

ST JOSEPH'S NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 27TH MARCH 2026

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This Week's News

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we draw to a close of another term, I would like to thank all our school staff, governors and other volunteers for their continued support to the children here at St. Joseph's.

Today, we also gave thanks said farewell to Mrs Tolley who has dedicated 30 years of her life to supporting the children of St. Joseph's to develop and grow. This is an extraordinary milestone which not only has been recognised by Emmaus but also the Archdiocese of Birmingham through a special certificate of service signed on behalf of the Trustees. We wish Mrs Tolley every happiness, peace and good health as she embarks on the next phase in her life journey and thank her for all she has done for this school community.

The children haven been preparing for Holy Week in school too. Yesterday, the children in Years 4 to 6 were able to receive the Sacrament of Confession with Fr. George and we also marked the Stations of the Cross together led so well by our Mini Vinnies.

Details of the Masses over the Easter break can be found in this week's newsletter, which starts this coming weekend with Palm Sunday.

A reminder that we start the summer term on Monday 13th April at 8.30am. Children are encouraged to wear a costume which depicts a 'word' on this day as part of our yearly focus on reading and to mark 'National Scrabble Day.'

Wishing all our staff, children and families a very happy, holy and rested Easter break.

Take care and God bless.

Mr Carry
Principal



Celebration of the Word of God



This coming Sunday is known as Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord. It is the start of Holy Week. This is the week when the Church especially remembers Jesus' final days in Jerusalem. Palms will be handed out in Church in remembrance of the welcome and great praise that the people gave to Jesus when he entered the City.

Holy Week is a very special time: it includes Palm Sunday, the celebration of the Last Supper, the washing of feet, the agony in the garden, Jesus' arrest, the agony in the garden, crucifixion and his resurrection. resurrection. Everybody is invited to come and join with the Church this Sunday and receive a palm leaf, blessed by the priest, to take home.

Dear Lord Jesus, as Holy Week approaches, we thank you for giving your life for us, so that one day we too may know the joys of heaven. Amen.

Mass times at Sacred Heart over Holy Week and Easter are as follows:

Palm Sunday of the Passion of our Lord
8.30am (tea and coffee available in the parish hall after Mass), 10.30am and 6pm

Good Friday
12noon - Stations of the Cross
3pm - Good Friday Liturgy

Saturday
8pm - Vigil Mass of Easter

Sunday - Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord
8.30am - Holy Mass
10.30am - Holy Mass



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Thank You

MRS TOLLEY

Thank you for your dedication and hard work in
the last 30 years.
You will be missed!

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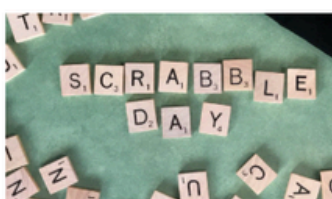
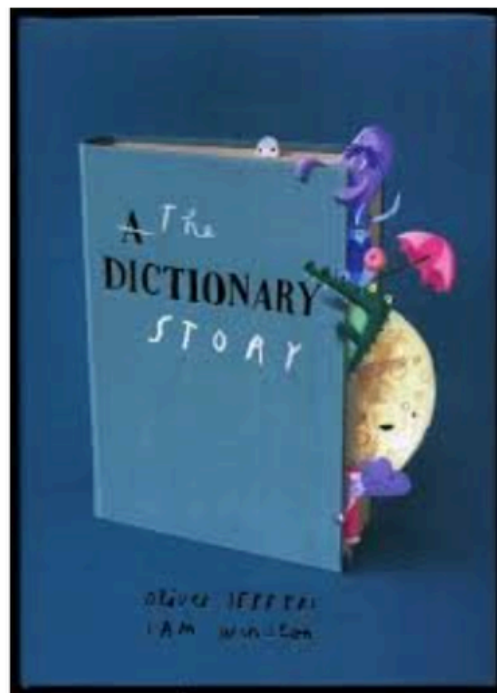
Dear Parents and Carers,

April 13th is National Scrabble Day & we would like to celebrate all things words on our first day back after the Easter break!!

