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**Our Catholic Mission**

On Tuesday 26 September at 9.30am Fr Anthony Dykes will be in school to celebrate our first Mass of Dedication. This will be his first 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: Y1 Evie and Jacob

Y2 Tommy and Lily

Y3 Daniel C and Alyssa

Y4 Dylan and Alice

Y5 Harry T and Keira

Y6 Olivia and Rafael

Head Teacher’s Award Sofia and Maxwell

**Please note the tea party for the Star Workers will be held on Monday**

**Attendance**

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

**Family Lunch - Friday 29 September E-I WEEK 1**

**MENU CHOICE TO BE IN BY 12 NOON ON 27 SEPTEMBER 2017**

Come and enjoy a school meal with your children on Friday 29 September 2017 at 11.45am. Please pay £2.76 for your lunch on parent pay by Wednesday 27 September 2017 using your child’s school dinner account. Menu choices available are: Fish fillet, vegetarian roll, jacket potato, cheese, ham or tuna sandwich. Please speak to, or email, Mrs Burke by 12 noon on Wednesday 27 September of your menu choice.

**After school clubs**

Monday Netball Mrs Bates (Y5 and Y6).   
 Activity Leader Mr Bennett (Y5 and Y6)

Tuesday Football Paul Agnew (Y1-Y6)

Art Mrs Credali (spaces are still available)

French Mrs Burke

Basketball Mr Bennett (Y3 and Y4)

Wednesday Funky times Tables Mrs Ray

Film Makers Club

Multiskills Mr Bennett (Y1 and Y2)

Thursday Art Mrs Credali

Friday Tennis Y4, Y5 and Y6 letters have been sent out

**Aston Villa**

Aston Villa football is on Wednesday after school and Thursday lunchtime starting next week. We will let you know what days are for which groups.

**Welcome**

A very warm welcome to our new Reception class who have settled in remarkably well.. They are going to be an incredible asset to St. Joseph’s!

**ICT Suite**

We are delighted to inform you that during the summer holidays all our computers were upgraded in the ICT Suite.

**Windows**

I am sure you have all noticed how good the new windows look at the front of the school. The windows are currently being replaced at the back of the school and the hall windows will be replaced during the October half term.

**Data Collection Sheets**

The Data Collection sheets are in the process of being sent out. Please could you make sure you check all the details on the forms are correct and send any amendments to school.

**Parent Helpers**

Thank you to all who came to the Induction meeting this week. We really appreciate all your help. We could still do with more even if for one morning or afternoon a week. If you can help, plase email the office or talk to one of the Senior Leadership team at the morning gate.

**Admissions for Secondary School**

On-line applications for secondary schools has now opened. The closing date for applications is 31 October 2017. The best way to apply is online at [www.staffordshire.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/admissions)

**Instrumental Lessons**

Please note the days instrumental lessons will take place

Tuesday Violin Mrs Hayes.

Wednesday Guitar and Drums Mrs Ray

Wednesday Keyboard Mr Ray

Wednesday Brass Mr Dewhurst

Friday Woodwind Miss Sandbrook

**Y1 trip to Packington**

On Friday 29 September 2017 Y1 will be visiting Packington Farm, leaving school at 9.30am and returning at 2.30pm. If you are able to help please speak to Mrs Gibson.

**Y6 Visit to Erasmus Darwin Museum**

On Monday 18 September, Y6 will be visiting Erasmus Darwin Museum. They wil be walking from school and will return in time for lunch. If you are able to help walk the children to Erasmus Darwin Museum we would be really appreciative.

**Summer Reading Challenge**

Coul d all children who have completed their Summer Reading Challenge bring in their certificates to be presented at a celebration assembly. Please hand them in to your class teacher.

**Music lessons at St Joseph’s – September 2017**

Thank you to all those who have sent in their forms for music lessons next year. Its not too late to apply for lessons if you would like them. Please send an email to...  [lichfieldmusic@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:lichfieldmusic@yahoo.co.uk)   or text Clare Ray on  07806 933156 if you would like your child to start music lessons in September.

May God be with you.

