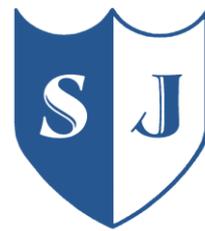


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April 2019

Dear Parents / Carers,



**God, whom we meet in bread and wine,
in body broken and blood outpoured,
fill us with your compassion,
that we may hear the cries of the hungry
and reach out to those in need.
Engender in us a thirst for justice,
that the hungry will be satisfied
and the rich sent empty away.
Roll away our apathy
that, with arms outstretched,
we may offer life in place of death
and hope in the face of despair.**

Amen.

The children have been taught how their small part in raising funds for others in need, is part of their service to help their neighbour as Jesus taught us.

Thank you for your generosity in supporting our fundraising efforts for CAFOD and the Good Shepherd appeal. This week each class will live out their faith to support others.

Safeguarding/ Mental Health and Well Being

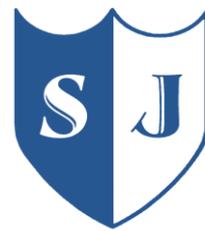
The CAMHS coffee morning was very informative, the nurses will continue to provide support in school in the summer term. The presentation shared is now on our school website if you were unable to attend.

Website

Please look at our school website for additional sites to visit on various internet safety issues. The website has a lot of information which is updated regularly.

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Attendance

As a school we have a high focus on attendance and again this year we will be supported by the local authority. Holidays during term time will not be authorised.

Dates for Assessments

YR6 SATS week dates: Monday May 13th all week.

Yr1/2 phonics week dates: Monday 10th June

Yr2 SATS to be completed by the end of May.

Book fair Character Day - Wednesday 9th April

For this special day to celebrate the love of reading, we are asking each child to dress as a character from their favourite book with a donation of £1 for CAFOD.

New uniform for September 2019

To continue to raise standards at St Joseph's a new uniform will be introduced in September. The changes are the removal of the red polo shirt and the introduction of a white shirt, school tie and V neck sweatshirt.

The other items of uniform such as the summer dress for the girls and PE uniform will remain the same. Please see our school website for details.

Events happening this week

Date	Time	Event
Tuesday 9 th April	9.30 am	Whole School Mass in School
Wednesday 10 th April	All Day	Book Character Dress up day fundraising event
Wednesday 10 th April	9.30 am	Dental Checks in school for the children in Reception and Yr1
Thursday 11 th April	9.30 am	Stations of the Cross in school
Friday 12 th April	9.15 am	Easter Bonnet Parade in the Hall (EYFS and KS1)
Friday 12 th April	11.00 am	KS2 Egg Diorama Display Competition
Friday 12 th April	1.30 pm	KS2 Music Concert in the Hall

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Easter Service Times at St Joseph's Church, Darlaston.

Maundy Thursday 18 th April	Good Friday 19 th April		Easter Weekend 20 th /21 st April	
Mass of the Lords Supper	Way of the Cross	Celebration of the Lord's Passion	Easter Vigil	Easter Sunday
7.30 pm	11.00 am	St Mary's Only 3.00 pm	6.00 pm	9.00 am

We say farewell to Miss pace and Mr Cope, who leave at the end of term, we wish them all the very best for the future. Ms Clarke will be the teacher in Yr3 and has been working with the children to ensure a smooth transition.

Staff and governors wish all our families a happy and holy Easter.

The new term begins on Monday 29th April.

God bless

Mrs Hinton

Head Teacher