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**Our Catholic Mission**

**Confirmation**

We pray for all our Year 6 children who are making their Confirmation on Sunday 25th June, at 1.00 pm at Ss. Peter & Paul’s. We welcome Bishop David McGough who will be celebrating the Mass. He will be visiting the children on Thursday 22nd June and I am sure he will be impressed with their understanding and questions. All other children are welcome to come and sing in the choir. My apologies that I won’t be there as I am away on a family commitment. I would like to thank Miss Cooper, Mrs Wall and Mr Madigan for leading us in the music.

Mass of Thanksgiving for Confirmation on Tuesday at 27th June at 2.30 pm.

**50th Anniversary Mass – SS Peter and Paul**

You are all invited to a Mass, celebrated by Archbishop Bernard Longley, on Thursday 29th June at 7pm to celebrate 50 years since SS Peter and Paul’s Church was built.

**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: 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: Mason and Lottie

Y1: Sebastian and Dolly, Louis and Charlie

Y2: George and Lowry

Y3: Lily and Harry L

Y4: Mary and Keira

Y5: Katie and Ellis

Y6: Eleanor and Art

Head Teacher’s Award: Isaac B and Martin W

**Attendance**

Congratulations to Y with % attendance this week – well done.

**Family Lunch – Friday 23 June N-R – Week 2**

MENU CHOICES TO BE IN TO MRS BURKE BY NOON ON WEDNESDAY 21 JUNE 2017 Come and enjoy a school meal with your children on Friday 23 June at 11.45am. Adult lunches are £2.76 to be paid on parent pay using your child’s school dinner account. Menu choices are Fish fingers, tomato and basil pasta bake; Jacket Potato; cheese or tuna sandwich.

**Y6 Transitions**

Y6 children who will be going to St. Francis have their transition day on Monday 10 July.

Next week, King Edwards and The Friary have their transition days on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Children who're going to the Friary will need to make their own way there and back on both days.

King Edward's children need to come into school as normal on the Tuesday and they will be escorted down to King Edwards by two members of staff who will then return to school. Parents are responsible for collecting or instructing their children on arrangements for home time. On the Wednesday, King Edwards children need to make their own way to and back from King Edwards.

**End of Term**

Please remember, that as published last academic year, the last day of term this year is Tuesday 25th July. Children are expected to be in school on Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th July.

**Collection for Father Gerry**

We have received news that Father Anthony Dykes will be our new Parish priest from August onwards.

If you would like to give towards a collection to thank Fr Gerry for all he has done for the children of St. Joseph’s, please hand in to the office. Thank you.

**Pantomine – Aladdin**

The Pantomine this year has been booked for Wednesday 6 Decmber 2017 at 1pm and is £11.00. To be paid on Parent Pay

**No nuts**

Please could we remind you not to include nuts in your child’s packed lunches. We have several children in school with serious nut allergies and therefore in order to protect them we must ensure that no nuts or nut products come into school. We appreciate your help with this matter.

**Flower beds**We would like to thank everyone who has donated plants for the flower boxes in school, particularly the Methodist Church. Our thanks above all to Mrs Coy and the Beavers who have worked hard with the planting during their unit meetings to make the boxes look so attractive.

**Parking**

When you are dropping off or picking up children from school, please ensure that you park considerately either on Cherry Orchard or on the neighbouring roads.

**Tag rugby**

Huge congratulations to Y3/Y4 Tag Rugby team for coming 2nd overall and making it through to the Keele finanls next Friday 23 June.

**Hockey**

Well done to the Y3/Y4 Hockey team who came 3rd overall and played really well, given that most had only had just a few after-school hockey sessions.

**Trip and sports letters**

For all trips and sporting events, letters are sent out with a return by date. To avoid disappointment of not being able to attend the event, would you please ensure the consent forms are returned by the due date given on the letters. Before the event the necessary documentation and risk assessments have to be authorised and in place.

**Donation Days for the Summer Fayre**

Donation Days for the Summer Fayre on Friday 14 July. Could you please let the PTFA know if you are able to help on one of the stalls, selling raffle tickets etc.

