

# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Hill Top, Hednesford, Cannock, Staffs., WS12 1DE

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Dear Parents

## "What Outstanding Work" Assembly

We congratulate the following children recognised for their outstanding work this week. Please see the school website under latest news.



Reception	Liam	Isla
Class 1	Ryan	Amelia
Class 2	Jake	Rex
Class 3	Megan	Callie
Class 4	Autumn	Kian
Class 5	Alice C	Jessie
Class 6	Tom	Isabelle

# Parish Links

# Confirmation - Y6

Confirmation will be conferred by Bishop Stephen on

Wednesday 30th June 2020. Further information will be shared later.

## First Holy Communion - Y3 & Y4

First Holy Communion will take place on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2021. For year 3 children 10am-11am and for year 4 children 12pm - 1pm. Further details will be sent in due course.

#### Farlea Childcare

For those children currently accessing Farlea Childcare we ask that parents escort their child to the entrance and take extra care due to the building work currently taking place.

## Nursery Class - September intake

Applications for admission to nursery in September are now open. If you would like to apply for a place in our nursery, please complete an application form and return to school by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021. Application forms are available on the school website or direct from the school office. Any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact us on office@st-josephshednesford.staffs.sch.uk

## School Photographer

Class photographs have been re-arranged; the school photographer will now be in school on Tuesday  $4^{th}$  May.

## Long Hair

A reminder that any long hair, shoulder length or longer, should be tied back for school.

#### PE

A reminder that ear-rings should be removed for PE. We recommend that ear-rings are not worn to school on PE days. Thank you

#### Father Hudson's

We thank parents and children for their support to help raise funds for our Lenten charity. To date we have raised over £1000. Please continue to send in sponsor money to school if you haven't already.

## Easter Holidays

Please continue to report any positive cases of COVID to school over the Easter holidays by emailing <a href="mailto:office@st-josephs-hednesford.staffs.sch.uk">office@st-josephs-hednesford.staffs.sch.uk</a>
This will enable school to advise any close contacts of the need to self-isolate.
Thank you

## NHS Test and Trace

It has recently been announced, that all adults in households with school age children without symptoms can now access regular rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing. This includes childcare and support bubbles.

Test kits can either be collected or ordered online, as set out below.

Undertaking regular, rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing helps reduce transmission of the virus.

Tests are fast, easy and completely free. There are <u>different ways</u> for a household, childcare or support bubble to collect their test to take at home, twice-weekly:

- through your employer, if they offer testing to employees
- by collecting a home test kit from a local test site anyone aged 18 or
   over can collect 2 packs of 7 tests
- by ordering a home test kit online please do not order online if you can access testing through other routes, this frees up home delivery for those who need it most

If you have any queries about the tests, and you live in England, please call 119 (free from mobiles and landlines). Lines are open every day from 7am to 11pm.

Children of primary school age (and below) without symptoms are not being asked to take a test.

Testing is voluntary, but strongly recommended to all who are eligible.

Alongside the vaccine, washing hands, wearing face coverings, and maintaining social distancing, rapid testing plays a vital role in reducing transmission rates.

Getting into the habit of regular testing as part of our everyday lives will help us all to play our part and do what we can to protect each other.