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## Newsletter No.01

**Friday 10th September 2021**

Dear Parents,

Welcome to our first fortnightly Newsletter for this academic year. We would like to give a special warm welcome to the parents of children that have recently joined us. We have been very impressed with the start that all the children have made after the summer break and thank all the parents for helping them to prepare for the new academic year.

### **Year 6 Mass at Holy Trinity**

Well done to Year 6 for leading a wonderful mass at Holy Trinity. The rest of the school also enjoyed watching the mass from the church's live stream. A huge thank you to the parents that volunteered to help walk the children up to church and also to Miss Harris for helping to organise the children who took part in the readings.

### **Medication**

If you have not already done so, please ensure that your child's medication is in school and that a medical form has been completed for this academic year. Medical forms are available via the school office and can be emailed out to you if needed.

### **Walk to School initiative**

Last year we launched our WOW travel scheme where children are encouraged to walk to school or to ask parents to park a 5-minute walk away. This had a big impact on reducing the amount of cars parked outside the school gates as well as improving the fitness of the children. This year we will be continuing with the scheme where children who consistently travel to school in an active way gain a badge to show their achievement.

### **End of School day arrangements**

Many thanks to all parents who have continued to stay behind the blue line on the playground, this has really helped staff to see more clearly who the children need to go to. Please remember that children should not play on the Adventure Trail or climb on the wall if their parent is not with them supervising.

### **Inset Days for this academic year**

The dates below are planned for this academic year.

- Friday 22nd October 2021
- Monday 1st November 2021
- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022
- Friday 1st July 2022

### **Parking Issues**

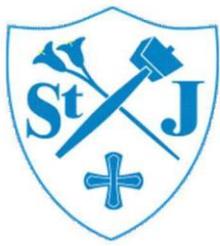
We have had reports of inconsiderate parking from some parents during pick up and drop off times. Please ensure your vehicle is not blocking a drive or in a 'no loading' area at the stipulated times.

### **Outreach to those with special needs**

St Joseph's are supporting the local deanery in their initiative to support those with special needs feel more included in our church. Please see the poster at the end of this newsletter for more details.

### **Spaghetti Maths Club**

Many thanks to those of you that have already expressed an interest in coming to the new maths club run by Spaghetti Maths. The club will take place on Tuesday's between 3:20pm and 4:20pm every Tuesday starting next week with the last session taking place on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October. Places are available for children in years 1 to 6.



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## **Crossing Warden Advert**

Please see the advert attached at the end of this newsletter.

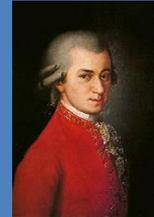
### **Cultural Capital for September**

**Musician of the Month – Mozart**

**Artist of the Month – Van Gogh**

**Word of the Month – Inquisitive**

**Inspirational Person of the Month – JK Rowling**



***This Sunday is the 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary time.***

***This week we celebrated the birthday of the Virgin Mary who we offer our prayer to.***

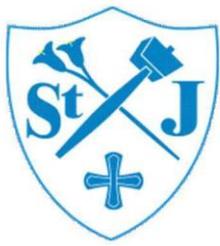


All praise and glory are Yours, almighty Father:  
You have given us Your Son Jesus to save us from sin.  
We praise You for choosing Mary to be His mother,  
for teaching her to believe Your message,  
for helping her to accept Your holy will.

Strengthen us by Your Spirit to be like Mary:  
to ponder Your word in our hearts,  
to obey Your will,  
to love Your Son,  
to sing Your praises every day.

Father, we praise You through Jesus Christ Your Son in the love of Your Spirit, for ever and ever.

Amen.



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Yours sincerely,

G M O'Hara  
Executive Principal

Mrs N Hill  
Acting Head of School

Mr J P Lynch  
Acting Assistant Principal

Dates for your diary September & October 2021

Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	2:40pm	Year 6H Class assembly
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> October	Tbc	Foundation Phonics Workshop
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> October	10am	Harvest mass, whole school at Holy Trinity Church
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> October	2:40pm	Year 6L Class assembly
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	All day	Year 6 trip to Alton Castle
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	All day	School closed due to staff INSET

Previous newsletters and other information can be found on our School website: [www.stjosutton.net](http://www.stjosutton.net)



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## **People with special needs and learning disabilities can be invisible to the Church**



Sometimes this is because our parishes are not very good at offering welcome, even though the Church is a community where all should be sure of finding welcome, care and respect.

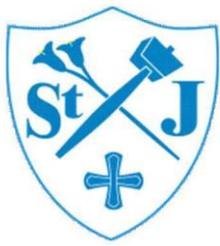
For us to learn how to better welcome everyone, a meeting is planned for Saturday 16th October at 3pm at St Nicholas Church, 243 Jockey Road, Boldmere, B73 5US.

It is for people with special needs - of any age.  
Their families are welcome too - should they wish to come.

It is a chance to meet and listen and learn from people with special needs (and their families). We can also pray with and for each other - and enjoy one another's company over tea and cake!

For more information please email [stnicholas.boldmere@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:stnicholas.boldmere@rcaob.org.uk)

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## School Crossing Patrol Warden needed

**Pro Rata** £18,562 - £20,493 (*Part time £9.75 per hour*)

*8hrs per week – St Joseph's RC Primary- Tamworth Road*

You will assist at places where children/adults cross roads on their way to and from school (or on their way from one part of a school to another) during the prescribed hours, ensuring their safe passage, and will also be responsible for reporting any problems encountered to supervisors.

- You will need to be caring, reliable and must have good verbal communication skills to enable you to communicate effectively with a range of people in differing situations.
- You will need to be available term time mornings and afternoons during the school run.
- All leave must be taken in school holidays.
- Successful applicants will be provided with a uniform and training.
- A Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check will be undertaken.

**Application Forms can be completed online:** <https://www.wmjobs.co.uk/job/68417/school-crossings-patrol-warden/>

Vacancies can be found on 'View all Birmingham City Council Vacancies on WM Jobs Website'.

**Any Questions Call School Crossings on 0121 303 7777**

or email: [schoolcrossings@birmingham.gov.uk](mailto:schoolcrossings@birmingham.gov.uk)