



St Joseph's

Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Holy Week

Well done to Year 5 (this morning) for completing our Holy Week prayer journey following the footsteps of Jesus through the stations of the cross as we witnessed Jesus' love and compassion for us even as He was been put to death on the cross.

We have now entered into the solemn Triduum (a word meaning three days) including Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the great Easter Vigil, which is held on Saturday night. Father Michael has asked me to ask you where possible to try to bring the children to at least one of the services over the next few days.

As a Catholic School with 247 catholic children it is our duty to ensure that St Joseph's continues to remain the wonderful Catholic institution that it is for our grandchildren when they are applying for places!

Well done to all the children and staff for completing our journey through Lent in such a holy and reverent way.

Lenten Charities- Thank you to all who have sent in their Lenten Charitable donations so far, we will let you know how much your efforts have raised when we donations have been handed in next term.

The Year 3 children received God's Grace through the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** for the first time last Friday. They were a credit to the school, families and themselves. We were very proud of you!

Year 6 Residential -Thank you to Mrs Podraza, Mrs Halliday and Miss Harris for taking the children on a wonderful residential. Well done children you were wonderfully mannered and behaved, we hope you have all recovered from the obstacle courses through mud, underground mazes, Bmxing, abseiling, rock climbing..... Well done all.

Easter Egg Hunt- Thank you to the PTA for organising and running the Hunt for the children. We and the PTA hope they enjoyed it and the ice cream! A great way to end the term

After School Clubs run by the School Apr – Jun 3.20pm-4.20pm

The after school clubs for next half run by the Mr Ballentine are;

Wednesdays – Multiskills – Y3 & Y4

Fridays – Football – Y5 & Y6

Notifications will be sent out on Tuesday 12th April, for those children who have gained a place.

Monday- Netball- Y5 and Y6 ready for September's fixtures will commence on May 16th letter to follow

After School Clubs – externally run – Apr - Jun

Afterschool clubs not run by the school are;

Mondays - Tennis - Yrs 3 & 4

Tuesdays – Zumba – Key Stage 1 only

Thursdays – Aston Villa – Key Stage 2 – 18 places only for next half term.

All the leaflet/flyers have gone out during this week. All forms and payments for these clubs are to be handed in directly to club leaders on the first session. Any enquiries for these clubs are also to be directed through the Club leaders and not the main office. Thank you



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Cross Country - Well done to Miss Gavin and Mr Ballintine and the Cross Country team for your performance this season. Although ½ the squad, Y6, missed one of the events due to their residential, out of 20 schools the St Joseph's boys team finished in 6th position and the girls team finished runners up! The team finished as an overall combined 3rd. **A fabulous achievement!!**

Summer Weather

When we return with the better weather we will be allowing the children to use the fields more at lunch and playtimes. If your child suffers from severe Hay fever and is feeling the effects of the pollen etc... please ensure that you give them the appropriate medicine before coming to school.

School Uniform

May I remind you that after the Easter break the children should be wearing our summer uniform as described below and in the prospectus on our website:

Boys Summer uniform

Pale blue polo-shirt
Grey trousers or shorts

Girls Summer uniform

Blue/white dress
Sensible Black shoes

New Uniform Provider- The School are moving to a New Uniform provider- this decision was received well by all parents and governors who came and viewed it earlier this week. The new provider 'Mapac' has a huge range of school items, good quality and at very good prices. Mapac are creating our own school specific website page that will be available on our School Website soon. More details will be sent out in a separate letter when the launch is ready.

Dinner Money- Please send in dinner monies on Tuesday 12th April.

City serve have increased the price of school meals by 5p.

So as of the 1st April 2016, School meals will cost £2.15 per day.

£10.75 per week or £79.55 for the half term.

Two weeks notice of any changes to lunch time arrangements, have to be in writing to the main office, to ensure you do not incur any dinner money fees.

Music Fees -Music fees are £6.00 per lesson and a separate letter will be sent the first week back after the Easter break.

The staff and I wish you all a happy, peaceful and joyful Easter and thank you for your support this term.



Yours sincerely,

G.M. O'Hara

Principal



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Please note the following diary events

Dates for diary - Apr 2016		
Mon 11 th Apr School closed Staff Inset day		
Tue 12 th Apr School re opens for the children at 8.45am		
Fri 15 th	9.00am	Congratulations Assembly
Tues 19 th	10.00am	Year 3 walk to Holy Trinity for Mass
Wed 20 th	9.00am	Coffee morning for parents to discuss re launch of 'Walking Bus'
Thurs 21 st	3.30pm	Year 3 Parents Eucharist meeting with Fr Michael
Fri 22 nd	9.00am	Congratulations Assembly
Tues 26 th	10.00am	Year 2 walk to Holy Trinity for Mass
Fri 29 th	9.00am	Year 4 Class led Assembly
Tues 3 rd May	10.00am	Year 4 walk to Holy Trinity for Mass
Fri 6 th	All day	Year 4 Class trip to Selly Manor
Fri 6 th	9.00am	Mass led by FY children
Mon 9 th - Fri 13 th	Am	Year 6 SATS Week in the Hall
Tues 10 th	10.00am	Year 5 walk to Holy Trinity for Mass
Tues 10 th	7pm	PTA meeting
Fri 13 th	All day	FY classes trip to Ash End Farm
Fri 13 th		NO ASSEMBLY
Tues 17 th	10.00am	Year 6 walk to Holy Trinity for Mass
Fri 20 th	9.00am	Congratulations Assembly
Tues 24 th	10.00am	Year 2 walk to Holy Trinity for Mass
Wed 25 th	All day	Class year group Photographs
Fri 27 th May	9.00am	Year 5 Class led Assembly
Dates for diary - May 2016		
Mon 2 nd May - May Bank Holiday		
30 th May - 3 rd June Half Term		
Dates to be aware of June and July:		
Thurs 30 th June	All day	Year 6 to Year 7 transition day
Fri 1 st July	9.00am	Year 3 Mass of Thanksgiving for their First Holy Communion
Tues 12 th July	1pm	Sports Day
Wed 20 th July	7pm	Year 6 Production

School Term dates available on the website

Previous newsletters and other information can be located on our School website: www.stjosutton.net



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