



Archdiocese of Birmingham

# St. Joseph's News

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023



Dear Parents, Carers, Pupils, Staff and Parishioners,

## Dates for your Diary

### Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May

### SCHOOL CLOSED – Coronation bank holiday

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May

Y6 SATs tests

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May

Y1 & Y2 Wellbeing and Anti-bullying workshop

2pm – 3pm

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May

Y3 & Y4 Wellbeing and Anti-bullying workshop

2pm – 3pm

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May

Y5 & Y6 Wellbeing and Anti-bullying workshop

2pm – 3pm

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

SEND Coffee Morning

10-11am

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May

First Holy Communion meeting

3.30pm

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May

School closes for ONE WEEK half-term holiday

3.15pm

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June

First Holy Communion Mass at St. Joseph's Church

12.00pm

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June

Father's Day INSPIRE (time tbc)

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July

Y6 Leavers' Production/assembly

2.00pm

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 Coronation Prayer

Dear God,

We pray for King Charles III and the Queen Consort as they are crowned on their coronation day.

May today be a special day for them, the Royal family, people in the United Kingdom and across the world.

Please give King Charles III and the Queen Consort wisdom and patience as they reign.

Bless our country as we welcome these new leaders. 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.

## SCHOOL CLOSED ON MONDAY – Coronation bank holiday

**School is closed on Monday for the second bank holiday of this month. We return to school on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May at 8.45am**

## Year 6 SATs Week / Breakfast Club

Year Six SATS will take place **next week 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> May**. It is VERY IMPORTANT that your child is in school for the whole of this week, and also that they are in on time each day. As you know, we are running a free breakfast club for all Y6 children for the duration of next week. **Please ensure that your child is in school before 8.30am** so that they have time to prepare themselves before the tests start.

If you have requested a sibling place for Breakfast club during next week, this must be paid for in full on Tuesday morning if you haven't already sent in the money. Breakfast Club is run by an outside agency and they collect payment on a daily basis.

## Year 2 SATs Week

Year Two SATS will take place during the week of 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> May. It is VERY IMPORTANT that your child is at school for the whole of this week, and also that they are in on time each day.



## Coronation of King Charles III

We have had a lovely celebration day in school today to mark the Coronation of King Charles III. The children all looked amazing in their red, white and blue! The school hall has been decorated in bunting, flags and posters and the children enjoyed a wonderful picnic buffet lunch thanks to our fabulous cooks, Kelly and Pat, followed by delicious cupcakes and ice creams.



The children have been learning all about what will happen at the Coronation and why it is important for our country. They have also been learning about King Charles and have made some crafts in class. We have bought a time capsule for school and we will put some of these crafts inside for future generations of children to enjoy.

A coronation is a special ceremony where a new Monarch (king or queen) is crowned and blessed in front of lots of people. Special prayers are also said for the new monarch and their people during the ceremony, which will take place in Westminster Abbey. It is a very joyful occasion and there will be a big parade through the streets of London, where the new King will greet his people. Lots of special events are taking place around the country and on the television to mark this - you can watch the actual Coronation ceremony on TV on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May. The ceremony starts at 11.00am.



Every child has been given some special commemorative gifts today – an engraved medal from school and a personalised leather bookmark which has been gifted by our MAC trust. We hope that these will be a lovely keepsake and memory for them in years to come.

## Anti-Bullying and Wellbeing workshops

Our 'Wellbeing and Anti-bullying' workshops take place next week, starting with Y1 & Y2 on Tuesday. Please ensure that you arrive at 1.50pm at the latest. **The workshop will start at 2pm and nobody will be admitted once the workshop has started.**

Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	Y1 & Y2	2pm – 3pm
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Y3 & Y4	2pm – 3pm
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> May	Y5 & Y6	2pm – 3pm

## SEND Coffee Morning

Do you have concerns or worries about your child? Are you a parent of a child with already identified special educational needs? On 22<sup>nd</sup> May we will be holding a Coffee Morning in school from 10am – 11am. Join us for a hot drink and a chance to socialise with other parents in the hall (younger non-school age siblings are welcome too!). Sophie Lewis from the NHS Occupational Therapy Team will also be here to answer any questions you may have. Please let Mrs West or Mrs Pattinson know if you plan to attend.

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Mrs Ashley, Mrs Pattinson, Mr Caffrey and Mrs West*

## Uniform Reminders

Just a few reminders about school uniform rules....

### Jewellery / Necklaces

No jewellery or necklaces are allowed in school apart from one pair of stud earrings which must be removed for PE. No other jewellery of any kind is permitted. Your child may wear a simple, inexpensive wristwatch, however, smart watches and watches which feature games/camera etc are not permitted in school.

### Leggings

We have noticed a number of girls coming into school wearing leggings. These are not appropriate for school wear and must not be worn. This also includes for PE days. If your child is coming into school in PE kit, they should be wearing either their shorts or black jogging bottoms.

### Shoes/Footwear

Shoes should be formal school shoes. Trainers and boots are not permitted as part of uniform.

## First Holy Communion Parents' and Carers Meeting

There will be a meeting for all parents and carers of First Holy Communion children in school on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May from 3.30pm until 4.00pm to discuss arrangements for the day.

## Place2Be Mental Health Support

Place2Be have launched a 'Parenting Smart' site, filled with a number of resources for parents and carers of 4-11 year olds. Their latest articles on supporting healthy gaming habits, developing a child's talent and safe social media for younger children can all be read or watched in under ten minutes. Visit <https://parentingsmart.place2be.org.uk/> for more information.

## 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.

## This Week's News



Well done to the children in Year 4 who have achieved level 1 in Bikeability, and the children in Year 5 who achieved level 1 and level 2. Be safe on your bikes!

We had a fantastic turn out from our Y1 and 2 children and their families for our latest after school gardening session. They have worked really hard to improve our Prayer Garden and make our grounds a haven for bees and butterflies.



Year 6 have been celebrating early ahead of King Charles III Coronation tomorrow 🇬🇧 we have been sketching portraits of His Majesty, designing our own Royal Cyphers and Coronation invitations ✉️

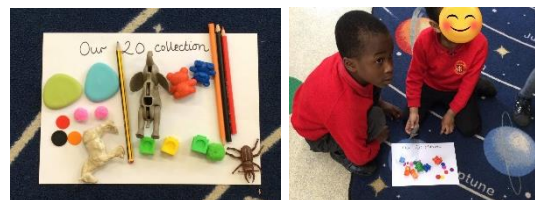
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In Maths this week, Reception have been working in pairs to find a collection of 20 objects

N - we need to remember how many we have already and not get too many more

A - if my partner gets 10 and I get 10 then it's 20



## 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 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Well done to **Year Three** who had the best attendance this week with an amazing **100%!!** The full attendance figures are as follows:

Rec	99%	Year One	96%	Year Two	99%	Year Three	<b>100%</b>
Year Four	99%	Year Five	96%	Year Six	99%		

This gives a whole school attendance of 98%



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

Reception	Kebba	A fantastic effort with his writing
Year 1	Caden	Some fabulous art work of King Charles and Queen Camilla
Year 2	Elnathan	Being very helpful, polite and working well
Year 3	Osazuwa	Excellent work in RE and improved handwriting
Year 4	Huda	Trying her best in her work, especially in swimming
Year 5	Pone Pone	Always being a super role model and trying his best.
Year 6	Ryan	Super progress and effort over this half term 😊

## 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
<b>Bank Holidays –</b> Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2023

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