



# St Joseph's Catholic School Newsletter No. 22

## Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023



### Dates for Diary

W/B 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Phonics screening check starts
11 <sup>th</sup> June 12:30pm	Year 3J First Holy Communion Church
WB 12 <sup>th</sup> June	RHSE week
WB 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Y1 Phonics Check
13 <sup>th</sup> June 2:40pm	5W Class Assembly
14 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Residential trip
16 <sup>th</sup> June	FY Eye tests in school
18 <sup>th</sup> June 12.30pm	Year 3G First Holy Communion at Church
19 <sup>th</sup> June	Child Safety Week Starts
20 <sup>th</sup> June	4R First Swimming Session
20 <sup>th</sup> June 2.40pm	5R Class Assembly
21 <sup>st</sup> June	Year 3 Stone Age Workshop
23 <sup>rd</sup> June 9am	Year 3 FHC Thanksgiving Mass
26 <sup>th</sup> June 9-11am	FY Induction morning for Sep 2023 starters
28 <sup>th</sup> June 9-11am	FY Induction morning for Sep 2023 starters
3rd July 2:40pm	FYST Class Assembly
5 <sup>th</sup> July	Transition Day
6 <sup>th</sup> July	MAC INSET Day- School closed
10 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 trip to Wolseley Centre
12 <sup>th</sup> July 2:40pm	FYBL Class Assembly
14 <sup>th</sup> July	Bikeability Yr6 rescheduled
14 <sup>th</sup> July 3:30pm	Summer Fayre
21 <sup>st</sup> July	Sports day KS1 AM & KS2 PM
25 <sup>th</sup> July 9am	Year 6 Leavers' Mass
25 <sup>th</sup> July 2:30pm	Year 6 Leaver's Assembly
25 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of Academic Year

### Welcome to Our Weekly Newsletter

We hope that you all had a wonderful half term break. The children have made a great start to the new half term.

#### Year Group News

##### Foundation

This week Father Michael visited FY to talk about some of the special things he does as part of his role as a Priest.

##### Year 1

Just a reminder that Year 1 will be having their Phonics screening check next week. We are really proud of the efforts the children have made in preparation for this. Thank you for all your support at home.

##### Year 2

Year 2 had a fantastic time yesterday in their workshop on the Great Fire of London. Please see our twitter account for all the photos.

##### Year 3

Year 3 have been using drama to explore the feelings of Jesus' followers during the events of Pentecost.

##### Year 4

Well done to Year 4 who have been doing completing their Multiplication Timestable Check tests. We are all really proud of you!

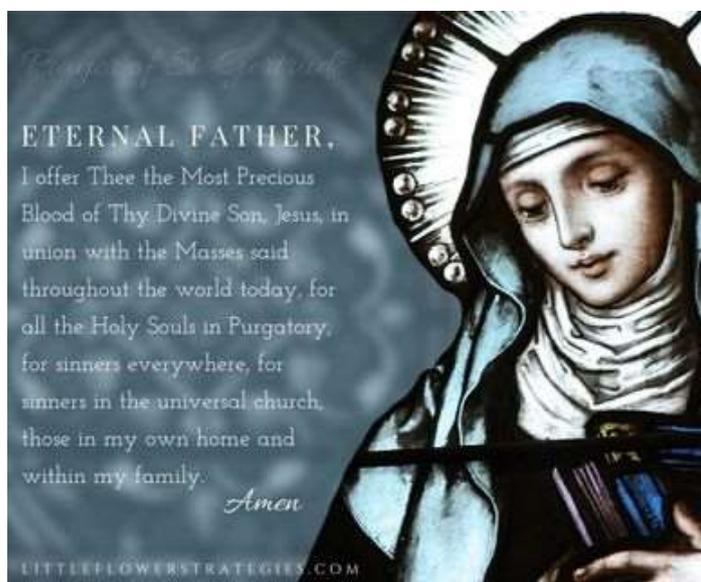
##### Year 5

Year 5 have been performing their brilliant percussion music to the Year 4 classes. Well done to all the children for their hardwork in preparing for this.

##### Year 6

Year 6 have been using data on rainfall and climates to plot combined graphs.

Good luck to Year 6 who are embarking on their Residential next week – fingers crossed for good weather.



### **Note for Parents on Social Networking Sites**

As we all know, social networking sites such as 'Facebook' and 'Whatsapp' are widely used and enjoyed by the majority of parents and older children. However, sometimes these sites are used to publicly discuss matters which may include personal disagreements between pupils at the School or for parents to vent frustration about school matters.

You may not be aware that comments made on Social Networking Sites about individuals can be considered to be 'defamatory' and lead to the onset of legal action being taken against those who made them, therefore I feel it is important to remind users of Social Networking Sites to bear this in mind before posting comments. Social Networking Sites are not as 'private' as we might like to think and careless or inconsiderate use of these sites can cause unnecessary distress to the individual concerned, or have an adverse impact on the School in general, or both and this is something the School seeks to avoid.

The school works hard to create a safe and happy environment for its staff and pupils and should any parent have concerns about either their child, or the School in general, I would urge them to contact the School.

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter

PTA Meeting

**Our next PTA meeting will be in school on 15<sup>th</sup> June at 3:30pm to discuss preparations for the Summer Fayre.**

### **Prayer Garden Opening Service**

Today, Father Michael and Deacon Daniel opened our St Joseph's Prayer Garden to commemorate 150 Years of St Joseph' school (*in existance on the church site before being here on Little Sutton Lane*). We would like to thank both of them for their time in helping us to celebrate this event. We would also like to thank the children for taking part in the service especially our Mission Team who have helped with some of the planting and design of the garden.

### **Outdoor canopy Installation**

We are really pleased with the new canopy that has been installed on the Foundation playground. The children in Foundation Year can continue to go outside in all weathers and stay dry. Thank you to The Sutton Coldfield Charities Trust for supporting the funding for this project.

### **Car Parking on Bromwich Drive**

We are sad to have to mention the parking on Bromwich Drive yet again. As a school community, positive relationships with our neighbours are essential. This is currently being compromised by a small number of parents who are still refusing to park appropriately. Most recently, we have had an incident where a parent has parked on the driveway of one of our neighbours, this is simply unacceptable and must stop immediately. I have asked other parents and residents to take photographic evidence and pass it directly to the police.

### **Year 3J Fisrt Holy Communion**

Please pray for all the children in Y3J who will be taking part in their First Holy Communion and their families, as they embark on the next stage in their jouney of faith, this Sunday.

Yours sincerely,

Mr O'Hara  
Principal

Mrs Chambers  
Vice Principal

Mr Lynch  
Assistant Principal