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Dear Parents and Carers.



You may have heard that it is National Thank You day on Sunday 4th July. We have so much to be thankful for at St Joseph's School. For our wonderful staff and children who have worked so hard during such an extraordinary year with significant disruption. To all the parents who have supported their children, our school and each other throughout this difficult time. You have worked tirelessly and selflessly to support each other. THANK YOU!

Unfortunately, I tested positive for COVID last week so have had to continue to self-isolate but I look forward to returning to school on Monday. I have missed the children's smiles each morning!

As COVID cases continue to rise in our area please follow the hands, face, space and fresh air advice.

Congratulations to our Y6 children who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Wednesday evening. It was wonderful to be able to go ahead with this special occasion and celebrate with the children, their families and some staff even though numbers were restricted. The children were absolutely wonderful - well done to you all. We pray that the children continue to grow further in their faith and will use the gifts of the Holy Spirit to enrich the lives of others.

A big thank you to Father Jeremy and Bishop Stephen Wright who celebrated the Sacrament with us and a special thank you also to Miss Smith, Mrs Malpass and school staff who worked so hard to make the occasion so memorable.

We keep in our prayers our Year 3 and Year 4 pupils who will be making their First Holy communion on Saturday. Year 3 and 4 have been working so hard this week on their final preparations for the day. We hope you enjoy your special day.

I look forward to celebrating with the children on Monday as Years 3, 4 and 6 have their special party day. We are all looking forward next week to our Euros themed picnic afternoon on Thursday. The children can come into school wearing their football kits/PE kits or sportswear. The kitchen will be offering a Euro themed picnic lunch of hot dog and chips or beef burger and chips. Your child will have brought home a sponsor form this week as they are all going to take part in a penalty shootout against their teacher! All monies raised will go towards PTFA funds. We will be providing ice-creams for the children. If your child

would like an ice-cream then please bring in £1 on the day. We regret that parents cannot attend the picnic this year but this will be a fun day for the children.

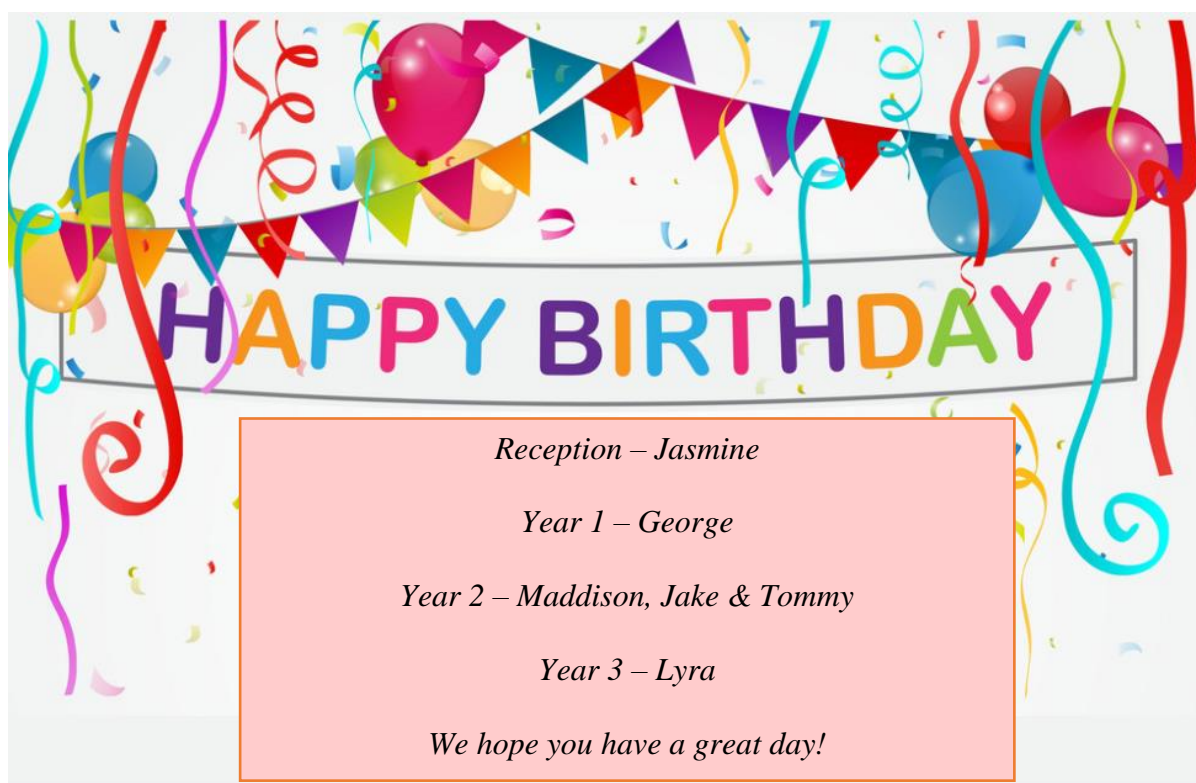
This week we celebrated the special Feast Day of two great saints, St Peter and St Paul. They were both friends of Jesus, but their lives were very different. The lives and mission of St Peter and St Paul inspire us to follow their example by reaching out to others around the world as brothers and sisters in God's Universal Family. We will continue to think about the lives of these saints during our Mass led by Year 1 next Tuesday.

St Peter and St Paul, pray for us.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend. On Saturday, I will be thinking especially about the children in Years 3 and 4 and their families as they celebrate their special day.

I do hope you all enjoy the football on Saturday!

Best wishes,  
Mrs B Corbett



*"To inspire, to learn, to love with God"*

