



Archdiocese of Birmingham

St. Joseph's News

Friday 5th July 2019



Dear Parents and Carers...

“If, then, you are looking for the way by which you should go,
take Christ, because he Himself is the way.”

St. Thomas Aquinas

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 9 th July	School Mass	9.30am
Friday 12 th July	<i>School Closed - INSET day</i>	
Tuesday 16 th July	Y1 Performance of Little Red Riding Hood	2.30pm
Wednesday 17 th July	Y6 Leavers Mass at St. Joseph's Church	9.30am
Wednesday 17 th July	Y6 Leavers Assembly	1.30pm
Thursday 18 th July	<i>School closes</i> for Summer	1.00pm

INSET Day

Please note that school will be closed for an INSET day **NEXT Friday 12th July**. School resumes as normal on Monday 15th July.

Celebration of St. Joseph's School

As you know, we were honoured to welcome Archbishop Bernard into St. Joseph's School this week for a celebration of the school's anniversaries. On behalf of all of the school family, we would like to say a big thank you to all who came to join us for this special day. I am sure you will agree that it was a truly beautiful Mass and a wonderful occasion for everyone. We had so many fabulous comments from parents, parishioners and guests visiting school, and the Archbishop was very impressed with the children. We received a beautiful letter today, which read;



“I want to thank you and the whole school community for the very warm welcome I received when I came to visit you on 3rd July. It was good to be able to see something of the life and activities of St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School community and I was very impressed.

Please thank all the young people I met during the visit and, in particular, all those who prepared so carefully for the beautiful Mass of Celebration.

I very much enjoyed my tour of the school and I am grateful to Fr. Stephen Pimlott for joining us on the day, along with Fr. Joyce and Fr. Lennon. It was very good to meet so many of the staff, the governors and the friends of St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School. I appreciated the welcome refreshments and the chance to spend some time with you all.

Once again, thank you for all that you and your staff have achieved with our young people. I shall keep you all in my prayers and wish you every blessing.

With my kindest wishes. Yours sincerely in Christ
Bernard Longley, Archbishop of Birmingham.”

School Mass – Year Three Celebration of First Holy Communion

Our next school Mass will take place on Tuesday 9th July at 9.30am and will be led by Year Three as a Celebration of their First Holy Communion. All of the children who made their Holy Communion last week can bring in their special clothes from the day to wear at this Mass. You are all welcome and encouraged to come along to Mass, especially when it is your child's class who are leading it. You do not have to be Catholic to attend.

School Uniform

Please note that ALL school uniform (**including blouses**) is now only available through Gogna Schoolwear. You can buy online from www.gognaschoolwear.co.uk or from their shop at 67/69 Rookery Road, Birmingham, B21 9QU. School book bags, PE bags and coats with the logo on and other items of uniform are also available from Gogna Schoolwear.



Advance Warning

School will close for the summer holidays on Thursday 18th July at 1.00pm! Please ensure that you are here on time to collect your children as staff are also leaving the site at this time. Thank you!

Leavers' School Mass – Wednesday 17th July 9.30am

On Wednesday 17th July at 9.30am we will be celebrating a 'Leavers' Mass' of Celebration in St. Joseph's Church, which will be led by our Y6 children. It will be their final Mass in St. Joseph's, where we will give thanks for all that they have shared and achieved during their time at St. Joseph's. Please come along and share this special occasion with us.

Y6 Leavers' Assembly – Wednesday 17th July 1.30pm

The Y6 Leavers' Assembly takes place on Wednesday 17th July at 1.30pm. Y6 have been working really hard to prepare for this assembly and you are all very welcome to attend.

Collection from School

If someone else is collecting your child from school you must let us know in advance **on the morning** of the day that they are being collected. We have had numerous issues over the last few weeks with parents coming to collect other children where we have not been informed of this. Please note that we will not let your child leave school with anyone other than you unless we have had prior notification from you.

Staffing for September 2019

The children got to meet their new teachers on Thursday and I am happy to inform you of the new class arrangements for the next academic year.



Reception:	Mrs Turner, Mrs Caffrey, Miss Dalziel
Year 1:	Mrs Shipman, Mrs Smith
Year 2:	Miss Collins, Mr Tooth, Miss Painting
Year 3:	Miss Mullen, Mrs Dalziel
Year 4:	Miss Young, Miss Crane
Year 5:	Mr Tobias, Mrs Peplow, Mrs Pattinson
Year 6:	Mr Caffrey, Miss Price, Mrs Koumi

Miss Bonham will work across classes

*If you have any safeguarding concerns please contact one of the safeguarding team;
Mrs Treadwell, Miss Price, Mrs Pattinson, Mr Caffrey and Miss Collins.*

Goodbye!

As you know, at the end of this term we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Treadwell as she takes early retirement. On behalf of all of us at St. Joseph's we would like to thank Mrs Treadwell for all that she has done during her time here to make St. Joseph's the fabulous school that it is. Over the ten years that she has been here, Mrs Treadwell has worked tirelessly to ensure that the children are always achieving their best and has shown such dedication and commitment to her vocation. We would like to wish her every happiness in her retirement.

At the end of this term we will also be saying goodbye to Miss McEvoy and Miss Ryan, who will be leaving us to take up posts in other schools. We would like to thank them for all of their hard work and dedication during their time with us and wish them every success and happiness in their new jobs.



Time Out After School Club

Time Out Club are now offering a 'short-stay' youth club for children aged 4-11 for the fabulous price of just £1 per day. This includes a pick-up service from school. Your child will be collected at 3.15pm and will be taken to the Time Out Club on Nechells Park Road, where they will stay until 4.30pm. *Please note that any child staying after this time must be booked in for the full after school club at additional cost.* If you would like more information, please contact Time Out on 0121 328 3399.

Jumpers and Cardigans

I would like to remind you how important it is to check that your child's jumpers and cardigans are all **clearly labelled with their names**. In the warm weather, children often take off their jumpers, particularly in the playground, and forget where they have left them. If other children then pick them up and take them home believing them to be theirs, we will not be able to trace them without names. It is much easier to reunite lost jumpers with their owners if they are labelled! Thank you.



St. Joseph's Mass Times

Weekly Mass at St. Joseph's is on Saturday evening at 6.00pm. St. Joseph's Church can be found on Thimblemill Lane and the telephone number is 0121 327 0235. All families are invited and more than welcome to attend church. I look forward to seeing you there! **Father Stephen**

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday this week to Taliyah & Eldana (Reception) and Danyal (Year One)



Attendance – week ending 28th June 2019

Well done to Year Four and Year Six who achieved a fabulous 98% attendance for last week. The full attendance figures are as follows:

Rec	93%	Year One	96%	Year Two	96%	Year Three	95%
Year Four	98%	Year Five	97%	Year Six	98%		

This gives a whole school attendance of 96%

Many thanks,

A. Treadwell

Head Teacher

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