



Newsletter – 10th June 2022

[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.

Unfortunately, Mass on Tuesday, 14th June has been cancelled as Fr Anthony has other commitments.

Confirmation

We are very honoured that Archbishop Bernard Longley will be confirming our Y6 children on Thursday, 16th June 2022 at 7 pm at Ss Peter & Paul's Church. Please keep the Confirmandi in your prayers.

The Mass of Thanksgiving for Confirmation will be held at 10 am on **Tuesday, 21st June 2022** at Holy Cross Church.

Attendance

Congratulations to Y6, the class with the highest attendance this week of 100%!

Polite Notice

We politely request that you are considerate when parking and manoeuvring vehicles on Cherry Orchard and Oakhurst. Please ensure you do not block residents' driveways.

Class Vista Photos

The recent Class Vista photographs are now ready to view and purchase at

<https://htmp.st/StJosephsCatholicPriSc-22>

There is a free "deliver to school" option open until Friday, 24th June 2022, otherwise home delivery is available for £5 postage and packing. If you need assistance please call Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 5).

Family Lunch – Wednesday, 22nd June - Surnames 'O-R'

Booking deadline: Friday, 17th June

Come and enjoy a school meal with your children on Wednesday, 22nd June at 11.45 am. Please ensure ParentPay payment item 'Family Lunch' is in credit by £2.90 for each ordered meal. Please email your choice to lunches@st-josephs-lichfield.staffs.sch.uk. Unfortunately, we will be unable to take bookings after the deadline. Payment will be taken for all ordered meals on the Family Lunch day

[Whilst we enjoy having you in for Family Lunch, please be aware that taking photos is not permitted as you will not be aware of other parents photo preferences for their child who could inadvertently be in the photo. Thank you for your co-operation.](#)

Rearranged Family Lunch - Surnames 'L-N'

This Family Lunch will now take place on Wednesday, 6th July 2022

Goodbye & Welcome

We welcome Tyler, Tommy and their family to St Joseph's. We are sorry to say goodbye to Mrs Humpage and thank her for her service as a Lunchtime Supervisor. We would also like to welcome Mrs Fitzgerald and Miss Howell, who have recently started with us as Lunchtime Supervisors.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee – 15th June

Please join us from 1.30 pm on Wednesday, 15th June 2022 to celebrate St Joseph's Queen's Platinum Jubilee! Please bring your picnic chairs and flags and join us in wearing red, white and blue.

AM	Jubilee activities in class and on the field
Lunchtime	Street party on the playground
1.30 pm	Official Library opening by Sam Langley-Swain, author of 'Don't Look in This Book!'
2.15 pm	Jubilee concert on the playground

[Please note there will be no PE lessons taking place on 15th June due to the Jubilee celebrations.](#)

Request

If anyone has any garden games, eg Connect 4, Jenga, space hoppers etc and would be happy to loan these to school for the day, please let us know.

One Life Music Retreat

We are delighted that Dan and Emily will be back with us to lead a day of collective worship on Thursday, 23rd June as the children really enjoyed the last one. Watch this space for further details as parents are usually invited in to experience part of the retreat.

Music Assembly – 24th June

This has always been a momentous occasion in the St Joseph's calendar and we are delighted that we are once again able to invite you to our Music Assembly. This will take place at 1.30 pm in the school hall and I would like to thank Mrs Ray and all our other music teachers for their ongoing dedication to teaching music to our children.

Big Battery Hunt – [extension to competition deadline](#)

St Joseph's are taking part in the Big Battery Hunt this year. Children in Y4-Y6 have been given a box to collect any old batteries for the chance to win £4,000 of outdoor playground equipment. Please write their name and how many batteries you have collected. Bring the filled box in to your class teachers to be recycled by the [new closing of 24th June](#). Thank you.

Inset Day

A reminder that school is closed to pupils on Monday, 27th June for an Inset Day.

Pre-School

- On sunny days, please ensure that children come to Pre-School with sun cream already applied.
- Please ensure you pack at least one change of clothes for your child.
- Pre-School are now taking applications for September 2022, but places are filling fast. If you know of anyone who may be interested, please ask them to email pre-school@stjosephslichfield.org.uk.

Parent communications to school

In order to ensure that your communications to school are dealt with as efficiently as possible, can we please request that you use the following systems when communicating with us:

- Absences – please use the absence form on the school website to report your child absent from school
- Leave of Absence requests – please email a completed form to office@st-josephs-lichfield.staffs.sch.uk clearly marked Leave of Absence Request.
- To ensure you receive messages, it is important that you download the school app (School Jotter) to your smartphone/tablet and create your login. If you have not yet set up your login you can do so by following the instructions on the school website [here](#).

After School Clubs

Clubs on offer this half-term will be:

Monday	Y4-Y6	Dance Club
Tuesday	Y3-Y6	Multi –Sports
	Y1-Y6	Football (with Paul Agnew)
Wednesday	Y1-Y2	Multi –Sports
Thursday	Y3-Y6	Cricket
	Y1-Y2	Art Club (spaces available)

Please see the [school website](#) for more details about these After School Clubs [Parents/Extra Curricular and Wraparound Care].

Platinum Jubilee Story-Trail in Lichfield

As part of local plans to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, Visit Lichfield are running a free story-trail from 30th April to 12th June. Please visit the [website](#) for more details.

Lichfield Festival

Does your child enjoy writing and would like to apply to be a Lichfield Festival Young Critic? For more details, please visit the [Lichfield Festival website](#). Applications close 15th June.

Registration for Entrance Test

Registration is now open for parents of current Y5 pupils who would like their child to sit the entrance test for The Grammar Schools in Birmingham, for entry to Y7 in September 2023. Registration can be made [online](#). The closing date for registering is 4 pm on 30th June 2022. The test will take place on 17th September 2022.

PTFA

Find us on the school website (<http://stjosephscatholicprimary.sites.schooljotter2.com/our-school/ptfa>) or don't hesitate to give the Chairs, Emma or Christina, a call or speak to your class rep (names are on the school website) or Facebook "St Joseph's School Lichfield PTFA".

Dates for your diary:

17 th June	Father's Day Craft Market
24 th June	Summer Fayre Non-Uniform day (bottle donations)
1 st July	Summer Fayre Non-Uniform day (cake donations)
1 st July	Summer Fayre
8 th July	Pre-Loved uniform sale

And Finally

We welcome our weary Year 6 children back from Kibblestone. They have had a fantastic time and were a credit to St. Joseph's. Parents have been able to keep up with all their activities through the many tweets of photographs sent by the staff. I would like, on your behalf to say a big thank you to all the staff who accompanied them. Without their commitment and dedication the trip would not have been possible. Thanks to all involved including children, parents and staff.

May God be with you

Mrs McLeary
Headteacher

