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School Mission Statement

'To inspire, to learn, to love with God'

This half term we are focusing on being;

Compassionate and Loving

Pupils are growing to be compassionate towards others, near and far, especially the less fortunate; and loving by their just actions and forgiving words.

What does this mean?

Catholic schools help their pupils grow by being compassionate and loving in the way pupils are treated, especially when a pupil is in trouble; and by opening pupils' eyes to those who suffer poverty, injustice or violence.

28th May 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

This has been a fantastic half term- well done to our wonderful staff and children. It has been settled and consistent and feels like we are heading back to normality. First and foremost, our children are happy, settled and doing a great job with their learning in class. It has been a delight to see the children enjoying their learning - and to see some of the quality of their written work.

I hope you have enjoyed sharing in the children's achievements by following our school Facebook page.

We look forward to the Governments announcement on 21^{st} June and hope we can move forward in planning our summer term events.

There are things you still need to do to help reduce the risk of you and anyone you live with getting ill with COVID-19:

- · wash your hands with soap and water often do this for at least 20 seconds
- · use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- · wash your hands as soon as you get home
- \cdot cover your mouth & nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze \cdot put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards

This Sunday is the Feast of The Most Holy Trinity. Saint Patrick used a three-leaved shamrock to illustrate the mystery of the Trinity: it has three leaves but is just one plant. He did this to explain that in the one God, there are three divine persons: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. These three persons are bound together in love. We thank God for His love and for the love of our family and friends. Let us remember this quote from St Teresa of Calcutta (one of my favourites)

"Let us always meet each other with a smile, for the smile is the beginning of love." Please have a wonderful half term and keep safe. From talking to the children I know many of you are going on holiday and visiting family and friends. With cases creeping upwards, please adhere to the latest guidance- we still need to be very cautious about the risk of Covid-19, especially in light of the new variant. You have all done so well and we want all our children and families to keep safe.

We are incredibly lucky to have such talented staff and such amazing children at St Joseph's- you have all made me so proud this half term.

Wishing you all a happy half term - enjoy the sunshine!

Best wishes Mrs Corbett

"What Outstanding Work" Assembly

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

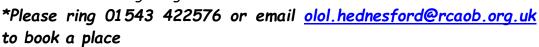


Reception	Phoebe	Alfie
Class 1	Dakota	Archie
Class 2	Neiva	Victoria
Class 3	Finley	Emily Mc
Class 4	Emily	Mikayla
Class 5	Jamie	Laicie
Class 6	Evie	Nathan

Parish Links

Masses to replace the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Hednesford

Sunday June 20th at 3pm - Celebrated by Bishop Stephen To be filmed and posted on line on Sunday July 4th to replace the normal Mass for the Diocesan Pilgrimage.





On Saturday 22nd May our Head Boy & Head Girl led the celebrations at the Diocesan Virtual Lourdes Pilgrimage with Archbishop Bernard.







PTFA Picnic

We hope that this will be able to take place on the afternoon of Friday 2nd July. Further details will be sent home nearer the time.

PE from September 2021

Throughout the pandemic children have been attending school in their PE kits on the days that they have PE/Dance or Games in school. This has been beneficial, as the children are not required to change their clothing in school and allows for extra time for their PE lesson. It is proposed that this will continue from September 2021.

We will be adding to our PE uniform from September and ask that in addition to the normal blue polo shirt and black shorts that a plain black tracksuit or black jogging bottoms are worn. Branded items will not be permitted – i.e. no Adidas/Nike or any logo/stripes. The black tracksuit zipped top will be available from our uniform suppliers shortly, as it will incorporate the school logo. Although this is an optional item from September 2021 (for children in years 1-6), it is hoped that all children will wear the school logo jacket from September 2022.

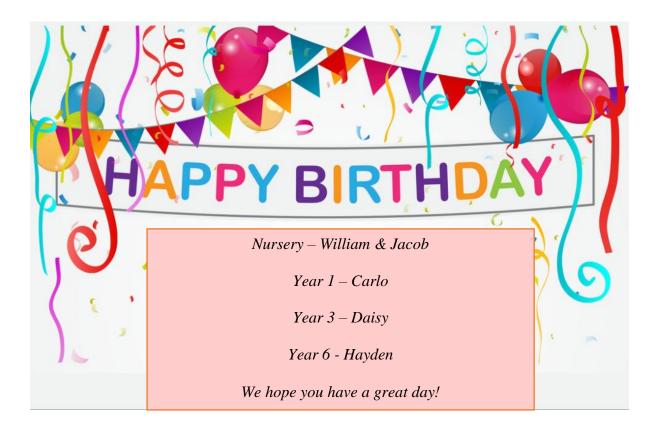
Positive Covid Cases

Please notify school until Monday 31st May of any positive cases of COVID. Email us at office@st-josephs-hednesford.staffs.sch.uk

Emails will be checked twice daily at 10am and 4pm. This will enable us to notify any close contacts that will need to self-isolate for 10 days. Thank you

Date	Activity	
Monday 31st May –Friday 4th June	Half term	
Monday 7 th June	Inset day – school closed	
Tuesday 8 th June	Multifaith week for all classes	
	Y6 Islam day	
	Mass: Year 3 (Corpus Christi)	
	First Holy Communion Meeting 6pm - virtual	
Wednesday 9th June	Hinduism Y3 am Y1 & 2 pm	
Thursday 10 th June	Sikhism Y5am	
	Judaism Y4 pm	
Friday 11 th June	WOW Assembly see school website "latest news"	
Monday 14 th June	Y6 to begin Memory book for Y6 Mass	
Tuesday 15 th June	PTFA Cake Sale – Year 4	
,	Confirmation Meeting 6pm - virtual	
Thursday 17 th June	New reception parents meeting 6pm –in hall	
Friday 18 th June	Multi-faith week assembly	
Tuesday 22 nd June	Mass: Year 2 (John the Baptist)	
	10am Y3 First Confessions	
	New Nursery Parents meeting 6pm in hall	
Thursday 24 th June	Year 6 Leavers Mass at St Mary's 11am	
Friday 25 th June	Year 4 topic assembly	
	Finance and school fund governor meeting 8am	
Monday 28th June	Reception class Sept 21 parents 1:1 meetings	
Wednesday 30 th June	Bishop Stephen visiting Year 6	
-	Confirmation Mass Our Lady of Lourdes 7pm	
Friday 2 nd July	PTFA Family Picnic	

Saturday 3 rd July	First Holy Communion Our Lady of Lourdes – Yr3 10-11am Yr4 12-1pm	
Monday 5 th July	Tempest photography in 9am– Yr3 & 4 FHC pictures & Y6 confirmation pictures Yr3 & 4 FHC parties – wear FHC clothes and bring party clothes	
Tuesday 6 th July	Mass: Year 1 SS Peter & Paul PTFA Cake Sale – Year 1	
Thursday 8 th July	Curriculum Gov meeting 8am	
Friday 9 th July	WOW assembly – see school website "latest news"	
Tuesday 13th July	Y6 dress rehearsal	
Wednesday 14th July	Year 6 play 2pm and 7pm TBC	
Thursday 15 th July	Sports Day Reports out to parents	
Friday 16 th July	Assembly - none	
Monday 19 th July	Transition Day-all classes	
Tuesday 20 th July	Leavers Mass - 9.15am	
Wednesday 21st July	Last Day school finishes at 3.15pm Leavers Assembly	
Thursday 22 nd July	Summer Holidays Start	
Thursday 2 nd September	Pupils return to school	



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