

ST JOSEPH'S NEWSLETTER

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This Week's News

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Our Year 6 children and staff have been preparing for the upcoming SATs assessments which are due to take place across all primary schools nationally from Monday 11th May.

Thank you also to Mr Davies from Worcestershire Cricket Foundation who delivered taster sessions to children across the school on Tuesday. Further information about how you can access further club links are detailed in this week's newsletter.

Our Year 4 children managed to go Bell Boating yesterday, enjoying the fantastic weather. Thank you to the staff and parents who accompanied the children. Thank you also to Mr Pottinger and his team for checking and maintaining over 20 bikes too. More details about the proposed Bike Bus are also in our newsletter - we do need parent helpers to support with this. Please let the school office know if you are interested.

Today we celebrate the feast of St. Joseph the Worker and consider who God is calling us to be. It has been wonderful to see the children dressed in their preferred vocation in the future.

Finally, we have a mini-break this weekend with the early May Bank Holiday. Our Year 3 First Holy Communion Commitment Mass is on Sunday morning at 10.30am at Sacred Heart Church - all are welcome to attend.

Enjoy the extra time with family and friends this weekend.

Mr Carry
Principal



Celebration of the Word of God



In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus begins to prepare his disciples for his departure from the world. Jesus is returning to his Father and will make a place ready for each of them in heaven.

Jesus tells the disciples to trust in him. No amount of worrying will increase their safety or comfort; it's through trusting in Jesus that they will find security and hope. We too are called to trust in Jesus. Through the Holy Spirit we carry on his work and are empowered to do even greater works.

This does not mean performing a series of great, flashy miracles. It means being Christ in the world around us, generously sharing the love he brings into our own lives with those we meet. This isn't easy - it never was - but trust in Jesus and see what happens!

We also pray for our Year 3 children who will be receiving the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion this term. All are welcome to the Commitment Mass on Sunday morning at 10.30am.

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Gifts of God Awards

	Discipleship Grateful & Generous	I Am a Clever Writer	Catholic Social Teaching Dignity of Work	Promoting Reading for Pleasure
Year 1	Lottie	Jlynn	Grace	Benjamin
Year 2	Olivia	Szymon	Chidinma	Abbie
Year 3	Jackson	Poppy	Olivia	Enzo
Year 4	Aliza	Pippa	Toby	Annabelle
Year 5	Dorian	Amelie	Ellie	Kaia
Year 6				

Weekly Attendance Trophy

Congratulations to **Year 1** for the best class attendance this week at **98.86!**

House Points Weekly Winner

Congratulations to **St. Cecilia** for gaining the most points this week.



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Dress up to celebrate 100 years!

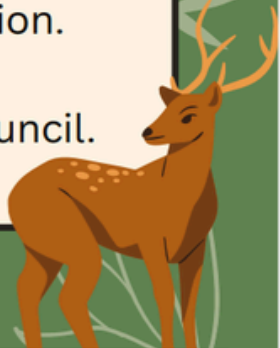


David Attenborough's 100th Birthday

On Wednesday 6th May we will be celebrating
David Attenborough's 100th birthday.

All children are welcome to dress as either an animal
or a habitat to celebrate this momentous occasion.

£1.00 donation for a charity chosen by school council.



We'd like to remind all parents and carers that when fundraising events take place in school, it's important that payments are made via Arbor. Fundraising plays a vital role in creating valuable opportunities for our school, while also helping children learn about the importance of giving back to others in their community. Thank you for your support.





Westlands Bike Repair Hub & Saturday Café

Community Centre, Meadow Walk, WR9 9BF
1st Saturday of the Month 10.30am - 2.30pm
(Except July)

Bring your Bikes for repair while enjoying a drink
and snack in our café

Bike repairs are free but donations welcome

- See our current recycled bikes for sale at affordable prices.
- We welcome donated bikes for recycling

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to share some exciting news with you! Starting this June, we will be launching a **Bike Bus supported by Droitwich Cycling, Walking and Wheeling for Year 5 and 6.**

A Bike Bus is a fun, safe, and active way for children to travel to school together by bike, accompanied by parents and adult volunteers along a planned route. The benefits of a Bike Bus are:

- ♥ Promoting well-being for children and parents 🧠 Boost focus and productivity
- 🌍 Cleaner air, safer streets 💰 Saves money 👥 Social and community spirited
- 🚦 Calm and traffic free routes 🚲 Free bike checks and repairs

To make this initiative a success, we are looking for enthusiastic **Bike Bus Leaders** to help map, guide and support the rides. Whether you can commit regularly or occasionally, your involvement would make a real difference.