Friday 23 June **Soft toys** – please wash

Friday 30 June **Toiletries/gift sets and pocket money items**

Friday 7 July **Bottles (**alcoholic and non-alcholic), **sweets and chocolates**



Friday 14 July **Cakes** – bought or homemade

Please pray for ourYear 6 children who are preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation.

**And finally…**

May God be with you.

Mrs D McLeary

Headteacher

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**School Dates –**

**Changes in red**

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|  | Summer term |

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| Monday 19th June | 9.10 am Mission Assembly  Pre-school to Reception transition am |
| Tuesday 20th June | Whole school Mass – 9.30am – school hall TBC  Homework due  Y6 King Edwards transition day  Y6 Friary transition day |
| Wednesday 21st June | Y3/4 Maths workshop for parents – 9.15-10.30am  New Reception/ Pre-school mtg 6.00pm  Y6 King Edwards transition day  Y6 Friary transition day  Y2 trip to Sealife Centre – uniform please |
| Thursday 22nd June | Bishop McGough visit 1.00pm  Y4 trip to the Think Tank – uniform please |
| Friday 23rd June | Y1 Celebration assembly  Family Lunch N-R  Please bring in soft toys for the Adopt a Bear stall |
| Sunday 25th June | Confirmation - 1.00pm SS. P&P’s |
| Monday 26th June | Mission assembly 9.10 am  Y2/5 Mass at Holy Cross – 9.30am |
| Tuesday 27th June | Confirmation Thanksgiving Mass – 9.30am  Y6 Netherstowe transition day |
| Wednesday 28th June | 2.00pm – Music Assembly  Y6 Netherstowe transition day |
| Thursday 29th June | 50th Anniversary of SS. P&P’s – Mass at 7.00pm |
| Friday 30th June | Rec celebration assembly  Family Lunch S-V  Please bring in smellies and donations for a pocket money stall |
| Monday 3rd July | Y6 residential – Standon Bowers  No assembly |
| Tuesday 4th July | Homework due |
| Wednesday 5th July | Reception new parents picnic 2.30-3.30pm |
| Friday 7th July | Pre-school Celebration assembly  Family Lunch W-Z  PTFA summer party – Coton House farm  Please bring in donations of alcohol, sweets and chocolates |
| Monday 10th July | 9.10am Mission Assembly  Y6 St Francis Transition day  Y3/6 Mass at Holy Cross 9.30am |
| Tuesday 11th July | Reports to parents |
| Wednesday 12th July | Open evening 6.00pm  Y5/6 performance 7.00pm |
| Friday 14th July | St. Joseph’s transition morning  Summer Fayre  Please bring in cake donations |
| Monday 17th July | Mission assembly 9.10am  Reception and Pre-School trip to Ash End Farm – no uniform |
| Tuesday 18th July | Pre-school graduation – hall 1.00pm  Y3 trip to the Botanical Gardens – uniform please |
| Friday 21st July | Assembly pm Good to be Green/ Attendance Awards |
| Monday 24th July | Leaver’s Mass – 9.30am school hall  Leaver’s celebration afternoon |
| Tuesday 25th July | Leaver’s assembly 9.30am  Break up 2.30pm |

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| **Autumn Term - 2017** | |  |
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|  | ***Inset Day*** | ***Monday 4 September*** |
|  | School Opens | Tuesday 5 September |
| 3.30pm | School Closes (half term) | Friday 20 October |
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|  | ***Inset Day***  School Opens | ***Monday 30 October***  Tuesday 31 October |
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| 2.30pm | School Closes (Christmas) | Tuesday 19 December |
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| **Spring Term 2018** | |  |
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|  | ***Inset Day*** | ***Wednesday 3 January*** |
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|  | School Opens | Thursday 4 January |
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|  | ***Inset Day*** | ***Friday 26 January*** |
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| 3.30pm | School Closes (half term) | Friday 16 February |
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|  | School Opens | Monday 26 February |
| 2.30pm | School Closes (Easter) | Thursday 29 March |
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| **Summer Term 2018** | |  |
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|  | School Opens | Thursday 12 April |
|  | **Bank Holiday** | **Monday 7 May** |
| 3.30pm | School Closes (half term) | Friday 25 May |
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|  | School Opens  ***Inset Day*** | Monday 4 June  ***Monday 25 June*** |
| 2.30pm | School Closes (Summer) | Friday 20 July |
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