- All children are welcome to come to school dressed up as a word
- All family members are welcome to come into classes during morning drop off to play word games 8.30 - 9am
- Children will parade the school grounds at 9am for parents and carers to see and celebrate the amazing dress ups!
- Lunchtime Scrabble and Bananagrams club will take place!

Many thanks for your support,

The St Joseph's Team



An incredibly special invite

Who: All children at St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Droitwich

What: An opportunity to express yourself as an individual

How:

- o In a collage, painting or drawing that represents you
- o A clip talking about something you are passionate about
- o A poem or a short piece of writing about something you believe in
- o A song, dance or special talent that you wish to share

When: To be handed in on, or before, the first Monday after the Easter Break (13th April)



A note for parents

Individual Liberty is one of the five British Values.

British Values are considered important in helping people who live in the U.K live a happy, healthy and safe life.

Please send any videos or images to the school office. Any physical items, children can bring straight to me.

We will celebrate all of your wonderful work once we return after Easter. More details to follow!

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Easter Crafts



Droitwich Spa Heritage Centre

Make your own:

- Easter Card
- Bookmarks
- Easter colouring sheet.

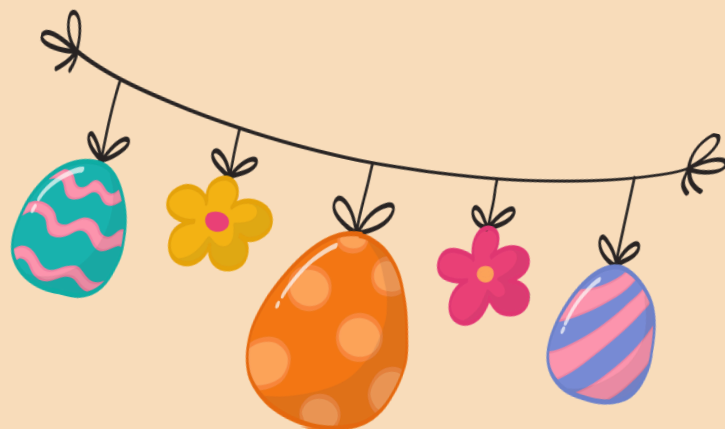
Mon 31st March-Thurs 2nd April
Wed 8th-Sat 10th April

Closed 3rd -7th April



Droitwich Spa Heritage Centre,
St Richards House, Droitwich Spa, WR9 8DS

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heritage@droitwichspa.gov.uk



EASTER EVENTS

28TH MARCH - 12TH APRIL

Lego® Club:

Every Saturday, 10:00 - 11:30am (Free & drop-in)

Rat-a-tat Tales:

Every Saturday & Sunday, 11am & 3pm (Free & drop-in)

Stay & Play Dad's Group:

Saturday 28th March, 10:30am - 12:00pm (Free & drop-in)

Little Sprouts:

Sunday 29th March, 1:30 - 2:30pm (Bookable: Tickets are £1.50)

Jigsaw Club:

Sunday 29th March & Sunday 12th April, 10am - 12pm (Free & drop-in)

Make & Take Easter Animal Puppets:

Monday 30th March, 10 - 11am & 11am - 12pm (Bookable: Tickets are £1)

Earth Day:

Tuesday 31st March

Wacky Wednesday:

Every Wednesday, 13:30 - 3:00pm (Free & drop-in)

Family Film:

Wednesday 1st April & 8th April, 10am - 12pm & 1 - 3pm (Free & drop-in)

Junk Modelling:

Thursday 2nd April & 9th April, 10am - 12pm (Free & drop-in)

Story Carousel:

Thursday 2nd April & 9th April, 2 - 3pm (Free & drop-in)

STEM Club:

Sunday 12th April, 1:30 - 2:30pm (Bookable: Free)



Easter Events

TheHive

University of Worcester

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Nicol & Co EASTER EGG HUNT

Droitwich Lido Park
Starting from the Cricket Club



GOOD FRIDAY
10AM-3PM



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DROITWICH ACTIVE WELLBEING WEEK!

Monday 30th March to Thursday 2nd April 2026
Enjoy Our Free Events - Booking Required for Selected Activities!

