



29th March 2019

Newsletter No.15

Dear Parents,

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Well done to Y3 who received their Sacrament of Penance for the first time on Friday. It was a reverent occasion and Y3's behaviour was wonderful. Thank you to Fr Michael and the three priests who accompanied him and to everyone who has helped to prepare the children.

Congratulations Assembly

Congratulations this week go to FYR for winning the Tidiness Award, Y1G for fantastic lining up, Y3T for super lunchtime behaviour and Y4L for excellent attendance! Congratulations also go to all of the children who have taken part in the many after school competitions and events over the past few weeks - swimming, football, netball and chess! Thank you to the staff for helping prepare and supervising the children.

Lent

Well done to all of the classes who have completed their Lenten sponsored fundraiser so far this half term. There are more events coming up over the next couple of weeks. Please remember to collate the sponsor money and send it in to school as soon as possible. Many thanks for your support with this.

The cake sale we held just before Lent was a huge success and raised a fantastic £298. Well done to everyone who supported this event.

The Charities that we are supporting this year are:

- Father Hudson's Society- requested by Archbishop Bernard
- Cafod

Ask the children about these Charities, and how we have helped them previously.

Goodbye

On Friday we said a fond farewell to Ms Coeulle in the office who has started her new role as a Bursar at Gunter Primary School – good luck and keep in touch! Today we also say goodbye to Mr Lloyd, who has worked as a teaching assistant in Y3 since September – we wish him good luck in his future role. Next week, we welcome back Mrs Holmes who has been on maternity leave.

PTA

Thank you to the PTA for organising and running the Easter Egg Hunt for the children again this year. Last year was a great success and this year promises to be even better. Please remember to pay your pound via Parent Pay. This should be a wonderful end to the term! The PTA have also organised a KS1 and KS2 movie night next week. If you would like your child to attend either of these, please pay the admission fee via Parent Pay.

Applications for School Clothing Grant

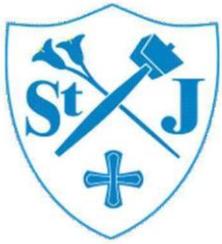
The office have copies of application forms for school uniform / clothing grants from the Sutton Coldfield Charitable Trust. The form outlines the criteria needed to meet the threshold in order to receive the grant. Please see the school office if you would like a copy of the application form.

Parents' Evening

Thank you to all of the parents who attended our parents' consultation evening on Tuesday. We hope you found it to be an informative evening and the Mid Term Report Cards useful in helping your children.

Jewellery and school Uniform

Please can I remind all parents that **Earrings and Jewellery are not allowed in school.** We always ask that parents wishing to have their child's ears pierced do so at the start of the 6 weeks holidays, so that the healing process has completed ready



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for September. If your child is wearing earrings in school - please can this cease.

School Uniform- we have a winter and summer uniform as outlined in our prospectus. One is for during the warmer months, usually Easter to October, the other to keep them warm from November to April. Please have a look on our website if you are unsure.

Summer uniform

Pale blue polo-shirt

Blue/white dress

Grey trousers or shorts

Sensible Black shoes

E-Safety Workshop for Parents

O2 and the NSPCC have joined forces on a mission to help all children and their families in the UK stay safe online. Together, they're offering useful tools, support and guidance to help parents and carers have conversations with their children about their online lives.

As part of this, NSPCC and O2 are running online safety workshops for parents and will be hosting one here at school on Monday 20th May from 9am until 10am.

We would like to invite all parents to join the hour workshop. Please reply to the letter sent out separately today if you are able to attend.

Lost Property

Our lost property boxes are currently overflowing! As a result, we have arranged to have a lost property stall in the playground after school on Thursday 11th April. Any items not claimed will be donated to charity. We have also been thinking of ways to manage the amount of lost property we find in school. We have decided that we will complete regular uniform spot check inspections and if items are not labelled, staff will label the items with the child's name in marker pen. We hope this will alleviate so many unnamed items remaining unclaimed. The first uniform inspections will take place during the first week back after the Easter break.

Parking – Please Note

We have been informed of the following information by the Birmingham Transportation Team: "Our parking team have been in touch to say that in September/October of last year they carried out some enforcement regarding some newly installed traffic regulation orders around loading located on Bromwich Road. They are looking to carry out some further targeted enforcement on this road, please be aware that tickets will be issued where vehicles breach the regulations."

Mandi Slater, Senior Transportation Officer, Transportation Behaviour Change, Transport & Connectivity – Inclusive Growth Directorate, Birmingham City Council



*Lord Jesus, you never gave up even when you found it most difficult.
During the six weeks of Lent, help us to be strong
and to keep our promises as a sign of our love for you.
Amen*

Yours sincerely,

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Executive Principal

Mrs N Hill
Head of School

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



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Dates for your diary –April

Tuesday 2 nd	All day	FY Visit to the Zoo
Wednesday 3 rd	3:30-5:30	PTA KS2 Movie Night
Thursday 4 th	All day	Y2 Great Fire of London Workshops
Thursday 4 th	3:30-5:15	PTA KS1 Movie Night
Friday 5 th	9:00am	Congratulations Assembly
Sunday 7 th	9:00am	Children's Mass at Holy Trinity
Monday 8 th	9:00am	Y4 Palm Sunday Assembly
Tuesday 9 th	9:00-10:00	Foundation Year Stay and Learn
Wednesday 10 th	9:00am	Y3 Last Supper Assembly
Thursday 11 th	All day	Class Photos and Leavers' Photos
Friday 12 th	9:10am	Y5 Stations of the Cross Assembly
Friday 12 th	From 1:10	Easter Egg Hunt
Monday 29 th		Start of a New Term