Mrs D McLeary

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**School Dates –**

**Changes in red**

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|  | Summer term |

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| Monday 18th September | Mission Assembly 9.10 am TBC  Y6 visit to Erasmus Darwin museum |
| Wednesday 20th September | Film club starts |
| Thursday 21st September | Y5 Music share project – hall  House elections 9.15 am |
| Friday 22nd September | Y5 Celebration assembly– parents invited |
| Monday 25th September | Mission Assembly 9.10am |
| Tuesday 26th September | Mass TBC  Homework due |
| Wednesday 27th September | Y5 parents meeting – Alton Castle 5.00pm |
| Thursday 28th September | Y5 Music share project – hall |
| Friday 29th September | Year 4 Celebration Assembly– parents invited  Family Lunch E-I  Set homework |
| Monday 2nd October | TOPIC WEEK  Mission Assembly 9.10am  Year 6 and 3 Class Mass 9.30am at Holy Cross  PTFA AGM |
| Thursday 5th October | Y6 Alton Castle retreat day  Y5 Music share project - hall |
| Monday 9th October | Tempest photographer in school – individuals/siblings |
| Tuesday 10th October | Homework due  Harvest Mass in School TBC |
| Wednesday 11th October | Y5 3 day residential trip to Alton Castle |
| Friday 13th October | Year 3 Celebration Assembly– parents invited  Family lunch J- N  Y5 return from Alton Castle  Set homework (to last over half term) |
| Monday 16th October | Rec- Y4 Flu vaccinations  Mission Assembly 9:10am |
| Wednesday 18th October | House Assembly 9.10 am  Tempest photographer in school – pre school  Parents evening 4 -6.30 pm |
| Thursday 19th October | Parents evening 4.30 – 7.00 pm |
| Friday 20th October | Y2 Celebration Assembly– parents invited |
|  | **HALF TERM** |
| Monday 30th October | INSET day |
| Tuesday 31st November | Children back  Mission Assembly 9.10am  Homework due |
| Thursday 2nd November | Open day – prospective parents |
| Friday 3rd November | No assembly  PTFA Coffee morning  Bonfire Night Themed Lunch  Family lunch M-Q  Set homework |
| Monday 6th November | Mission Assembly 9.10 am  Year 5 and Year R Class Mass 9.30 am Holy Cross |
| Friday 10th November | Y1 Celebration Assembly– parents invited |
| Monday 13th November | Mission Assembly 9:10 am  Off Timetable Anti-bullying Day - Theme – ‘All different – all equal’ |
| Tuesday 14th November | Mass TBC  Homework due |
| Friday 17th November | Rec assembly – parents invited  Set homework  Family lunch R-T |
| Monday 20th November | Mission Assembly 9:10  Y6 and Y1 Class Mass Holy Cross 9:30 |
| Wednesday 22nd November | House Assemblies 9.10am |
| Friday 24th November | Advent assembly  Family lunch U-Z |
| Sunday 26th November | Advent Family Mass 11am TBC |
| Monday 27th November | Mission Assembly 9:10am  Topic Week |
| Tuesday 28th November | Mass TBC  Homework due |
| Wednesday 29th November | Y5 Level 1 Bikeability in daytime |
| Thursday 30th November | Y6 Level 2 Bikeability in daytime |
| Friday 1st December | Advent assembly  Y6 Bikeability in daytime  Set homework |
| Monday 4th December | Year 4 and 2 Class Mass Holy Cross 9:30am |
| Wednesday 6th December | Pantomime trip to the Garrick - pm |
| Monday 11th December | 9.10 am Mission Assembly |
| Tuesday 12th December | Homework due  6.30pm KS2 Carol Service at Ss P& P |
| Wednesday 13th December | Christmas Plays:  Pre- School & Reception- 9.30am  Year 1 & 2- 2.00pm |
| Friday 15th December | Party & Toy Day |
| Monday 18th December | Christmas Lunch |
| Tuesday 19th December | Whole School End of term Mass 9.30 am TBC  No homework set  Finish @ 2.30pm |
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| Wednesday 3rd January | **INSET** Day |
| Thursday 4th January | Children Return to School |

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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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