



*Catholic Academy*

**The**  
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**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024**



# A message from Mrs Hamilton

As we reach the end of the Spring Term, I would like to say a huge thank you to all of our families for the support that you have given to your children's learning this term. It is a pleasure to see the learning and progress which the children are making thanks to the hard work of themselves, their families and their teachers.

When we return after Easter, the Summer Term will begin. This is the children's final full term in their current class and it is essential that they attend school every day that they are well enough to do so, work hard at school and complete their reading, spelling and daily Maths at home so that they achieve the very best that they can.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yoeKlaSpXqs>



Today we say goodbye and good luck to Miss Clarke. Miss Clarke joined the St Joseph's team in 2020 and has worked in many different classes, teaching lots of different children over the last four years. We are sorry to see Miss Clarke go but wish her lots of luck for the future.

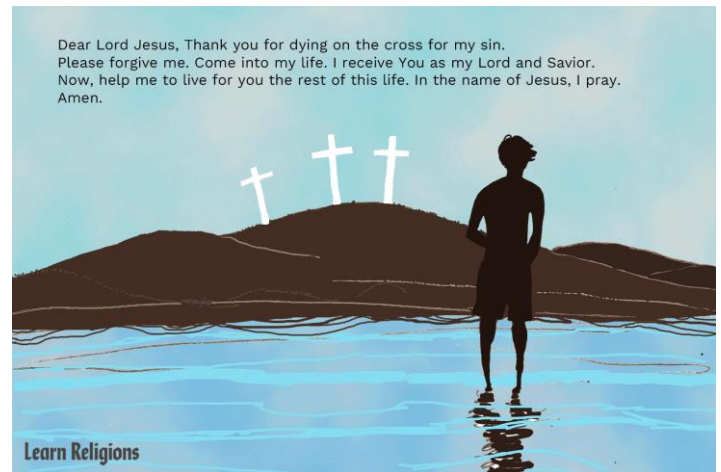
We welcome Mrs Pitchers to St Joseph's after Easter; she will teach Year Four until the end of this academic year. I know that you will make her very welcome.

# Catholic Life

This half term, our focus has been on preparing to celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus at Easter. KS1 and KS2 have led us beautifully in our preparations by leading Lenten liturgies. Through their reading, drama and prayer, they have helped us to reflect on Jesus' journey with the cross.

Thank you children for your thought provoking, reverent liturgies.

Our Lenten preparations concluded with an outstanding performance of "Born for This" by Year Five and Year Six.



# Holy Week and Easter Masses

<b>Saturday 23rd</b> Lent Feria			5.30pm	Holy Mass of Palm Sunday	Tom Nixon
<b>Sunday 24th</b> <b>PALM SUNDAY</b>	9.00am	11.00am	7.00pm	Blessing of Palms & Holy Mass Blessing of Palms & Holy Mass Holy Week Retreat Day 1	John Hodgkinson Thomas & Joan Wareham
<b>Monday 25th</b> Holy Monday			6.00pm 6.30pm 7.00pm	Holy Mass Stations of the Cross Holy Week Retreat Day 2	Mary Jervis
<b>Tuesday 26th</b> Holy Tuesday			6.00pm 6.30pm 7.00pm	Holy Mass Stations of the Cross Holy Week Retreat Day 3	Anne Goodman
<b>Wednesday 27th</b> Spy Wednesday		1.30pm	6.00pm 6.30pm 7.00pm	Funeral Service Holy Mass Stations of the Cross Holy Week Retreat Day 4	Susan Nixon RIP Jean Green
<b>Thursday 28th</b> <b>MAUNDY THURSDAY</b>	11.30am 7.30pm 10.00pm			Public Stations of the Cross <b>Mass of the Lord's Supper</b> Gethsemane Holy Hour	People of the Parish
<b>Friday 29th</b> <b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>	6.00pm	12noon 3.00pm		Family Stations of the Cross <b>Liturgy of the Passion</b> Liturgy of the Passion	
<b>Saturday 30th</b> <b>HOLY SATURDAY</b>		7.30pm		<b>Easter Vigil Mass</b>	Frank Smithson
<b>Sunday 31st</b> <b>EASTER SUNDAY</b>	9.00am	11.00am		<b>Holy Mass</b> <b>Holy Mass</b>	Bernard & Amanda Dale Winifred Maughan

## Times Table Rock Stars

On Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April, we will be celebrating the fun of times tables and encouraging children to use Times Table Rock Stars at home to practise their Times Tables.

Children may – if they wish – come to school dressed as a rock star or wearing rock star accessories that day.



