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Newsletter



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Our Catholic Mission

Please remember there will be a Family Mass for Lent on Sunday 19 March at 11am at SS P&P's to celebrate the Feast of St Joseph. Everyone is very welcome and extra singers in the choir are always appreciated! Children do not have to wear uniform. Following Mass you are also welcome to the Parish Annual Lenten Lunch where bread and soup will be served in SSP&P school hall for a donation. All proceeds to SVP for those in famine blighted South Sudan.

Section 48 Inspection

RE, Catholic Life and Collective Worship at St Joseph's was inspected by the Diocese on Wednesday 8 and Thursday 9 March this week. Thank you to Fr Gerry and all those who came to celebrate Mass with us on Thursday - the turnout was fantastic! The inspection went well and the report will be with us in a couple of weeks.

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: Aiofe and Ria
Y1: Noah W and India
Y2: Adin and Thea
Y3: Iris and Tyler
Y4: Sam and Joel
Y5: Lucas and John
Y6: Maisy and Angelica

Head Teacher's Award: Michael H, Katie L and Owen

LENT CHARITY

The School Council took the Assembly on Monday morning launching their chosen Lent Charity Appeal in aid of CAFOD "Turn Little Fish into BIG Fish". The charity's aim is to help support fish farmers in countries less fortunate than ours. Each child has taken home a paper fish on which to write their own prayer and the prayers are/will be displayed around the learning hub. As part of the fundraising, each class have made a big fish out of collected coins. Today children are wearing blue and donating £1.00 to the charity. We are aiming to raise £200 to enable someone to build and maintain a fish-stocked pond to feed their community. Thank you so much to the School Council for organising this fundraising and thank you for helping to support their chosen charity.

Attendance

Congratulations to Y2 with 100% attendance this week - well done.



Family Lunch - P-R - Week 3 - Wednesday 15 March 2017

MENU CHOICES TO BE IN TO MRS BURKE BY NOON ON MONDAY 13 MARCH. Come and enjoy a school meal with your children on Wednesday 15 March at 11.45am. Adult lunches are £2.76 to be paid on parent pay by Monday 13 March using your child's school dinner account. Menu choices are Roast Pork and stuffing; Cauliflower Cheese; Jacket Potato; Ham, cheese or tuna sandwich.

House Football Matches - Y3/Y4

On Wednesday 15 March Year 3 and Year 4 will be having House football matches during their PE session. Please bring in a top in your house colour.

Parent's evening

Don't forget that it is Parent's evenings next week. It's important to take this opportunity to find out about the progress that your child is making at St. Joseph's. Sign up in the porch if you haven't done so already.

Competition

We are rebranding our kitchen/lunchtime environment and invite the children to help Cook Judy and the catering team design a suitable picture/logo for the area; the name chosen for the re-branding is

Orchard Café @ St Joseph's. A box for the entries will be sited outside the kitchen and the closing date for the competition is Friday 7 April. The name of the winner will be announced the week of 24 April 2017 after the Easter holidays.

Tag Rugby

Reminder there is no The Tag Rugby on Wednesday 15 March.



PTFA Mother's Day Market

The PTFA are delighted to announce they are going to hold their first Mothers' Day Market at school on Friday 24th March 2017 during school hours. Golden Time has been extended to give all children a chance to make something beautiful for the special ladies in their life. If you would like your child to make a gift, please select one item and send your child in with the correct amount of money by Wednesday, 15th March. If you are able to help with these arts & crafts activities, please let the PTFA know.

Parent Pay

Please could parents check their ParentPay account and ensure that it brought into credit if necessary. Thank you.

Parent Communications

From 1 April 2017, our text and email messaging to parents is changing. To ensure that you continue to receive the weekly newsletter, please subscribe via our website www.stjosephslichfield.org.uk. Thank you.

RSPB

On Wednesday 22 March, Reception and Year 1 will be learning and having fun during a workshop with the RSPB.



And finally...

Many thanks to Year 2 for their wonderful assembly this morning. The children had learned their lines so well, and the singing and acting were great - well done!

May God be with you.

Mrs D McLeary

Headteacher





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Looking Ahead...
School Dates -
Changes in red

Monday 13 th March	9.10 am - Mission assembly Y6 and Y2 Mass at Holy Cross 9.30 am
Tuesday 14 th March	Homework due
Wednesday 15 th March	Pre-School Vista photographs Family lunch - surnames P-R Parents Evening 4 - 6.30pm
Thursday 16 th March	Parents Evening 5 - 7.30pm
Friday 17 th March	Y1 celebration assembly - all parents welcome Homework set
Sunday 19 th March	Feast of St. Joseph (19 th) Family Mass SS P&P 11.00am
Monday 20 th March	TOPIC WEEK THIS WEEK Mission assembly 9.10am
Tuesday 21 st March	Sacrament of Reconciliation - Holy Cross - 2.00pm
Wednesday 22 nd March	Family lunch - surnames S-T RSPB Visit to school for YR and Y1
Friday 24 th March	YR celebration assembly - all parents welcome PTFA Mother's Day Market during Golden Time (Time to be agreed)
Monday 27 th March	9.10 am - Mission assembly Y5 and Y3 Mass at Holy Cross 9.30 am
Tuesday 28 th March	Homework due
Wednesday 29 th March	Family lunch - surnames U-Z
Friday 31 st March	Set homework
Monday 3 rd April	9.10 am - Mission assembly
Tuesday 4 th April	1.30pm - Y3 and Y4 Dress Rehearsal
Wednesday 5 th April	6.00pm - Y3 and 4 Easter Play
Thursday 6 th April	2.30pm - Stations of the Cross PTFA Family bingo 5.30-7.30
Friday 7 th April	Am - Easter Egg Treasure Hunt 2.30pm Breakup
	A few extras!
Monday 24 th April	Return to school
Sunday 7 th May	First Holy Communion - SS Peter and Paul's - 1.00pm
Monday 8 th May	SATs week
Friday 26 th May	Sports Day Break up for half term
Monday 5 th June	INSET Day
Tuesday 6 th June	Children return to school
Monday 3 rd July	Y6 residential week - Standon Bowers
Tuesday 25 th July	Break up for summer 2.30pm