



Newsletter – 17th 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.

Confirmation

We pray for all of our Y6 children who made their Confirmation yesterday; they were very well prepared, mature and reverent. We are very proud of them.

The Mass of Thanksgiving for Confirmation for our Y6 children will be held at 10 am on **Tuesday, 21st June 2022** at Holy Cross Church.

Star Workers

Congratulations to our Star Workers this week!

Pre-School: Darcey & Jack

Reception: Mary, Orla & Joseph

Y1: Eve & Spike

Y2: Anna & Nayan

Y3: Isla & Conor

Y4: Theo & Lily

Y5: Max & Evie

Y6: Oliver & Bree

Headteacher's Award: Denyque & Noah



Attendance

Congratulations to Y4, the class with the highest attendance this week of 97.3%!

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

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 (#5)

Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration

Both children and staff enjoyed a fabulous day on Wednesday celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. They enjoyed activities on the field as well as inflatables followed by the grand opening of our new library by author, Sam Langley-Swain with the day culminating in a wonderful outdoor concert! Thanks to our PTFA for providing the inflatables, our parent helpers for their time and all the staff for the preparation and hard work.

One Life Music Retreat – 23rd June

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.

[Please note there will be no PE lessons taking place on 23rd June due to the music 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 – 24th June competition closing 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 – 27th June

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

Family Lunch – Wednesday, 29th June - Surnames 'S'

Booking deadline: Friday, 24th June

Come and enjoy a school meal with your children on Wednesday, 29th 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 – Wednesday, 6th July 2022 - Surnames 'L-N'

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

Reception Ash End Farm trip – 15th July

A letter was emailed to you earlier this week about Reception's trip to Ash End Farm on Friday, 15th July.

Pre-School

- On sunny days, please ensure that children come to Pre-School with a named sun hat and sun cream already applied.
- Please ensure you pack at least one change of clothes for your child.
- Any donations of wooden building bricks/blocks and a doll's pushchair would be appreciated.
- 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.

Earrings

A reminder that children must remove earrings before PE lessons. If they are unable to remove them, they will have to miss their PE lesson. Teachers will not be able to remove earrings and earrings cannot be covered with plasters. Thank you for your co-operation.

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:

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| 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].

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:

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| 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

Thank you to Year 3 for their wonderful assembly this morning all about the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We enjoyed their wonderful and enthusiastic singing

May God be with you

Mrs McLeary
Headteacher

