



Newsletter – 16th July 2021

[Please remember to view the school calendar/website for further information](#)

Our Catholic Mission

The parish newsletter and website www.romancatholiclichfield.co.uk contains information about masses and other church notices.

Pope Francis has announced that this year is a special year in honour of St Joseph. As our patron, the year of St Joseph will be in our thoughts and preparations for celebrations when restrictions are eased.

Y6 Leavers Mass

Thank you to Fr John for celebrating the Leavers Mass on Tuesday this week. We hope parents who joined us from home enjoyed along with those of you who watched the recording later.

Attendance

Congratulations to Y6, the class with the highest attendance this week of 98.5%!

Star Workers

Congratulations to our Star Workers this week!

Pre-School: Lucy & Jack

Reception: Oscar & Murilo

Y1: Sophie G & Ivy

Y2: Henry & Daniel

Y3: Oscar & Joseph S

Y4: Ella & Daniel

Y5: Matthew & Noah W

Y6: Annabella & Olivia T

Headteacher's Award: Benjamin Ho & Izzy



Star Writers

Congratulations to our Star Writers this week:

Pre-School: Oliver, Mary & Rosie T

Reception: Primrose, Seth, Maria & Mia

Y1: Harry, Scarlett, Nayan & Eibhlin

Y2: Hannah, Elizabeth, Cora & Nadia

Y3: Ben Ho, Joanna, Elsie & Rory

Y4: Aoife, Lottie, Ria, Isabella & Heber

Y5: Will be awarded next week

Y6: Daniel, Gram, Adin, Erin & Sam



End of Year Reports

Please check your child's bag for their End of Year report as these have been sent home today. Year 5's reports have been emailed to your child's school Google Mail account.

Thank you

All staff would like to say a big thank you for all their wonderful gifts, we are very grateful for the show of appreciation.

Y6 Parents

If your family are leaving St Joseph's at the end of this term and you have any uniform you wish to donate, the PTFA would be extremely grateful!

Snacks

There will be no snacks available on Monday, 20th July and Tuesday, 21st July.

Strong Carrier/Plastic Bags – Monday, 19th July

Please can your child bring in a strong carrier/plastic bag on Monday, 19th July to bring their books home in! Thank you.

Last day of term – Tuesday, 20th July

Please note the earlier collection times on the last day of term:

Y5	2 pm
Y1/Y2	2.10 pm
YR/Y3	2.20 pm
YP/Y4/Y6	2.30 pm

Summer Reading Challenge 2021

Has your child signed up for the Summer Reading Challenge yet? We really want to bring the trophy back to St Joseph's this year. Further details can be found on- <https://youtu.be/FFQwEDCP5ig>.

Staffing Change

We are delighted to inform you that we have appointed a fantastic new full-time teacher for Year 3 in September. Miss Wells will be spending time with Year 2 on Monday and Tuesday next week to get to know them in preparation for the new academic year. Mrs Thomas will be teaching in Year 5 for two days and both Miss Briers and Mrs Thomas will be team teaching throughout the school in order to boost learning.

Term Dates 2021/22

Next year's term dates have been emailed to you and are available on the school website.

Water bottles

Please remember to send your child to school with a named water bottle filled with water only (no juice).

Pre-School

Please can children come to school with a named sun hat and sun cream already applied. Also, please can parents ensure that all children have at least one change of named clothes. Thank you.

- We are recapping the 'satpin' sounds.
- If you have any old hats, fascinators, unwheeled suitcases, old notebooks and envelopes you would like to donate, we would be very grateful.

Hair

A polite reminder of our policy on hair as stated in our Uniform Policy:

Long hair should be tied up, with plain ribbons, bobbles. No large colourful hair adornments. No extreme haircuts ie, shaved head, tramlines, colour.

School Dinner Menu

The menu will be changing for the new academic year in September. Details will be on ParentPay in due course. Remember you can book your child's lunch/snack before 8 am on the day required.



Twitter (@StJoesLichfield) School staff put a lot of effort into taking photos of exciting activities happening in school to post on

Twitter. This is the place where you will get to see first-hand what your child is doing at school. Please check Twitter regularly and PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE like our posts!

Music Lessons 2021/22

Please see the school website for details on music lessons next year. Places are filling up fast!

Thank You

Dear Governors and Parents, it has been an absolute pleasure to work with the children of St Joseph's. I have especially enjoyed working with the children in Reception and Y3, they have been a pure joy to work with. I wish all the children, parents and staff a lovely long and lazy summer. Best wishes for the future, Mrs Haynes

Vaccines

The Local Authority has requested that we inform parents that over 18s are now eligible for vaccination and should be encouraged to book an appointment or attend a walk-in clinic. Also, the length of time between vaccinations has been reduced from 12 weeks to 8 weeks.

PTFA

The PTFA have a collection of great pre-loved uniform, including lots of St Joseph's branded items, which we will have available for you to purchase for a small donation at the school gate. We will let you know future uniform sale dates in due course.

If you would like to know more about the PTFA and being a part of the committee, please see the school website (<http://stjosephscatholicprimary.sites.schooljotter2.com/our-school/ptfa>) or don't hesitate to give the Chair, Mary, a call or speak to your class rep (names are on the school website).

Easyfundraising

Remember to help collect the easyfundraising donations!

Using easyfundraising could not be easier.

Simply search for your retailer on the easyfundraising App or website and shop as normal.

Our school will then get a little "Thank you" donation from the retailer at no additional cost to you.

Visit and support our easyfundraising page here:

<http://efraising.org/S1YFkOg0j>

And Finally

What a fantastic time Y6 have had at Whitemoor Lakes and the sun has shone for them. They have been a credit to the school and demonstrated fantastic team work!

May God be with you

Mrs McLeary

Headteacher

