

**Newsletter**

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**Our Catholic Mission**

We pray for all our Year 6 children who made their Confirmation on Wednesday – they were well prepared, mature and reverent. We were all very proud of them. My thanks to Miss Swan who prepared them so well. Bishop David McGough celebrated the Mass and so many people have commented on what a beautiful Mass it was.

We look forward to welcoming parents, family and friends to the Thanksgiving Mass in the school on Tuesday.

**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)

**Attendance**

Congratulations to Y2 with the highest attendance this week with 99.2% congratulations.

**Star Writers**

Congratulations to our Star Writers this week:

Reception: Cohen and Sophia

Y1: Francesca and Henry

Y2: Keaton and Oscar

Y3: Lena, Harry and James

Y4: Sam B and Amelia

Y5: Charlie and Jia Kai

Y6: Isabelle G, Euan and Bronagh

Headteacher’s Award: Gracjan and Florence

**Star Workers**

Congratulations to our Star Workers this week:

Reception: Terelle, Niko and Sebastjan

Y1: Lucie and Jake

Y2: Zach and Dolly

Y3: Lowry and George

Y4: Harry and Danny

Y5: Sam and Harrison

Y6: John and Hattie

Headteacher’s Award: Daisy and Hamish

**Keele Finals**

Congratulations to Y6 girls Bronagh, Milly, Isobel S and Hannah and Y5 boys Ramon, Oisin, Noah and Harry who competed in the School Games Finals at Keele University. They had a great day with perfect weather. Congratulations to the Y5 boys team, who came 3rd overall, with particular mention to Ramon who came in 1st place. We are all very proud of you for representing St Joseph’s in the Finals.

**Music Assembly**

We look forward to welcoming parents, family and friends to our Music Assembly on Tuesday 3 July at 1.45 pm

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 **Tuesday morning**.

**Y6 St Fancis transition day**

Y6 Transition Day to St Francis is on Wednesday 4 July. The coach will pick the children up from school and drop them back to school in time for the end of the school day.

**Y5 Visit to St Francis – 10 July 2018**

As part of the St Francis of Assisi Catholic College outreach programme Y5 have been invited to a Design Technology, Art and MFL Day on 10 July 2018. Transport will be provided by SFA. Children will be required to wear school uniform and will need to bring a packed lunch and a snack for break time.

Invitation to a summer celebration

St Joseph’s Governing Board Invite, Staff, Parents and Children To join them for afternoon tea, On Thursday 12 July at 3.30pm To Celebrate, after many years of dedicated service to St Joseph’s,

the retirement of Mrs Gibson and Mrs Burke and to celebrate Miss Dawson, who was received into the church at an Easter Vigil Mass

**RSVP: by Friday 6 July to the school office by phone or email**

**01543 263505 office@st-josephs-lichfield.staffs.sch.uk**

**Reception**

A big thank you to Fr Anthony who was invited to a question and anwer session with Reception this week. The children were all very interested in asking questions and hearing about Fr Anthony’s work and day to day life.

**Y1 – Topic Week**

As part of our topic work, please can you send children in to school with their favourite toy on Monday 2nd July. This toy will stay in school for a few weeks and toys will be on display in the classroom during this period.

**Family Lunch U-Z - Friday 13 July 2018 - Week 3 (new Summer menus)**

**MENU CHOICES TO BE IN TO MRS BURKE BY NOON ON WEDNESDAY 11 July 2018**

Come and enjoy a school meal with your children on **Friday 13 July 2018** at 11.45am. Adult lunches are £2.76 to be paid on parent pay by Wednesday 11 July 2018 using your child’s school dinner account. Menu choices: are fish fingers, lentil bolognaise, jacket potato, cheese or tuna sandwich.

**New Reception Intake – September 2018**

Thank you so much to the new parents who joined us last night. It was lovely meeting you all and we look forward to your children joinng us in September. Dates for the diary:

Tuesday 3 July – 9.15am/1.15 pm Am and Pm transition sessions, parents and children are invited in to spend a couple of hours in class.

Tuesday 10 July – 2.30pm Children and parents picnic.

**Trench Brothers**

Y5 are all set for the performance at the National Memorial Arboretum on Wednesday 4th July. They will be spending the whole day there, culminating in the performance at 6pm.  This will be a (free) ticketed event and we would love to see as many supporters there as possible!

**Pre-School**

We look forward to welcoming parents to the following events:

Assembly Friday 6 July at 9.10am

Graduation Friday 13 July at 1.30pm

Please make sure that during the hot weather children wear hats, suncream and ensure their shoulders are covered.

**Summer Fayre 6 July 2018 - Donation days are as follows:**

6 July - **non-uniform day** - cakes & cookies on fayre day itself

**Please do not send in gifts, books, chocolate or cream cakes**

 that we may seek the kingdom of heaven, as preached by Peter and Paul, by seeking and doing the will of the Father.

***And Finally…***

Thank you to Reception for their beautiful assembly this morning, they were so grown up and clearly ready for Year One.

God bless

Mrs D McLeary

L**ooking Ahead…**

**School Dates –**

**Changes in red**

| Spring term | |
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| Monday 2nd July | No Assembly  Pre-school – reception transition pm |
| Tuesday 3rd July | Return homework  New reception children and parents transition am and pm  Music Assembly 1.45 pm |
| Wednesday 4th July | Y5 Trench Brothers performance- National Memorial Arboretum |
| Friday 6th July | Non Uniform Day – for Summer Fayre  Pre-school Celebration assembly  Summer Fayre 3.30pm start |
| Monday 9th July | Mission assembly 9.10 am |
| Tuesday 10th July | New reception parents picnic 2.30pm  Y5 – D&T/MFL day at St Francis |
| Wednesday 11th July | St. Joseph’s Transition morning  Open evening 5.00 pm  Y6 Performance 6.00 pm |
| Thursday 12th July | RSPB – Reception - 9.30 am  RSPB – Y1 - 1.30 pm  Pre-school – reception transition pm |
| Friday 13th July | Family Lunch U-Z  Pre-school graduation 1.30 pm |
| Monday 16th July | Mission assembly 9.10 am |
| Tuesday 17th July | Leaver’s Mass – 9.30am school hall TBC |
| Thursday 19th July | Great to be green/ attendance assembly 9.10am  Leaver’s celebration afternoon |
| Friday 20th 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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| 3.30pm | School Closes (half term) | Thursday 25 October |
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|  | ***Inset Day***  School Opens | ***Friday 26 October***  Monday 5 November |
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| 2.30pm | School Closes (Christmas) | Friday 21 December |
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| **Spring Term 2019** | |  |
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|  | ***Inset Day*** | ***Friday 25 January*** |
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| 3.30pm | School Closes (half term) | Friday 15 February |
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|  | School Opens | Monday 25 February |
| 2.30pm | School Closes (Easter) | Friday 12 April |
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| **Summer Term 2019** | |  |
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|  | School Opens | Monday 29 April |
|  | **Bank Holiday** | **Monday 6 May** |
| 3.30pm | School Closes (half term) | Friday 24 May |
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|  | School Opens  ***Inset Day*** | Monday 3 June  ***Monday 24 June*** |
| 2.30pm | School Closes (Summer)  ***Inset Day*** | Friday 19 July  ***Monday 22 July*** |
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