If you are interested in becoming a Bike Bus Leader, we would love to hear from you. Please scan the QR code provided below and complete the short registration form.



Thank you for your continued support. We are excited to see our school community come together for this positive and engaging initiative!

If you have any queries or would like to buy a refurbished bike for a reasonable price, you're more than welcome to email us at: office@droitwichcyclinggroup.co.uk

Warm regards,

Droitwich Cycling, Walking and Wheeling



Studio 2

Julie Liggins

Fitness



Evening
Classes

Monday

6.15pm Powerhoop

7pm Zumba

8pm Combat & Tone

Tuesday

6.15pm Pilates

7.10pm Express Fitness

7.50pm Clubbercise

Wednesday

6.15pm Body Sculpt

7pm Boostfit

7.45pm Stretch & Release

Thursday

6.15pm Rockbox

7.15pm LBT

St Joseph's Catholic Primary
School Droitwich, WR9 0RY

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Only 1 in 5 children read every day and many grown-ups haven't opened a single book in the last year.

Reading is a vital, lifelong skill and the foundation for learning. We want Droitwich Spa to be recognised as a place that celebrates reading. You can be part of our story by taking the Droitwich Spa Reading Pledge. All you need to do is:

1. Host a book swap

Have a small, clearly labelled space for free book swaps – take a book, leave a book! Keep books tidy and refreshed regularly.

2. Offer comfortable seating

Provide a few inviting seats or a quiet corner where visitors can sit and enjoy a book or magazine.

3. Be welcoming to all

We promise to provide an accessible and welcoming space for everyone to pause, read, share, and connect through books.

Could your place be part of the story?

Contact Library Manager, Nicki, at NHitchcock1@worcestershires.gov.uk or **01905 844481** to take the pledge and we will send you a social media kit to demonstrate your support.

Once upon a time, a community joined together to promote reading...



As part of the National Year of Reading we're bringing people together to share the joy of reading. We're looking for businesses and community spaces to take the Droitwich Spa Reading Pledge by creating a dedicated reading space.



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All Stars Cricket provides a fantastic first experience for all children aged between 5-8 years old. They will have 8 weeks of jam-packed fun, activity and skills!

Dynamos Cricket provides a perfect introduction to Cricket for all 8-11 year olds! Dynamos is all about fun and provides children with a more social offer, focusing on the skills to play the game.

Find your nearest All Stars & Dynamos programme using the link below!



<https://ecb.clubspark.uk/AllStars/Search>



UPCOMING DATES FOR THE DIARY

MONDAYS

Year 4 Multi Sports Club at 8am

Year 3 Gymnastics Club at 3pm

Both breakfast and after school clubs are led by our Sport

Educator Mr Hughes

Places are still available for both activities. Please contact the school office for further information.

MONDAY 4TH MAY

Bank Holiday

TUESDAY 5TH MAY

First Holy Communion Parents' Meeting at Sacred Heart
(6.30pm)

WEDNESDAY 6TH MAY

David Attenborough's Birthday Celebration

Dress as an animal or habitat and donate £1 to the School

Council chosen charity

Reception Multi-skills festival at Westacre School

Year 5 – Museum Learning Workshop – Tudors

FRIDAY 8TH MAY

Victory in Europe Day

First Holy Communion Retreat

Reception Balance ability programme (sessions throughout the day)

W/C MONDAY 11TH MAY

Year 6 SATs Week – Monday to Thursday

Please pray for our children as they prepare to embark on their final assessments at primary school.

