



Newsletter – 22nd March 2024

[Please remember to view the school calendar/website for further information](#)

Our Catholic Mission

The parish newsletter and website www.romancatholiclichfield.co.uk contains information about Masses and other church notices.

Thank you to all who came to Mass or Stations of the Cross this week, the children were very respectful and understanding of this time leading up to Holy Week and Easter.

Thank you to Fr John and Monsignor Anthony for helping the children to prepare for Easter by hearing confessions this week.

The Easter Story

Y3 and Y4 retold the Easter story so beautifully and reverently on Tuesday. Their acting and singing was superb and there was not a dry eye in the house! Thank you to all parents for coming.

First Holy Communion

The Sacrament of The Eucharist will be celebrated at 11 am on **Sunday, 19th May** at Ss Peter & Paul's Church for those children in Y3 who are making their First Holy Communion this year.

Confirmation

The date for the Sacrament of Confirmation is 7 pm on **Monday 10th June 2024 at Ss Peter & Paul**. The celebrant will be Canon Paul McNally.

Attendance

Congratulations to Y5, the class with the highest attendance this week of 99.3%!

Star Workers

Congratulations to our Star Workers this week!

Pre-School: Maisie & Erin

Reception: Riley & Meredith

Y1: Renee & Oliver

Y2: Orla & Grace

Y3: Eve & Corben

Y4: Eva & Iyla

Y5: Rose & Joseph

Y6: Rory & Sebastjan

Headteacher's Award: Theo & Noah M



Lent Fundraiser

Thank you to everybody who supported the children's table top sales during Lent. The grand total raised is a staggering £723 for Father Hudson's Care.

Summer Term 2023-24 Dates

Next term's dates have been emailed to you today.

End of Term Reports

You should have received the end of term report for your child on Wednesday via Google Classroom. If you have any queries, please email the office (not class teachers).

Foundation Stage Parent Drop-Ins – 17th April

Bookings can now be made through the school website for your Pre-School/Reception drop-in; bookings will close at 4 pm on Friday, 12th April. Please note you will need your School Jotter login details to be able to book an appointment. 'How to book a Parent's Evening appointment' instructions are available on the [school website](#).

British Science Week Poster Competition Winners

Thank you everyone who entered the British Science Week Poster Competition. There was such a range of connections displayed and it was very difficult to judge them! The winners are: Renee (Y1) and Eibhlin (Y4).

Epilepsy Awareness Day

Epilepsy Awareness Day was celebrated throughout the school today in advance of World Purple Day next Tuesday, 26th March.

Y4 Lichfield Guildhall

What an interesting time Y4 had visiting the Guildhall prison cells as part of their crime and punishment Topic. What a gruesome bunch they are!

Y3 Ancient Greek trip

What a fantastic day Y3 had yesterday [@LipTanglewood](#) on a fun filled day learning all about Ancient Greece! They took part in a Greek discovery walk and had their own mini Olympics; archery and running were among a few of the sports! They then went campfire cooking, marshmallow eating and Greek clay Monster making, using all things nature! They were fabulous representatives of St Joseph's. Also, a huge thank you to all who came long and helped make this day what it was.

Pre-School

- If you are having a clear out, we would appreciate donations of plastic kitchen utensils and a plastic home brew barrel or water butt!
- Please can you remember to check ParentPay regularly for any items which may require attention.

School Lunch menu

New school lunch menus will be launched after Easter and are now available on the [school website](#) and ParentPay. Please remember to pre-book school lunches on ParentPay before 8 am on the day required.

After School Clubs

Please see the [school website](#) for more details about After School Clubs [Parents/Extra Curricular and Wraparound Care].

Volunteers

Would you like to volunteer to help in school? Parents who come and read with children or help with changing library books are hugely appreciated. We ask that parent volunteers only volunteer for classes, which their own child is not in please.

Unwanted visitors - headlice

We have been advised that there is headlice in school could you please take a moment to check your child's hair and treat if necessary. For more information <http://www.onceaweektakeapeek.com>

PTFA

You are automatically a PTFA member, but we would be grateful if you could spare some time in becoming an active member. Please don't hesitate to get in touch (ptfa@stjosephslichfield.org.uk), speak to your class rep or Facebook "*St Joseph's School Lichfield PTFA*".

Many thanks to the PTFA for organising a successful Chocolate Bingo event last night and for providing the children with Easter eggs to take home today.

And Finally

What a magnificent assembly from Reception this morning. They showed us how important it is to share our talents with others. They sang and signed beautifully!

Wishing you all a happy and holy Easter.

May God be with you

Mrs Mcleary

Headteacher

