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Newsletter



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Our Catholic Mission

Well, the BIG day is almost here! Please pray for all children receiving the sacrament of First Holy Communion on Sunday. It would be lovely if as many children as possible could join us to support Year 3 by singing in the choir. Uniform is not required, just dress smartly for Church. Also, any brothers and sisters of children celebrating the Sacrament - you are also welcome to sing in the choir - the more the merrier! Then we are in for a busy day next Tuesday beginning with the Mass of Thanksgiving, in the school hall, at 9.30 am - all are warmly invited. Miss Teague then has many activities planned for the children during the day to celebrate. My thanks to Parents, Miss Teague, Miss Cooper, Mrs Wall, Mrs. Ray and all staff who have prepared the children so well for the Sacrament.

Parish Mass/Children's Liturgy

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

Mass Times: 6.00pm Saturday @ SS Peter & Paul (with Children's Liturgy)
8.30am Sunday @ Holy Cross (with Children's Liturgy)
11.00am Sunday @ SS Peter & Paul (with Children's Liturgy)

Attendance

Congratulations to Y6 with the highest attendance this week with 98.7% congratulations.

Family Lunch H-K - Friday 8 June May 2018 - Week 1 (new Summer menus)

MENU CHOICES TO BE IN TO MRS BURKE BY NOON ON WEDNESDAY 9 MAY 2018

Come and enjoy a school meal with your children on **Friday 8 June 2018** at 11.45am. Adult lunches are £2.76 to be paid on parent pay by Wednesday 6 June 2018 using your child's school dinner account. Menu choices: are crispy Cod fillet, spinach and potato curry, jacket potato, cheese or tuna sandwich.

Father Hudson's Care

Thank you for so generously supporting the Father Hudson's Lent charity. Please could we remind you to bring boxes in as we like to send off the proceeds. Thank you.

Sports day

Sports day is on Friday 25 May, KS1 in the morning from 9.15am-12.00pm approx. Don't forget your picnic lunch as this is also a lovely opportunity to eat lunch together and with other families. Then KS2 sports will take place in the afternoon 1.15pm - 3.15pm approx. KS2 parents also welcome to come at 12.00 pm with a picnic lunch. Children are to wear a colour t-shirt for their house, bring a water bottle and sunhat, and it would be helpful if they already have their suncream applied.

Let's pray for good weather, but also be aware that if it is raining, we may have to postpone at short notice. If this does have to happen, I ask for your understanding and co-operation.

Y1 Puppets

Y1 are making puppets on Monday afternoon - please let Mrs Dolphin know if you are able to help.

BIG BASH

Yes, it's that time of year again! The Big Bash for Years 5 and 6 will take place on Thursday 21st June from 5.00 - 8.00 pm. More information and forms will be coming out soon.

Tempest - vista photographs

A draft of the class photographs has been sent home this week. Could we ask that they be returned by Thursday 24 May at the latest.

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Pre-School Week

Phonics - This week Pre-school children are learning the letter "h". Please can you help children with this sound?

Welly Walk - will be on Monday. If you have any wellies suitable for children aged 3 and 4 we would be very grateful.

Request for spare clothes - if you have any spare boy's pants and girls trousers we would be very grateful.

Change of clothes - please ensure your child brings a spare change of clothes as we play outside all the time and children inevitably get wet and mucky!

Waterproof Coats - please remember to bring in waterproof coats and clothing

Sun cream - Please remember children need come in to Pre-School wearing sun cream and bring in a clearly labelled bottle.

We made biscuits yesterday for year 6 to enjoy after SATs and next week we will be practicing a lot for sports day on Friday

Numbers for Pre-School

Places in Pre-school are limited and places are now quickly filling up. If you are looking for a place or need to change your request, please contact Pre-School.

Online Safety training for parents

Following on from our on-line safety training last week, parents may find the following resources very useful for helping to keep your children safe online. They are <http://www.newwaystolearn.com/parents> and one stop shop of help for controlling online safety @ home.

Gifts of the Spirit - 2018 - concert tour - Tamworth 19 May

There is a Gifts of the Spirit concert tomorrow night at The Sacred Heart Church, Silverlink road, Tamworth - tickets are available from www.onelifemusic.co.uk/shop.

Missing Coat

Has any one found a navy blue Joules coat labelled with the name of a child in reception? If so, please return to school.

PTFA

Father's Day Market - 15 June 2018

Following the success of the Mother's Day Craft Market we are holding a Father's Day Craft Market on Friday 15 June. A form has been emailed out today for completion. We are extending the order deadline (with payment) to Tuesday 22 May.

Summer Fayre 6 July 2018

The summer fayre has been scheduled for 6 July 2018. We will be setting up the stalls from 2pm on the school field and the Fayre will start at 3.30pm, immediately after collecting children from school. If you are able to help on any of the stalls, please contact a member of the PTFA. If you know of any local artists/hobbyists who would be interested in a stall, please could you pass our details on.

