



ST JOSEPH'S  
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you very much for your continued support of the school. Well done to the Y6 children for their impeccable approach to their assessments. As a school we are all looking forward to the Colour run on Friday. Remember this is for the amazing charities Ovarian Cancer Action and Children/s Cancer North. Sponsor forms will be collected in the week after the half-term holiday.



### **Sumdog Maths Competition**

From Monday 20th May - Friday 24th May 2024, Years 1-6 will be taking part in the NPCAT Multiplication Masters on Sumdog competing against other schools and each other. Please could you support your children with this at home.

### **Puma Cheerleading Fundraiser- Cake Sale on Tuesday**

As you will be aware 4 girls from our school have qualified for an international Cheerleading Competition. As part of the fundraising initiatives, we are happy to support them with a cake sale in school in Tuesday at breaktime. All cakes will be priced at 50p.

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### **Minibus Issues**

The biggest headache of the week has been the ongoing saga with the minibus. I can only apologise for the inconvenience that has been caused by the breakdown. As soon as we are able to further updates will be provided.

### **Online Parenting Courses**

Redcar and Cleveland Council has partnered with the Solihull Approach to offer free online courses to support the mental health and wellbeing of parents, carers, grandparents and teens living in the region. The free online training and resources are available to parents and all professionals who work with children. There are various online courses available, including:

- Supporting emotional health and wellbeing from 0-19+
- Understanding your child: from toddler to teenager
- Understanding your child with additional needs
- Understanding your teenagers brain

These sessions are a great resource. To access the online courses, please click this [link](#) and sign up for free, using the access code **LEMONTOP**

### **PTFA Reminders**

**Someone Special Day - 14th June** After the huge success of our 'Someone Special Day' in March, we've decided to do it all again! This will take place on Friday 14th June at 1.30pm or 2.15pm. Tickets are priced at £3 each which entitles 1 adult to receive some homemade corned beef pie, peas and tea/coffee and 1 child to receive a cake and juice. Additional children can be added to an adult ticket for an extra £1 each (eg. 1 adult, 2 children =£4) and additional adults can be added for £2 each (eg. 2 adults, 1 child = £5). **Tickets are on sale from Tuesday 7th May until 3.30pm Friday 7th June from Miss Ayton.** Please note this will be a ticketed event only to enable us to cater for the correct numbers. If you have any dietary requirements or a preference for a specified time sitting, please let us know when purchasing tickets.

**Ice Pop Fridays (21st, 28th June, 5th, 12th, 19th July)** The children have asked for Ice Pop Fridays to return. Let's hope the weather continues to be this sunny. These will be available at break times on the above dates for 30p per week or £1.50 can be paid in advance for all 5 weeks.

**Summer Fair - 4th July** As requested, attraction tickets will be on sale in advance this year! These will go on sale from Monday 17th June.

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### **Type 2 Diabetes Awareness Week**

Next week is Type 2 Diabetes Prevention Week. It is a joint campaign from NHS England and Diabetes UK that takes place 20-26 May 2024. The campaign aims to raise awareness of the risk of type 2 diabetes and how to avoid it.

You can check your risk via the Diabetes UK Know Your Risk tool <https://riskscore.diabetes.org.uk>

As part of this campaign there are two local events listed below. We are advised that booking isn't essential for lunch.

In aid of  
**DIABETES UK**  
KNOW DIABETES. FIGHT DIABETES.

**Coffee Morning  
& Table Top Sale**

Saturday May 18th  
Loftus Town Hall 10am—12 noon

Home Baking  
Craft Stalls  
Tombola  
Raffle  
Guess the name of Teddy the swimmer  
and much more

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**Let's do lunch!**  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May  
Loftus Town Hall

Soup, bun and a healthy pud!  
11am – 1pm

As part of Type 2 Diabetes Prevention Week, MFC Foundation Kitchen Therapy group with support from Co-op Loftus, will cook you a nutritious lunch, promising you a fun, informative time. We will even throw in a game of bingo and a raffle

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### **Stars of the Week:**

This week certificates have been awarded to children who have worked really well under the heading of **staying positive**

- LJ- Roman G
- FS1- Blake T & Remi L-T
- FS2- Sebastian M-T
- Y1- Savannah B & Mabel H
- Y2- Phoebe M & Annie D
- Y3- Lucas M & Lewis B
- Y4- Bella T & William M
- Y5- Emelie D & Henry L
- Y6- All of Year 6

### **Break up for Half-Term**

Don't forget that after the colour run we break up for half term and return to school on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024.

### **Final Thoughts & Prayers-**

This coming Sunday, the Church will be celebrating a great and joyful feast, Pentecost Sunday. It's the feast of the gift of the Holy Spirit to the Church, a gift which we now receive at Baptism, Confirmation, and at Mass.

Holy Spirit,  
Blow away the things that keep people apart.  
Light your flame of love and hope in us,  
so that we can be your Pentecost people today.  
Amen.

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy Pentecost Sunday the unofficial birthday of the Church.

Mr Geaves

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