



Newsletter – 15th July 2022

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Our Catholic Mission

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

The Leaver's Mass will now be celebrated by Fr Craig Davies at the slightly later time of 10.30 am on Tuesday, 19th July 2022. We look forward to welcoming family and friends to this very special event. All other families are welcome too as this is our end of term Mass.

Y6 Leavers

It is hard to believe that we will be saying goodbye to a number of families next Wednesday as their child leaves Y6 to embark on a new adventure at secondary school. Thank you to all for your support over the many years your family has been here at St Joseph's.

Y6 parents are invited to the Leavers Assembly on Wednesday, 20th July at 9.15 am in the school hall. Make sure you bring your tissues!

Please accept my apologies in advance as I will be unable to attend the Leavers Assembly as I will not be in school on the last day. I will be a proud mum on that day attending my son's graduation!

Attendance

Congratulations to YR and Y1, the classes with the highest attendance this week of 97.3%

Predicted Heatwave – 18th-19th July

As I am sure that you are aware, it is going to be extremely hot on Monday and Tuesday next week. The Department of Education (DfE), have released the following guidance:

The Department of Health and Social Care recommends children should not take part in vigorous physical activity on very hot days. Children should wear loose clothing to help keep cool and sunhats with wide brims and should stay in the shade as much as possible. Sunscreen should be used to protect skin and children should be provided with plenty of water."

They have also said that they are not advising schools to close.

Children do not need to wear school uniform. We suggest that they come to school wearing the lightest clothing possible! Please remember to apply sun cream before school, and for children to bring a hat and water bottle. We will not be doing any PE lessons next week and will be making sensible decisions about how long the children will be outside at break and lunchtimes.

We have been on a shopping spree today to ensure we have plenty of air coolers and the Y5/Y6 classrooms will have air conditioning. Class teachers will ensure that their classrooms are as cool as possible.

Carrier Bags

Please can children bring in a carrier bag on Monday, 18th July to bring home artwork, books etc.

Tracking Books

If your child's books were kept last year for tracking purposes, these will be coming home with your child today.

If your child does not come home with a set of school books on Monday, these are being kept for tracking purposes for the academic year 2022-23 and you will receive these back in July 2023.

Individual Support Plan (ISP)

If your child has an ISP please could you sign, add your comments and return to class teachers on Monday, 18th July 2022.

Rainbows 'Celebrate Me' Day – 18th July

If your child currently attends Rainbows, an invite has recently been emailed to you. Please let the office know if you or members of your family are able/not able to attend.

Y6 Celebration Afternoon – 19th July

If you are able to help out at the Y6 Celebration Afternoon (1.30 pm onwards), please let the office know.

End of Term - Wednesday, 20th July

Don't forget that we break up for the summer holidays at **2.30 pm** on Wednesday, 20th July!

Reading & Library Books

Please ensure any outstanding school reading and library books are returned to school by Monday, 18th 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.

Summer Reading Challenge – 'Gadgeteers'

Earlier this week, we had a visit from Lichfield Library to launch the [Summer Reading Challenge](#). Please take your children down to the Library and sign up. They just have to read 6 books between now and return to school in September. We need to keep that trophy at St. Joseph's!

Lost property

Please take a moment to look through the vast array of lost property! Any items left at the end of term will be either donated to the pre-loved uniform sale or given to charity.

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".

And Finally

Thank you to Y5/Y6 children who performed in the End of Year production on Monday. We received lots of positive comments on the children's acting and singing, the performance was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Thank you to all involved in putting 'Olivia' together.

May God be with you

Mrs McLeary

Headteacher

