



# Newsletter - 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021

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

## **Our Catholic Mission**

The parish newsletter and website [www.romancatholiclichfield.co.uk](http://www.romancatholiclichfield.co.uk) contains information about masses and other church notices.

## **Whole School Mass**

On Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> January at 9.30 am, children in school and at home will be joining in a live streamed Mass with Fr Michael White. Here is the link if you also wish to join in from home.

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC4Z9T2\\_8zdrDGsPzUbe8jiw](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC4Z9T2_8zdrDGsPzUbe8jiw)

## **First Holy Communion & Confirmation**

We are pleased to advise the following dates:

- Y4 FHC Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> May 2021 (6 pm)
- Y3 FHC Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> May 2021 (6pm)
- Y7 Confirmation Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> June 2021 (6 pm)
- Y6 Confirmation Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> June 2021 (6 pm)

## **Remote Learning**

Thank you to those who have provided remote learning feedback as this helps with our continuous review. The overwhelming amount of positive comments are appreciated by staff. We will shortly be sending out another parent questionnaire on this and your feedback would be greatly appreciated.

Whilst we are required to provide a set amount of work per day, we understand that on occasions it may prove difficult to complete all tasks and we do not want families having this added pressure. If you have any queries whatsoever, please contact your child's class teacher using the class email address.

Here is the link to our [Remote Education Plan](#) on the school website.

A gentle reminder that any class teacher videos uploaded to Google Classroom are for your child's use only and should not be shared.

## **Online Safety**

Please remember to talk regularly to your children about online safety and appropriate use of social media at home.

## **INSET DAY - Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January**

Just to let you know that the planned Inset Day on Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> January 2021 will now not be going ahead. We will advise you in due course of the revised date which will be held during the Summer term.

## **Star Workers**

Congratulations to our Star Workers this week! Unfortunately, we cannot invite parents into school to celebrate with us at this time, however the children will be bringing their certificates home to share with you.

**Reception:** Lachlan & Ioannis

**Y1:** Eva & Beau

**Y2:** Cora & Hudson

**Y3:** Oscar & Thomas D

**Y4:** Rebekah & Lucie

**Y5:** Connie & Noah C

**Y6:** Olivia G & Harley

**Headteacher's Award:** Joanna & Sean



## **School Lunches – Spring Term 2021**

All Key Worker children attending school will be able to eat lunch in their class bubbles in the school hall. Please remember to book your child's lunch on ParentPay by the Wednesday of the preceding week.

## **School Vacancies**

There is a Lunchtime Supervisor vacancy within school – please take a look at the [website](#) for more details.

## **Break Snacks**

During the national lockdown, fruit for snack time delivered to school has been suspended until further notice. Therefore, please send your child in with a piece of fruit for a break time snack.

### Change in PE Day for Key Worker children

Your child's PE days are as follows:

YR	Friday
Y1	Wednesday
Y2	Wednesday
Y3	Tuesday
Y4	Wednesday
Y5	Tuesday
Y6	Tuesday

Please can the children come to school in their PE kit on these days.

### Baptismal Certificates?

If you have applied for a 2021-22 Reception place and your child is baptised Catholic, please ensure that school has a copy of their baptismal certificate as soon as possible.

### Pre School

Pre School have some places available for Summer term starts. 15 and 30 hours funding accepted. If you know of anyone who may be interested, please ask them to email [pre-school@stjosephslichfield.org.uk](mailto:pre-school@stjosephslichfield.org.uk). We would be most grateful for any donations of the following:

- Jigsaws
- Prosecco corks and/or champagne corks
- Swimming noodles
- Waterproof coats, trousers or waterproof all-in-ones ages 2-3 and 3-4.

### Easyfundraising

**Remember to help collect the easyfundraising donations!**

Using easyfundraising could not be easier. Simply search for your retailer on the easyfundraising App or website and shop as normal. Our school will then get a little "Thank you" donation from the retailer at no additional cost to you. All your favourite retailers are giving donations, incl. eBay, Argos, Amazon, John Lewis, John Lewis, Just Eat, Currys, ao.com, JD Sports, Booking.com, ASOS, Not on the High Street, M&S, Boots, Etsy, Wayfair, EE and many more... Every donation, big or small, means a lot to us and we appreciate your help! Visit and

support our easyfundraising page here:

<http://efraising.org/S1YFkOg0il>

### PTFA

If you would like to know more about the PTFA and being a part of the committee, please see the school website

(<http://stjosephscatholicprimary.sites.schooljotter2.com/our-school/ptfa>) or don't hesitate to give the Chair, Mary, a call or speak to your class rep (names are on the school website).

### And Finally

I would like to say thank you to our committed staff here at St Joseph's who, under tremendous pressure, are working very hard to ensure that high quality learning is taking place for children both in school and at home.

Thank you also, to our wonderful children, especially those at home who are engaging so well with their learning producing high quality work. Class teachers have told me well you are participating in google meets.

Thank you to our parents who are doing a sterling job of supporting their children at home with their learning.

And last but not least, thank you to our parents who are working in difficult situations as key workers.

May God be with you

*Mrs Mcleary*

Headteacher

