Term 4 25th February—5th April 2019

Newsletter

Dear Parents & Carers,

Once again the Year 4 pupils wrote the script for their Easter play this year and, once again, they have exceeded expectation with a confident and moving presentation of the Easter story. The music that was chosen this year was simply beautiful and has inspired us all over the past weeks as we have heard the children practising. I would like to thank Ms Wortley and Miss Balcombe and their teams for all their hard work and for bringing out the musical and acting talents in our children.

You should also have received a copy of the St Joseph's termly newspaper which contains information about many of the activities and experiences that the children have had since Christmas. Again, this is written and produced by the children themselves and we are sure you will enjoy reading it.

Please do take the time to read through all of the housekeeping sections in the newsletter. We will be busy with some real housekeeping on Saturday 27th April when we hold our annual Big Spring Clean Day here at St Joseph's. I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible as we spruce up our outdoor areas in preparation for the summer.

We have included the times of the Easter Masses and Services in the Parish of St Joseph's and St John's and I would urge you please to observe Holy Week with your children and to experience the Easter story with them in the beautiful liturgy of the Triduum.

On behalf of my colleagues and the Academy Committee members I would like to wish you all a happy and holy Easter.

Yours sincerely,

Clare Smith

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



DATES FOR THE DIARY

April

Tue 23rd at 8.45—Term 5 starts
Sat 27th—Big Spring Clean

May

Mon 6th—May Day Holiday

Wed 8th May—Year 5 visit Sky Studios

Thur 9th—Vision screening—Reception

Mon 13th—SATS week

Tue 21st—Class photographs

Tue 21st—Year 6 visit Pizza Express

Fri 24th—End of Term 5

June

Mon 3rd—Start of Term 6

Mon 3rd to Wed 5th —Year 6 Residential trip

Fri 14th—Father's Day lunch

Sat 22nd at 10.00a.m—First Holy Communion

Tue 25th—Year 5 science challenge at BGN

Fri 28th—Summer Fete

July

Fri 5th—Sports Day

Tue 16th at 1.30—UKS2 Performance

Wed 17th at 6.30—UKS2 Performance

Thu 18th—Leavers Mass

Fri 19th—End of Term 6

Next term we are encouraging the children to be curious and active in their learning because we believe that if we nurture curiosity in our pupils and engage them actively in their learning, they will become lifelong learners who are tolerant and respectful of difference and diversity.

Attendance and Punctuality

Attendance for Term 4

Term 4 Overall Attendance	96.14
Number of lates	119
Reception	95.97
Year 1	95.17
Year 2	98.50
Year 3	94.67
Year 4	96.39
Year 5	97.87
Year 6	94.42

Payment of school meals

As you are aware school dinners **MUST** be paid for in advance of meals being taken. After the Easter break the system will be changing, therefore any outstanding dinner monies need to be paid in full before our return to school for the summer term.

If you want your child to have a meal it must be paid for by the beginning of the week.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the school office.







We have now been using our new communication system, ParentMail, for over a month and in that time 79% of families have set up an account and 41% have the mobile App. We are very pleased with this but our aim is to have 100% of families with an account and over 70% using the App by

the end of next term. Simply follow the link on the initial welcome email from ParentMail and set up an account.

Using the App means the school can stop sending text messages, you will receive messages instantly and you will not miss any communication.



Easter Liturgy Times 2019

St John the Evangelist

Maundy Thurs - 18th April 7.30 p.m. - *Mass of the Lord's Supper*

Good Friday - 19th April 3.00 p.m. - Passion and death of the Lord

Holy Saturday - 20th April 9.00 p.m. - Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday - 21st April 8.45 a.m. - Mass

11.15 a.m—Mass

St Joseph the Worker

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Easter Sunday 21st April 8.30 a.m. - Mass at St Thomas's, Wroxton 10.00 a.m. - Mass