

Cherry Orchard, Lichfield, WS14 9AN Tel: 01543 263505 23 June 2017

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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 was very impressed with the children when he visited yesterday. All other children are welcome to come and sing in the choir. 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: Ria and Lennon

Y1: Neve and Oscar

Y2: Lena and Alyssa

Y3: Sophie and Kacper

Y4: Joseph and Charlie

Y5: Isaac and Finn

Y6: Tom

Head Teacher’s Award: Millie P and Bobby

**Attendance**

Congratulations to Y3 an Y6 with 99% attendance this week – well done.

**Family Lunch – Friday 30 June – Week 3**

MENU CHOICES TO BE IN TO MRS BURKE BY NOON ON WEDNESDAY 28 JUNE 2017 Come and enjoy a school meal with your children on Friday 30 June at 11.45am. Adult lunches are £2.76 to be paid on parent. Menu choices are fish fingers or salmon bites, vegetable fingers, Jacket Potato; cheese or tuna sandwich.

**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.

**Y1 assembly**

A huge thank you to Year 1 for their wonderful assembly. It is fabulous to see them growing up as shining examples of St. Joseph’s.

**Social Media Reminder**

Please could we remind adults that photographs of other children taken in school should not be shared on any social media site.

**Parent Survey**

The Governing Body recognises that parents are the most important influence in a child’s life. Our aim is to build a thriving relationship between the Governing Board and parents/carers. We very much value your opinions & appreciate your support in filling in this questionnaire. <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/stjoesjune2017>

**Music Assembly**

We look forward to welcoming parents, family and friends to our Music Assembly on Wednesday 28 June at 2pm.

The children have worked really hard and it promises to be a spectacular event. All pupils performing will need to bring in their instruments/drumsticks on Wednesday morning.

**Water bottles in class**

During the hot weather it is important that children remember to bring their water bottles in to school every day. Water bottles in class must contain water only, not juice.

**Lichfield Primary Schools' Speaking Competition.**

Chairman Mark Warfield, Deputy Mayor and Mayoress Clark David Leytham and Mrs Jan Leytham-Gain were judges for the Speaking Competition. Mrs Rowe (Chair of Governors) reported that our 2 representatives from St Joseph’s Claudia (Y6) and Thomas K (Y5) spoke exceptionally well. Please join us in congratulating Caludia who won the Y6 age group. We are very proud of them both.

**Themed lunch - 11 July 2017**

**Picnic at the Beach**

Pizza wedges, chicken goujons, vegetarian pastry rolls, sausage rolls, tuna and pasta salad, vegetable dipping sticks with sour cream and garlic mayo.

Melon and strawberry kebabs, crunchy orange cookies, citrus sponge squares.

Summer berry juice or chilled water

**St Giles Summer Soltice Walk**

Mrs Meakin, Mrs Adams, Mrs Malin and Mrs Tonks took part in the walk and raised £230.00. Well done ladies.

**Iron Man**

Mr and Mrs Ray raised an amazing £1.000.00 for Scope – thank you to everyone who sponsored them.

**Father Hudson**

We raised £244.90 for the Good Shepherd Appeal 2017. Our thanks to everyone for their generous support.

**Parking and Cycling**

When dropping off or picking children up from school, please park considerately either on Cherry Orchard or neighbouring roads. Please also make sure if you are cycling to school on the footpath or road, that you are careful not to run into people.

**Trip and sports letters**

For trips and sporting events, letters are sent out with a return by date. Please ensure consent forms are returned by the due date. Before the event documentation/ risk assessments have to be authorised and in place.

**Donation Days for the Summer Fayre**

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

**And finally…**

Many thanks to the parents of our new children starting in Reception and Pre- school in September, who attended our meeting on Wednesday evening. Even though we were melting, it was lovely for us to meet each other and answer any questions that you may have had.



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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| 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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