one left feeling exhausted, the clear-up at the end took less than half an hour - An inspiring collaboration. From what we’ve heard the children had a great time and we took over £500 on the night.  Total profit after expenses came to £349.28….another step closer to buying a more solid and swanky school stage!  Thank you all.

**Walking Bus**

We have received a late request from a parent wishing to re-instate the walking bus. We are unable to do this for just one or two children, however if you are interested, please could you let us know. This is an ideal way to get to school without worrying about parking and traffic on Cherry Orchard.

**Parent Pay**

Can you please check your child’s Parentpay account this weekend and clear any outstanding balances before return to school next week. Thank you.

Year 6 Laches Wood Visit – Full payment is due by 1st May 2016.

**Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancies**

We have vacancies for a Senior Lunchtime Supervisor and Lunchtime Supervisors. If you are interested or know of anyone who would be interested, the application form is on our website [www.stjosephslichfield.org.uk](http://www.stjosephslichfield.org.uk)

**E-safety**

Remember to speak to your children about e-safety – the Think U Know website <http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

gives you the latest information on the sites you like to visit and is aimed at all ages. All the information is supplied by the team at the [NCA's CEOP Command](http://www.ceop.police.uk/).

**Parent View**

Did you know that you can now give your views about St. Joseph’s online? Google Parent view. Then, you will be asked to respond to a series of questions about the school. Please take this opportunity to positively support St. Joseph’s.

http://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/assets/234x60-half-banner.gif

**Half Term Art Club**

For more information on the Half Term Art Club please ask at the office

**Found**

If you lost an earring last night, a parent kindly handed it in to the school office.

During May, the month of Our Lady, we remember –

“Mary is our guide, our teacher and our mother.”

Don Bosco

**And Finally…**



Thanks to Y2 for their wonderful Celebration Assembly this morning.

May God be with you.

Mrs D McLeary

He is Lord.

He is risen from the dead and He is Lord.

Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess:

Jesus Christ is Lord

Headteacher

**Looking Ahead…**

**School Dates –**

**Changes in red**

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| Monday 9th May | SATS week  No assembly |
| Friday 13th May | Y3 FHC practice am @ SS P&P  No Celebration assembly |
| Sunday 15th May | First Holy Communion @ SS P&P 1.00pm |
| Monday 16th May | 9.30 am Mass of thanksgiving  Topic week |
| Tuesday 17th May | Homework returned |
| Wednesday 18th May | Family lunch O-S |
| Thursday 19th May | 5pm -Laches Wood parent’s meeting |
| Friday 20th May | Year 1 Celebration Assembly  Set homework |
| Sunday 22nd May | 11.00 am Service of Light – SS P&P |
| Monday 23rd May | 9.10 am Mission Assembly  Y2/4 class Mass @ Holy Cross |
| Wednesday 25th May | 9.10am House assemblies  Family Lunch T-Z |
| Friday 27th May | Pre-school Celebration assembly  Break up for half term |
| Monday 6th June | Y6 residential week – Laches Wood  No assembly  11am Y5 farm animals talk |
| Tuesday 7th June | Return homework |
| Friday 10th June | Y5 Dahl in a day workshop in hall  No celebration assembly  Set homework |
| Monday 13th June | Phonics screening week  9.10 am Mission Assembly  Y5/rec Class Mass @Holy Cross |
| Wednesday 15th June | 2.00pm Music Assembly |
| Friday 17th June | Y3 Celebration assembly  Big Bash Y5/6 5pm – 8pm |
| Monday 20th June | 9.10am Mission Assembly |
| Tuesday 21st June | Return homework |
| Wednesday 22nd June | RSPB workshops |
| Thursday 23rd June | 9.30 am Bishop McGough to see Y6 |
| Friday 24th June | Sports Day and family picnic  KS1 am - KS2 pm  Set homework |
| Sunday 26th June | Confirmation -1.00pm – SS P&P |
| Monday 27th June | INSET Day |
| Wednesday 29th June | Confirmation Mass of thanksgiving 2.30pm – Feast of SS Peter and Paul  Bikeability |
| Thursday 30th June | Y5 out – St Francis D&T day  Bikeability |
| Friday 1st July | St Joseph’s transition morning |
| Monday 4th July | Topic week  9.10am Mission assembly  Y3/1 class Mass @ Holy Cross |
| Tuesday 5th July | Homework returned |
| Wednesday 6th July | Reception new parent’s meeting 6pm  Y4 – finish swimming for term |
| Thursday 7th July | Y5 at Garrick theatre – Dahl project  6pm – performance at Garrick |
| Friday 8th July | Reception Celebration assembly  Set homework  Summer Fayre |
| Monday 11th July | 9.10 am Mission assembly |
| Tuesday 12th July | Reception new parents picnic 2.30-3.30pm |
| Wednesday 13th July | 6pm – open evening  7pm Y5/6 performance |
| Monday 18th July | 9.10am Mission assembly |
| Tuesday 19th July | Return homework |
| Wednesday 20th July | Leaver’s Mass 2.30pm |
| Thursday 21st July | Leaver’s celebration pm |
| Friday 22nd July | Leaver’s assembly 9.15am  Break up 2.30pm |