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**Our Catholic Mission**

On Monday 24th July at 9.30pm , Father Gerry will be in school to celebrate the Leaver’s Mass for Year 6. This will be his and our very last Mass of the academic year and you are all warmly invited to attend.

**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: Jacob and Daisy

Y1: Samir and Tess

Y2:Elodie and Lucas

Y4: Oisin and Joel

Y5: Eric

Head Teacher’s Award: James R and Harry B

**Attendance**

Congratulations to Y3 and Y5 with 100% attendance this week – well done.

**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.

**Music Tuition**

The music lessons contracts have been emailed out. If your child is interested in starting instrument lessons, or continuing instrument lessons, please complete the appropriate forms and hand in to the office by 14 July.

**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.

**YR – Y1 Transition morning**

Children in Reception are having an extra transition morning on Wednesday 19 July – children to come in to Reception class as normal.

**Social Media - Information for parents - Snapchat Update**

There has been a recent change regarding how Snapchat is set up and how it can be used to identify where users are when utilising Snapchat, along with what activity they are doing. Specific information about the new feature can be found at:

<http://www.childnet.com/blog/introducing-snap-maps-the-new-location-sharing-feature-in-Snapchat>

**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

**Reports**

Your child will be bringing their end of year report home with them next Tuesday. This is a reflection of all they have achieved during the school year. Please take some time to discuss the many positives, and also area for development they made need to work on. Their attendance will also be included – please note that attendance is calculated by counting ½ day sessions.

**Open Evening**

You are invited to Open evening on Wednesday 12th July 6.00-7.00pm. Please take the opportunity to have an informal chat with your child’s current teacher and see some of the wonderful work that has gone on this year. Please also feel free to introduce yourself to your child’s new teacher for next year.

**Goodbye**

At the end of this term it is with great sadness that we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Adams, Mrs Sporcic and Miss Grundy (Pre-School) who have worked hard during their time at St Joseph’s, contributed a great deal to our school and will be greatly missed. Please join me in thanking and wishing them all the very best for the future.

**Toy Day – Y1 to Y6**

It is bring a Toy Day on Friday 21 July. Children may bring in a toy, however please make sure the toys are not electronic or valuable.



**Ahoy Me Hearties – join us in Neverland with a sprinkle of Fairy Dust**

As part of our Once Upon a Time theme, based on Peter Pan, we are asking Pre-School and Reception children to come in a peter pan themed costume on Friday 21 July. **They do not need to bring a toy that day.** Parents are invited from 2.45pm to hometime to participate in our activities. Please could you send in a small donation of food for the party.Tick Tock Tick Tock.

**PTFA Summer Fayre – Friday 14 July 2017**

We are very excited about our summer fayre next Friday (14 July) and are hoping for many of you to come and support the event. We are looking for

- helpers on stalls (desperately! We have 10 stalls we need helpers for or we can't run them)

****- gazebos loaned & installed for the day

- cooler boxes loaned & provided by 12/7

- extension leads loaned & provided by 12/7

- lots & lots & lots of raffle tickets sold

- lots & lots & lots of donations

We have many lovely stalls, which we hope you and the kids will enjoy:

- Tombolas: teddies, bottles, chocolate/sweets, smellies/cremes/soaps

- Fun & Games: lucky dip, football, tennis, apple bobbing, photo booth

- Food & drinks: BBQ, drinks, cakes & cookies, sweets, & waffles

- Other: bows & hair accessories, Sentsy candles, balloon animals, 2nd hand school uniform, ...

Please email us [ptfa@stjosephslichfield.org.uk](mailto:ptfa@stjosephslichfield.org.uk) to let us know how you can help or sign your name on the sheet on the school doors

NOTE: Please note that the bouncy castle will operate differently this year. Your child will be able to buy a wristband for £5, which will allow her/him access for the entire afternoon, coming & going has (s)he pleases.

**And finally…**

A big thank you to Pre-School for their wonderful Assembly this morning on loving the outdoors.



Cast out your nets into the deep

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 10th July | 9.10am Mission Assembly  Y6 St Francis Transition day  Y3/Y5 Mass at Holy Cross 9.30am cancelled |
| Tuesday 11th July | Reports to parents  Themed lunch picnic at the beach |
| 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 2.30pm  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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