Donation days are as follows:

22 June - non uniform (Bottles & jars for a raffle and Stationery items for raffle (preferably new)

29 June - Multicultural day - Toys for a stall

6 July - non-uniform day - cakes & cookies on fayre day itself

Please do not send in gifts, books, chocolate or cream cakes

And Finally...

Well done to our Year 6 children who showed remarkable maturity and composure whilst taking their end of Key Stage SATs tests. They were a credit to themselves and their families. Results should be with us in early July.

*God bless
Mrs D McLeary*



We pray, this week, for all our children who are making their First Holy Communion on Sunday.



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Looking Ahead...
School Dates -
Changes in red

Spring term	
Monday 21 st May	Mission assembly 9.10am
Tuesday 22 nd May	Holy Communion Mass of Thanksgiving 9.30 am Finance committee mtg - GB - 6.00pm Personnel committee mtg - GB - 7.00pm
Wednesday 23 rd May	Y5 Trench Brothers composition workshop in hall - am
Friday 25 th May	Sports Day Break up for half term
Monday 4 th June	Y6 Residential Chasewater - no assembly
Wednesday 6 th June	Y3 - trip to Harvington Hall
Friday 8 th June	Coffee morning PTFA Family Lunch H-K Set homework
Monday 11 th June	9.10 am Mission Assembly Y1 Phonics screening
Tuesday 12 th June	Family Mass 9.30am - all welcome
Friday 15 th June	Y3 Celebration assembly Family Lunch L-N Father's Day craft market - PTFA
Monday 18 th June	Mission assembly 9.10 am Pre-school - reception transition am
Tuesday 19 th June	Return homework Friary, KE and Netherstowe transition day Y6
Wednesday 20 th June	Friary, KE and Netherstowe transition day Y6 Y1 - trip to Twycross Zoo Pre-school - reception transition pm P,H&S committee mtg - GB - 5.00 pm Full Governing Body mtg - 6.00pm
Thursday 21 st June	Reception/Pre-school new parents meeting 6.00 pm
Friday 22 nd June	Non uniform day for Summer Fayre Pre-School and Reception trip to Kingsbury Water Park Y2 celebration assembly Family Lunch O-R Set homework Y6 - Life Talk
Monday 25 th June	INSET Day
Tuesday 26 th June	Mission Assembly 9.10 am

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	Pre-school - reception transition am
Wednesday 27 th June	Bishop McGough visit Sacrament of Confirmation SS P&P 7pm
Thursday 28 th June	Multi-cultural focus Day Vigil Mass for SS P&P - 2pm - all welcome
Friday 29 th June	Reception Celebration assembly Multi-cultural focus Day - Non Uniform Day Family Lunch S-T Keele competition
Monday 2 nd July	No Assembly Pre-school - reception transition pm
Tuesday 3 rd July	Return homework New reception children and parents transition am and pm Music Assembly 1.45 pm
Wednesday 4 th July	Y5 Trench Brothers performance- National Memorial Arboretum
Friday 6 th July	Non Uniform Day - for Summer Fayre Pre-school Celebration assembly Summer Fayre 3.30pm start
Monday 9 th July	Mission assembly 9.10 am
Tuesday 10 th July	New reception parents picnic 2.30pm
Wednesday 11 th July	St. Joseph's Transition morning Open evening 5.00 pm Y6 Performance 6.00 pm
Thursday 12 th July	RSPB - Reception - 9.30 am RSPB - Y1 - 1.30 pm Pre-school - reception transition pm
Friday 13 th July	Family Lunch U-Z Pre-school graduation 1.30 pm
Monday 16 th July	Mission assembly 9.10 am
Tuesday 17 th July	Leaver's Mass - 9.30am school hall TBC
Thursday 19 th July	Great to be green/ attendance assembly 9.10am Leaver's celebration afternoon
Friday 20 th July	Leaver's assembly 9.30am Break up 2.30pm



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Autumn Term - 2017

<i>Inset Day</i>	<i>Monday 4 September</i>
School Opens	Tuesday 5 September
3.30pm School Closes (half term)	Friday 20 October
<i>Inset Day</i>	<i>Monday 30 October</i>
School Opens	Tuesday 31 October
2.30pm School Closes (Christmas)	Tuesday 19 December

Spring Term 2018

<i>Inset Day</i>	<i>Wednesday 3 January</i>
School Opens	Thursday 4 January
<i>Inset Day</i>	<i>Friday 26 January</i>
3.30pm School Closes (half term)	Friday 16 February
School Opens	Monday 26 February
2.30pm School Closes (Easter)	Thursday 29 March

Summer Term 2018

School Opens	Thursday 12 April
Bank Holiday	Monday 7 May
3.30pm School Closes (half term)	Friday 25 May
School Opens	Monday 4 June
<i>Inset Day</i>	<i>Monday 25 June</i>
2.30pm School Closes (Summer)	Friday 20 July