



ST JOSEPH'S
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Friday 28th April 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Another week has passed and I am delighted to see that the children continue to learn under the guidance of the staff. I was fortunate enough to teach Y6 on Wednesday morning and can see that they are getting closer to being ready for their big move to Secondary School. I also saw the Early Years children getting their weekly awards in the hall this week and sharing a story which was wonderful.

Quick Read Reminders for Next Week

- Monday- Bank Holiday school closed.
- Tuesday- Industrial Action by some teachers Year 1 and Year 4 closed to all pupils
- Wednesday- Y4 swimming session kit required.
- Thursday all children to wear their PE uniform
- Friday no school uniform day all children to wear red, white and blue colours. Ice pops on sale.



King's Coronation Party- St Joseph's Style Friday 5th May 2023

We would like all children to wear red white and blue clothes on Friday. In the afternoon we are going to host a Coronation Day Sing Along party where each class will be singing and performing popular songs to each other as well as singing 'King' related songs. If any children have Union Flags big or small and want to bring them in that day that would be marvellous. Children may also be doing some extra coronation based activities during the week to share at this celebration.

Morning Drop Off and Collection Routines Exception for Reception Parents

Please can I ask that all carers who drop children off at school do not come into the classroom areas through the cloakrooms in the 'pod' areas of the school. **The only exception to this will be Reception parents.** If you have an urgent message for the teacher, please make them aware of this but we are trying to get sessions started as promptly as possible which is not possible with carers in cloakrooms or classrooms. Year 1 children are dropped off and collected at their door so all other children will have the independence to do this in the other classrooms.

Please can I also ask that children are supervised in the outdoor classroom area at the end of the day. We often leave equipment out at this time of year ready for the next day for our youngest children to use. Older children should not be playing outside Nursery at the end of the day. Thank you for helping us with this matter.

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Ice Pop Friday

We still sold ice pops even though the weather wasn't great. We will continue to sell them each week at breaktime on a Friday.

PE Next Week

On Thursday we have a visiting teacher coming to our school to look at our fabulous PE sessions. Therefore, can all classes need to wear their PE kit on Thursday.

- Monday- BANK HOLIDAY
- Tuesday- Y2 & Y5
- Wednesday-FS2 & Y1 (Y4 swimming)
- Thursday- ALL CLASSES
- Friday- NO PE TODAY DUE TO CORONATION EVENT

After School Clubs:

- Monday: MFC in the Community
- Tuesday Art
- Thursday: Hope Charity Craft Club

The cost for these clubs is set up for you on ParentPay at £10 for this half term.

Industrial Action Next Week

Please see the separate letter that has been sent out regarding the industrial action being taken by some teaching staff on Tuesday 2nd May 2023.

Stars of the week: Friday 21st April 2023

This week's them has been History

- LJ- Blake T & Dash Dash M
- FS1- Arthur W & Levi H-G
- FS2- Etienne L & Harley B
- Y1- Reuben C & William W
- Y2- Lewis B & Lucas M
- Y3- Charlotte G & Jack B
- Y4- Oliver B & Tommy-Lee N
- Y5- Bella S & Maisie B
- Y6- Konrad R & Layla F

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Final Thoughts- May the month of Mary

May, the month in which the earth springs into bloom and we start thinking about planting gardens, family picnics and making holiday plans.

It's also the Month of Mary. The tradition of dedicating the month of May to Mary, came about in the 13th century. Some say because it was created to replace various pagan cults. The actual reason is the fact that this month is the time when spring is at the height of its beauty. Spring is also connected with nature renewing itself. In her way, Mary gave new life to the world when she gave birth to our saviour Jesus Christ.

Devotion to Mary is one an important part of the Catholic identity. As our mother she is an example of a committed "Yes" to the will of God. Because of the devotion to her many people ask her for help in the most difficult moments of their life as any child does with his mother.

Hail Mary full of Grace, the Lord is with thee.
Blessed are thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus.
Holy Mary Mother of God,
pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death
Amen.

Have a great weekend and see you on **TUESDAY**.

Mr Geaves

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