



Archdiocese of Birmingham

# St. Joseph's News

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023



Dear Parents, Carers, Pupils, Staff and Parishioners,

## Dates for your Diary

Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	KS2 (Y3/4/5/6) Sports Day at Nechells Wellbeing Centre	10am – 12pm
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	KS1 Sports Day at school	9.15am – 10.45am
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	SCHOOL CLOSURES AT 1.15PM FOR Y6 ONLY	1.15pm
	Reception 2023 Open Day	2.00pm
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Transition day at their new schools (moved from 5 <sup>th</sup> July)	
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Leavers' Production/assembly	9.30am
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Leavers' Mass	2.00pm
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	End of school year – school closes at 1.00pm	1.00pm

## A Prayer by Margaret – Y3

Dear God,

Please bless all the people around the world and I wish everybody will be kind, honest, generous and forgiving, and be loving.

Amen

## St Joseph's Parish

Mass at St Joseph's Church takes place every Sunday morning at 9.45am. Please do try to attend Mass as often as you can.

## Sports Day

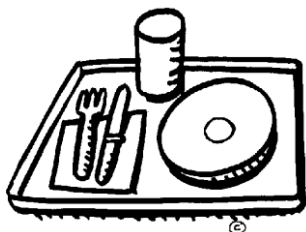
Our Sports Days will be taking place next week (weather permitting!)

**KS2 (Y3/4/5/6) Sports day** will be on **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July** at **Nechells Wellbeing Centre**, Rupert Street, from 10am until 12pm. Parents are welcome to attend, but you must be there by 9.55am at the latest. We will start promptly at 10am and no parent will be permitted after this time.

**KS1 (Rec/Y1/Y2) Sports day** will be on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July** in **school** from 9.15am until 10.45am. Again parents are welcome to attend but you must be in the playground by 9.10am as entrance will be through the playground gate, which will be locked at 9.10am for health and safety reasons. There will be no admittance through school at all, so if you arrive after the gates are locked you will be unable to attend.

Children in Y3, 4, 5 and 6 must come to school wearing their PE kit on Monday. Children in Rec, Y1 and Y2 must come to school wearing their PE kit on Tuesday. PE kits for Rec, Y1 and Y2 children will be sent home on Monday ready for the next day. Please also make sure that your child has their water bottle in school with them!





## School Meals price increase

The price of school meals will be increasing from September by £1 per week. This means that the costs will be £2.70 per day or £13.50 per week. Unfortunately this is due to rising costs through our catering company and the costs of food increasing.

## Y5 and Y6 Morning Break

As you may know, all children in Year 5 and Year 6 are able to purchase toast, drinks and snacks at morning break. The cost of toast is now 30p and all other items are 35p each.

## Weston Trip

Thank you to everyone who attended our trip to Weston-Super-Mare today. All our families have had a lovely day!

A special thank you to Laura McCormack who acted as a parental volunteer on one of our coaches today. She did a fantastic job and we really appreciate all of her help and support!

## Eco-Schools Award

We have now received our Eco-Schools award and are proudly able to display the Eco-Schools logo on our website and newsletters. Huge thanks to all of our eco-committee and especially Mrs Holmes, who have worked very hard to achieve this. Well done to you all!



## Is my child too ill for school?

We have received some information from the NHS this week that is really useful in deciding when your child should be kept off school due to illness. You can find out when it's best to keep your sick child at home and when it's OK to send them to school or nursery by visiting <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

## Uniform

It has come to our attention that our uniform suppliers Gogna have been providing sweatshirts, cardigans and polo shirts with printed logos instead of embroidered logos as we usually have. The quality of these logos has not proved to be good as the badges are fading with washing and we do not feel that these are good value for money. We have contacted the supplier to say that we would like them to revert to embroidered logos, however have had no response to this.