Monday 30th March



Easter Egg Hunt (booking required) - scour Lido Park for prizes and treats. Children must be accompanied by an adult.
Location: Droitwich Lido Park
(meet at the bandstand) - 10:00 - 11:15

Drink and Doodle - bring whatever project you're working on and make friends - hosted by Droitwich Arts Network.
Location: Droitwich Library, WR9 8DQ - 13:00 - 15:00

Book Here



Tuesday 31st March



Bicycle Repair Hub - bring your bikes for checks, minor repairs and security marking.
Kids Kitchen - interactive cooking sessions for young children and their parents.
Location: Rotary House, WR9 7BD - 10:30 - 12:30 (both events)

Wednesday 1st April



Brompton Buddy Rides - a fun, short, social and traffic free ride with a member of our staff. One person at a time (we will provide the Brompton.. and a free hot drink!).
Location: Droitwich Library, WR9 8DQ - 10:00 - 12:00

Droitwich History Walk (12 pax) - a guided historical walk through Droitwich exploring the town's rich heritage, famous salt history, and notable landmarks.
Location: Droitwich Heritage Centre, WR9 8DS - 11:00 - 12:30

Thursday 2nd April

Led Walk + Arts and Crafts (booking required) - a family walk for adults and children to enjoy a nature walk and be creative.
Location: Meet outside Westlands Community Centre, WR9 9BF 10:00 - 11:30



Pal Fitness Education CIC will also be hosting **HAF Easter Camps** in Droitwich. Visit their website or HAF Worcestershire to book a spot!

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MULTI SPORTS ACTIVITY CAMPS

RB Holiday Camps combine Sports, Arts & Crafts and Team Games to provide children with the opportunity to stay physically active, build friendships and most importantly, have fun during every school holiday.

30th March - 2nd April 2026
7th - 10th April 2026

Venues:

- ✓ Hurst Green Primary (Halesowen)
- ✓ St Josephs Catholic Primary (Stourbridge)
- ✓ St Catherine's CofE Primary (Kidderminster)
- ✓ St Josephs Catholic Primary (Droitwich)

Theme Days:

Army (01/04/26)
Disney (08/04/26)

rbholidaycamps.co.uk 0121 695 1394 info@rbholidaycamps.co.uk



Camp Pricing

Timings	4 Day Early Booking Offer *	Standard Prices
Long Day 8am - 6pm	£144	Day - £40 Week - £160
School Day 9:30am - 6:00pm	£108	Day - £30 Week - £120
Half Day ** 8am - 12pm 12:30pm - 4:30pm	£81	Day - £22.50 Week - £90
Half Day ** 9am - 12pm 12:30pm - 3:30pm	£73.80	Day - £20.50 Week - £82

* Early Booking Offer expires Sunday 8th March 2026

** 4 year olds can only book half day Camps



Childcare Vouchers
Accepted



Save 10% when you
book early!

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UPCOMING DATES FOR THE DIARY

MARCH

SUNDAY 29TH MARCH

Palm Sunday / British Summer Time Begins

FRIDAY 3RD APRIL

GOOD FRIDAY

SUNDAY 5TH APRIL

EASTER SUNDAY

MONDAY 13TH APRIL

SUMMER TERM BEGINS – GATES OPEN AT 8.30AM

**National Scrabble Day – children to dress-up in a costume
that depicts a word**

Year 4 Multi-sports Club with Mr Hughes (8am)

Year 3 Gymnastics Club with Mr Hughes (3pm)

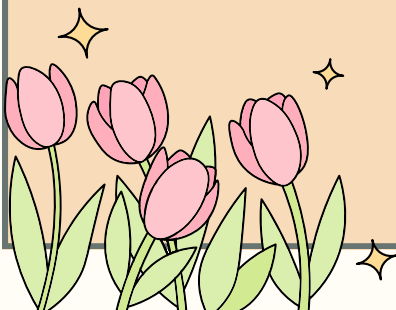
WEDNESDAY 15TH APRIL

Start of term Mass (10.30am) – all welcome

Local Governing Body Meeting (6pm)

FRIDAY 17TH APRIL

Balanceability programme for Reception begins



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