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**Our Catholic Mission**

We pray for all our Year 6 children who made their Confirmation last Sunday – they were well prepared, mature and reverent. We were all very proud of them. My thanks to Miss Swan who prepared them so well. Bishop David McGough celebrated the Mass and so many people have commented on what a beautiful Mass it was.

My thanks also to the many parents who attended the thanksgiving Mass in the school on Wednesday. Thank you to all the parishioner who came to celebrate the feast of Saints Peter and Paul – it was lovely to see such a large turn-out.

**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)

**Attendance**

Congratulations to Y4, the class with the highest attendance this week with 100% attendance.

**Y5 – Lichfield Festival Dahl 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. For further information on shows at the Garrick during the Festival go to [www.lichfieldgarrick.com](http://www.lichfieldgarrick.com)

**Twitter**If you would like to keep up-to-date on our many exciting adventures in school, take a look at our Twitter feed – @StJoesLichfield which is regularly updated with photographs and activities. It is fun, informative and a great way to keep in touch.

**Topic Week**

Next week as part of topic week, Y1 will be looking at old and new toys. If you have any “old fashioned toys” that we could look at we would be very grateful.

**Lost**

If anyone has seen a white rain-mac with daisies on – could you please let the office or Mrs Thomas know. The coat is clearly labelled.

**Sports Day**

Many thanks to all who came to Sports Day and the family picnic. The heavens opened just before we could announce the scores – they are as follows:

1st place – 127 points – St. Chad

2nd place – 112 points – St. Clare

3rd place – 85 points – St. Francis

4th place – 82 points – St. Margaret

***Superstars***

*Thank you to everyone who raised sponsorship money for Superstars. All the children had a fantastic time! My thanks to Mrs Bateman for all her hard work in organising the event. Please remember to tick the gift aid box if you are a taxpayer and to bring your sponsorship money back to school by Friday 8th July. There will be some prizes for the children/ families who raise the most. Thanks again!*

**PTFA**

Getting ready for the Summer Fayre – 8 July 2016

Thank you for your contributions so far. Donations for the stalls are still being accepted in school for

* Soft toys
* Chocolates
* Alcohol
* unwanted books, toys and games donations
* those wonderful filled jar donations that sell out in about 30 seconds…

         Tuesday 5th July – Smelly donations…. In a good way, that is..

         Friday 8th July – Cakes please!

**Raffle Tickets**

Please make sure all sold raffle ticket stubbs are returned to school

**Library & Reading Books**

Please could parents ensure that all school library and reading books are returned to school no later than Friday 15th July.

**Parent Pay**

As we head towards the end of term, could we please ask that you settle all parent pay accounts for dinner money and trips.

**Father Hudson’s Society**

Many thanks to the children who donated to the Father Hudson’s Good Shepherd Appeal 2016 – you raised £277 – well done!

**Pre-School**

If anyone has jigsaw puzzles and dressing up clothes suitable for Pre-School, please drop them in to the office?

**Charity Fun day**

The family of Leah Johnstone, in Y6, are holding a charity Fun day at Bridge Farm, Whittington, WS14 9NT, on Sunday 3rd July. They would like to invite you to come along.

**Keele**

Congratulations and well done to Millie C, Bronagh, Isobel S and Hannah who won through to represent St. Joseph’s at the Cross country finals in Keele University. What a tremendous achievement!

**And Finally…**

What a pleasure it was to meet many of our newest members of our school community today as our new reception children for September came in to have an introduction session. Next Wednesday evening at 6.00 pm we will hold our new parents meeting. I am looking forward to meeting our many new parents. We welcome our new reception children back on Tuesday 12th July for a ‘teddy bear’s picnic’.



May God be with you.

Day is done. Gone the sun,

From the sea, From the hills,

From the sky. All is well,

Safely rest! God is nigh.

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 4th July | Topic week  9.10am Mission assembly  Y3/1 class Mass @ Holy Cross  Y5 visit to Fire Station |
| Tuesday 5th July | Homework returned  Y6 Transition day – St Francis |
| Wednesday 6th July | Reception @ Cannock Chase TBC  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  Y5 @ St Francis of Assisi – Languages Day  Set homework  Summer Fayre |
| Monday 11th July | 9.10 am Mission assembly- Visit by medical detection dog |
| Tuesday 12th July | Reception new parents picnic 2.30-3.30pm |
| Wednesday 13th July | 6pm – open evening  7pm Y5/6 performance |
| Friday 15th July | Leaver’s Mass 2.30 pm |
| Monday 18th July | 9.10am Mission assembly |
| Tuesday 19th July | Return homework |
| Thursday 21st July | Leaver’s celebration pm |
| Friday 22nd July | Leaver’s assembly 9.15am  Break up 2.30pm |