## Award Winners

WOW Award	
Nursery	All Nursery Children
Reception	Zahra Mehdi
Year One	Ava-Jade Myatt
Year Two	Maybel Don
Year Three	Uju Ijeh
Year Four	Chase Sowerbutts
Year Five	Lilly Green
Year Six	Lucy Shaw

Virtues Award – Faith Filled and Hopeful	
Nursery	Aria Daley
Reception	Sienna Davis
Year One	Delilah Lawton
Year Two	Cody SZ-Balla
Year Three	Marni Davison
Year Four	Chace Sowerbutts
Year Five	Lilly Green
Year Six	Tia Bailey

## Award Winners

Presentation	
Nursery	Indie-Grace Grocott
Reception	Kaila Smedley
Year One	Abram Bittu
Year Two	Filip Prokopiuk
Year Three	Harri Hargreaves
Year Four	Lacey-Mai Booth
Year Five	Nicola Kumosz
Year Six	Seth Madanha

Homework Hero	
Nursery	Kenzie Whittingham
Reception	Ava-Rae Quelch

100 Dojo Awards	
Caleb Jenkinson	Bella Hopwood
Mylo Moran	George Bourne
Olaf Alaj	Spencer Smith
Amira Mahmood	

75 Dojo Awards	
Raina Mahmood	George Bourne
Harley Evans	Emily Callan
Ada Brzozowski	

# Attendance

Congratulations to  
Year 1  
who have the best  
attendance this week  
97.6%

A polite reminder that children who are ill with vomiting or diarrhoea MUST stay off school for 48 hours after the last episode. Many thanks for your support in this matter.

This year, our attendance reward trip to Drayton Manor will be for any children who have 100% attendance. The class with the best attendance will have a treat of their choice in school.



As you know, we are only able to authorise a Leave of Absence in term time in the most exceptional circumstances and some requests will result in a referral to the Education Welfare Service for a Penalty Warning.

Our 2025 – 2026 term dates are now available on our website. Please do check these before booking any holidays:

# Diary dates

Next Term	
Friday 22.3.24	School closes for the Easter holidays
Monday 8.4.24	School opens to staff and pupils
Wednesday 10.4.24	Times Table Rock Star Launch Day. Please see above for details.
Thursday 11.4.24	Year Five visit to Saint Margaret Ward for a PE lesson
Friday 12.4.24	Y2 visit to Gladstone Pottery Museum
Monday 15.4.24	Nursery Visit to Westport Lake City 7's Assembly
Tuesday 16.4.24	Year Five visit to Saint Margaret Ward for a PE lesson
Wednesday 17.4.24 2.30pm	Y3 Class Saint Liturgy. Y3 parents invited into the classroom to celebrate the feast of St Bernadette
Friday 19.4.24	Town Swimming Gala
Monday 22.4.24	Watch Me Learn. Parents invited to join their child in the classroom. Nursery, Reception, Y1, Y3 and Y5 9.45 - 10.45, Y2, Y4, Y6 10.45 - 11.45
Monday 22.4.24	Y5 rearranged Parents Evening



# Diary dates

Next Term	
Tuesday 23.4.24	Y4 visit to Imagine That Liverpool
Thursday 25.4.24	Y5 visit to SMW for a PE lesson
Friday 26.4.24	St George's day celebrations in school. Children in St George may come to school wearing their own clothes including something red
Monday 29.4.24	9.00am SEND Parent Coffee Morning
Monday 29.4.24	Fire Service rearranged visit to EYFS and KS1
Tuesday 30.4.24	Y5 visit to SMW for a PE lesson
Thursday 2.5.24	Nursery Class Visit to Manchester Airport Visitor Centre
Monday 6.5.24	Bank Holiday Monday School closed
Tuesday 7.5.24	Dentist visit to 5 year old children in Reception and Y1
Monday 13.5.24 – Thursday 16.5.24	Y6 SATs tests
Monday 20.5.24 – Friday 24.5.24	Y6 residential trip to Stanley Head
Friday 24.5.24	School closes for Half Term
Monday 3.6.24	School opens

# Future Diary Dates

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June – Town Sports competition

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June - Class and Team Photos

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June – Y6 visit to Alton Towers

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2.15pm Nursery Class Inspire Workshop. Nursery parents invited into the classroom

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> - Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June - Change4Life Week

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June - Sports Day. 9.30 EYFS, 11.00 KS1, 1.00 KS2

Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June - First Holy Communion

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2.30pm Y4 Class Saint Liturgy. Y4 parents invited into the classroom to celebrate the feast of St Peter

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July - Summer Disco

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2.00pm - Y1 Inspire Workshop

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 6.00pm - Y6 Production

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July - Achievement Assembly

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 6.00pm - Y6 Presentation Evening, Meal and Disco

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2.15pm - Summer Concert

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July 9.30am Leavers Mass in Church

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Class Parties

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 9.00am Leavers Assembly, Toy Day, School closes