I would like to make you aware that you can also purchase our uniform for an online supplier called My Uniform. These jumpers, cardigans and polo shirts are provided with an embroidered logo and are the same price as our current supplier. You can also buy our school bags and PE bags from there along with other items of uniform. You can buy them by visiting <https://myclothing.com/collections/st-josephs-catholic-primary-school-pupil-28658>

## New Intake – Reception Class 2023 – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July

Our Open Day for all families who have been allocated a place for their child to start school in September 2023 takes place NEXT Wednesday 5th July. Please remember to bring with you all relevant forms and documentation, as detailed on the letter that you have received. We are looking forward to meeting you all on that day.

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## Warm Weather Reminders!



- Please ensure that your child has their water bottle in school with them every day. It is very warm at the moment, especially in the school building, and we do not have cups in the classrooms for them to use. Also can I please remind you that **ONLY** plain water is allowed in bottles. Your child should not have any squash or flavoured water in school.
- You may send your child with a sun hat to wear outside (no sun glasses please!) while it is warm and you should apply sun cream to them before they come to school. **Please do not send them with bottles of sun cream or sun glasses for health and safety reasons.**
- Please could you 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 they do not have names in, we will not be able to find them amongst others. Please remind your children (especially KS2) that they should be putting jumpers and cardigans in their tray to avoid them being lost.
- If your child suffers with Hayfever, please give them medication in the morning before they come to school, as we have noticed a lot of children have been struggling with symptoms this week.

## Twitter

As you know we have a school Twitter page which is regularly updated with schools events and day to day activities that the children are taking part in. This is a lovely way for you to see what your children are learning about and achieving in school. If you use Twitter, please show your support for our school by liking and commenting on our posts. You can also see our Twitter feed on the home page of our school website [www.stjosb7.bham.sch.uk](http://www.stjosb7.bham.sch.uk)

## Online Safety Newsletter

Attached to the email with your newsletter today is our E-Safety newsletter for July. This has lots of useful information and tips for keeping your children safe online.

## Pastoral Team

In school we have a team of safeguarding DSLs, Wellbeing staff and we also have a Pastoral Team. Our Pastoral Team is made up of myself (Mrs Ashley), Mr Caffrey, Miss Teague, Mrs Pattinson, Mrs West, Mrs Koumi, and Miss Crane.

## Class Attendance – weekly attendance treats

Every week, the class with the highest attendance are rewarded with a certificate and an extra day during the week to attend our lunchtime 'Board Games' club. At the end of each half term, the class with the most certificates will be given a treat!



## Attendance – week ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023

Well done to **Year Four** who had the best attendance this week with a fabulous 98%!! The full attendance figures are as follows:

Rec	95%	Year One	89%	Year Two	97%	Year Three	91%
Year Four	98%	Year Five	86%	Year Six	93%		

This gives a whole school attendance of 92%

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Congratulations to the following children who have shone in school over the last week;

Reception	Praise	Excellent answers in R.E.
Year 1	Zemira	Excellent odd and even number knowledge
Year 2	Didan	Making great progress with all of her work
Year 3	Yostina	Excellent effort and achievements in lessons
Year 4	Rosie-Mae	Swimming 25m confidently.
Year 5	Malgorzata	Excellent effort in everything she has done this week.
Year 6	Rumatha	Brilliant and prayerful RE work about Our Mother Mary!

## School Term Dates 2022 -2023

Summer Term 2023
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> April 2023 to Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2023
HALF TERM
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2023 to Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2023
END OF YEAR

<b>Teacher Days –</b> Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> July Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> July
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## School Term Dates 2023 -2024

Autumn Term 2023	Spring Term 2024	Summer Term 2024
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2023 to Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October 2023	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 2024 to Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2024 to Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2024
HALF TERM	HALF TERM	HALF TERM
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November 2023 to Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2023	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2024 to Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2024 to Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2024
END OF TERM	END OF TERM	END OF YEAR

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<b>Bank Holidays –</b> Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2024 Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May 2024
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