

ST JOSEPH'S NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 8TH MAY 2026

SUMMER TERM

This Week's News

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has flown by with the Bank Holiday on Monday.

A teacher from the Wilder Schools Project (Worcestershire Wildlife Trust) came into school to work with the children in Year 3 on Tuesday afternoon and a visitor from Museum Living worked with Year 5 to support with their history topic on the Tudors.

Our Reception children also took part in a Multi-skills Festival at Westacre School on Wednesday as part of the local School Games offer to children. We also celebrated the 100th Birthday of Sir David Attenborough with a special day on Wednesday to mark this monumental event and was an opportunity for the children to explore and develop their understanding of the natural world around them. Thank you to Mrs Robinson for coordinating this event along with the teachers and support staff. The children looked wonderful dressed in different animals or habitats for the day!

Today, the children in Year 3 attended a retreat to help support them in their preparation to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion this term.

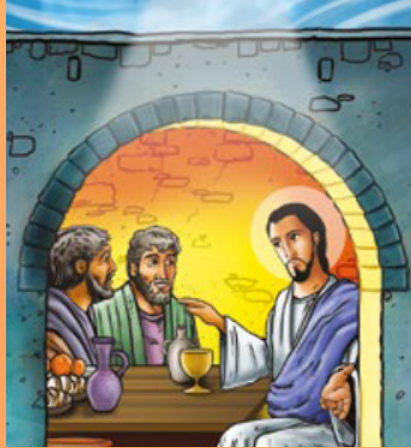
Finally, today marks 81 years to the end of the Second World War in Europe which we know as VE Day. We remember especially all those who died not only in this war but in all conflict around the world. We pray for peace in the Middle East and Ukraine and that leaders find a positive resolution instead of continued conflict.

Take care and God bless.

Mr Carry
Principal



Celebration of the Word of God



In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells the disciples that, when he returns to heaven, he will ask the Father to send the Holy Spirit to be their helper.

This is not just a historical event. The Holy Spirit is God's loving gift to every believer, helping us understand Jesus' words and reminding us that God is always close to us.

The Holy Spirit is our helper, who guides us to live more like Jesus – to grow in faith and to be filled with the peace and goodness that come from God.

*Dear Lord Jesus, please send your Holy Spirit into our lives to be our helper and to guide us, so that we can be a great help to those around us.
Amen.*

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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	Esme	Gwachim	Zara	Viza
Year 2	Chidinma	Jakob	Louie	Stesha
Year 3	Ojaswi	Olivia	Henry	Bertie
Year 4	Emily	Geroge B	Lydia	Jess
Year 5	Jacob	Imogen	Kaia	Mollie
Year 6	Aryanath	Jude	Sophie	Dexter

Weekly Attendance Trophy

Congratulations to **Year 1** for the best class attendance this week at **99.24!**

House Points Weekly Winner

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



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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

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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

The final sessions will take place on Monday 18th May.

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.

Children will be able to have a breakfast together between 8.30am and 9am each morning (Monday to Thursday).

Mental Health Awareness Week

THURSDAY 14TH MAY

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

w/c MONDAY 18TH MAY

Walk to School Week

Local Governing Body Meeting

TUESDAY 19TH MAY

Year 6 Learning Plans Review

(pupils with SEND plans) – appointments from 3.15pm

Year 3 Sacrament of Reconciliation

WEDNESDAY 20TH MAY

Early Years trip to Little Owls / Cultural Diversity Day

FRIDAY 22ND MAY

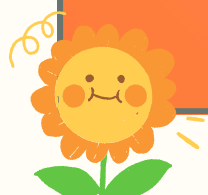
End of Summer term 1

SUNDAY 24TH MAY

Solemnity of Pentecost and Day of Prayer for the Church

MONDAY 1ST JUNE

START OF SUMMER TERM 2 – CHILDREN TO ARRIVE AT 8.30AM



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