THE ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM



ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you all had a happy, holy, and restful Easter! I'm looking forward to this term with the children. There is lots to look forward to! We have summer sporting events, end of year performances, and lots more.

Spring term was another successful one in Year One. The children have come a very long way since they first started in September and their improvements with their reading and writing have been amazing!

We have our Phonics check this term, thank you for all your continued support with reading at home.

P.E. will be on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Please could you ensure that your child brings their P.E. kit, which is black shorts, a white T-shirt and pumps or trainers. Swimming for this half term will be every Monday starting Monday 24^{th} April. Homework will be given out on a Friday which will be due back in on the following Thursday. Spellings will now be given out on Monday in class tested the following Monday.

As always, if there are any queries about anything, please do not hesitate to come and see us.

Yours faithfully,

Miss Bate and Miss Sibley

What are we learning about?

R.E.: Pentecost, Sharing Jesus' life, Following Jesus today. English: Recognising letter sounds. Blending for reading.

Building sentences, basic punctuation.

Author study and poetry

Maths: Place Value, Addition and Subtraction. Multiplication

and Measure

Science: Identifying Plants

ICT: programming and inputting information.

PE: Jumping, rackets and ball skills

Art: Andy Goldsworthy

DT: Eat more fruit and vegetables

Geography: Life in the City History: Intrepid explorers

Special days / Dates:

Friday 19th April- Year 1 Assembly 9:15am Tuesday 7th May: Year 1 Mass 9:15am

W/B 20th May- celebration of prayer and faith week 27th May- 31st May: Half Term
W/B 10th June- Phonics screening check week
Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th June RE focus parent workshop.

W/B- Ist July- Brilliant in Britain week

Tuesday 9th July- Year I Mass 9:15am

Friday 19th July- Children break up for the summer.

Values for Spring Term:

Eloquent and Truthful — before half term

The children are learning to be ELOQUENT in the way they speak about their faith, their love of God, and the way they speak about themselves, others and the world that God created.

They are learning to be TRUTHFUL and honest in all that they do, learning how to remain true to God's teachings even when this is very difficult to do.

Learned and Wise - after half term

Learned — Learning everything we can from Jesus' teachings — not just learning the stories but learning the meanings and morals of what Jesus teaches, and applying them to our daily lives.

Wise — Using everything we learn from Jesus to make right choices. Understanding that the right choice is often the hardest choice and knowing that Jesus' way is always the right way.