



# Newsletter



Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2021

## Dear Parents and Carers,

The Government have announced that they will extend the current restrictions until the 19<sup>th</sup> of July. This has some ramifications for events that we were hoping to hold in the coming weeks.

### Whole school events

The **school fair** will be postponed and hopefully the PTFA can organize it for the Autumn.

### Sports events

KS2 Swimming gala 7<sup>th</sup> July- No spectators (we will need 3 parent volunteers from each year group to support pool side and walk back to school please send an e mail to the office to register your interest).

Field events 8<sup>th</sup> July- No spectators

Races 9<sup>th</sup> July- No spectators

**End of term leavers mass Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July** will not take place

**Colour run** should be able to take place on the 19<sup>th</sup> of July, with parents, however it will take place from approx. 1.30pm with staggered starts for each year group, even if restrictions are lifted. (Letter and more details to follow)

### Year 6 Events

**Parents social** on the school grounds 9<sup>th</sup> July cannot take place.

**Year 6 concert**, 14<sup>th</sup> July will be videoed for parents and it will be paired down slightly from the version we were going to perform for parents.

**Leaver's assembly** and lunch 20<sup>th</sup> July, weather permitting it will take place outside at 11am followed by a picnic lunch families will be able to sit together on picnic blankets or bring a picnic chair. Siblings can attend with parents and can enjoy a picnic together after the assembly.

If it is raining then we will have the assembly in the hall, but we will probably have to split the assembly into 2 groups to accommodate everyone. There will be no lunch with this option.

Although the Government have said restrictions

may be lifted on the 19<sup>th</sup> of July we will try and keep everyone as safe as possible, so we can enjoy our summer holiday. Some schools have cancelled all events at the end of term but we think it's really important for the children to try and do as much as we can to keep things as normal as possible.

All other events not mentioned above will still go ahead

### COVID testing

The delta variant is on the rise and there are quite a few schools in the local area that have had to close year groups. We hope we won't have to disrupt our last few weeks in school.

Please stay vigilant with regard to the symptoms of COVID –cough, temperature, runny nose and headache. These could all be symptoms of other ailments; however under the current circumstances we would advise you to keep your child at home and book a COVID test and continue to follow the government guidance.

The government are encouraging families to use the free lateral flow tests at home. These can be collected from local pharmacies and also ordered online via <https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

All staff are using these tests twice weekly we would encourage you to do the same.

### INSET DAYS 2021-2022

Thursday and Friday September 2<sup>nd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup>

Monday November 1<sup>st</sup>

Tuesday January 4<sup>th</sup>

Monday February 28<sup>th</sup>

## Preschool Opening



**If you would like to register your interest, please visit this link and fill in your details. If you know anyone outside of our school community who may also be interested, you are welcome to share this link with them:**

<https://forms.gle/keJNt1QKabAjuPoA8>

The Pre- School will open its doors to our new children on **Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> of September**. If you have registered your interest you will be getting more information with times, costs and pre-registration documents via your e mail. As the summer fair will not be taking place this term we will announce another date for the preschool open day.

## New Multi Academy Trust

The Cardinal Newman Catholic Educational Trust, consisting of nine Catholic Primary Schools in Bristol, South Gloucestershire and North Somerset is looking for eight new Directors to form its Trust Board.

This is an exciting opportunity to be part of one of the first Multi Academy Trusts within Clifton Diocese. If you have enthusiasm and commitment, can take a strategic view and contribute to boardroom discussions, then you can make a valuable contribution to the governing board of this new Multi Academy Trust. It also provides the opportunity to use your life/work skills and experience, to provide the best possible education for the benefit of the children in our schools.

Please see the Director Recruitment Pack

[Directors Application Pack](#)

for further details and how to apply Closing date for applications is 12.00 noon on Friday 25 June.

## Music lessons Term 1 and 2-KS2

We are very lucky at St Joseph's school to have the opportunity to learn a wide range of musical instruments, including piano, violin, guitar, ukulele, drums, flute, clarinet, saxophone, cornet and singing.

Learning a musical instrument or singing provides opportunities for children to widen their education while developing a skill that can improve well-being. **If you have any questions or would like your child to learn a new instrument please email the school office for the attention of Mrs Page (Music Lead).**

## AFTERSCHOOL CLUB news

For any ASClub queries, please contact either Sue Geary or myself (Mrs Jo Fenton-Stretton) e mail:

After.School@Staff.St-Josephs.N-Somerset.Sch.Uk

We currently have spaces on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.

## School meals

Our new school meals are really yummy!! Please have a look at the menu on the web site and if your child would like to try school meals for a change then give it a go. Don't forget Foundation stage and Year 1 and 2 the meals are free. If you pay for the meal in KS2 they cost £2.30 and can be paid for on parent pay.

If you have any issues accessing your parent pay account, please let the school office know.

## PTFA

Every Friday until the end of term there will be an ice lolly sale (50p no change) outside the staff room.

There will be a second hand uniform sale before the end of term.

## Cake of the week

This is a really fun way to make some money for the PTFA please enter the weekly draw. £1.00 per entry.

[https://www.paypal.com/pools/c/8sOJY5POTo?fbclid=IwAR2ww0EiSmNxgjkzOneiclaMjIMKvd1\\_kqxClqJJuNUp4Gq4rCkCpX0Z4n4](https://www.paypal.com/pools/c/8sOJY5POTo?fbclid=IwAR2ww0EiSmNxgjkzOneiclaMjIMKvd1_kqxClqJJuNUp4Gq4rCkCpX0Z4n4)

**Thank you to Daley Bakes for this week's cake. This week's winner was Alexandra in Year 1.**

### **TT Rockstars Day - Monday 12th July 2021**

We are going to have a maths day on Monday 12th July. Children are invited to come dressed as a rockstar or wear numbers. Children will participate in maths games, challenges and learn about the history of maths! A reminder will be sent out a week before.

Mrs Matravers

### **World wellbeing week**

Please see the attached flyer. We have some lovely wooden animals on sale all next week for £2.00.

The lunch bowl network is raising funds to feed nutritious meals for children in Kenya.

Thank you to Anna Kate Fuller (Our French Teacher) for being part of this organization and bringing it to our attention. Please bring your £2.00 in next week.

### **Community news**

Please see the attached flyer for the Cludo summer club.

God Bless, Mr Bath & Mrs Jackson