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Dear Parents/Carers,

Another Term has flashed by I can't quite believe we will soon be into the last term of this school year. The children, as usual have been very hard at work, particularly Year 2 and Year 6 who have been preparing for their SAT tests well done to all concerned. The children took part in the May procession yesterday it's always a lovely occasion and reminds us of all our mothers and the love they have given to us over the years.

### **YEAR 6 EVENTS**

Please see the school calendar for all events-however this is a very exciting term for our Year 6 leavers with lots of activities happening.

#### **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June - Year 6 business fair.**

Each child will be given £10.00 by the school on Monday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of June and they hope to turn that into a profit with your help. All children can come into school on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June with some pocket money (up to £5.00). There will be a separate e mail sent out nearer the time giving more details of the kinds of stalls that will be available. There is a competition to see who can make the biggest profit during the school day (3 prizes) and who has the most innovative idea. If there are any goodies left they will be sold after school but those profits won't be included in the competition. The proceeds of the event will be split between charities and the Year 6 leavers day out.

**Tuesday June 4<sup>th</sup> Forest Schools**

**Thursday June 13<sup>th</sup> Leavers mass Clifton Cathedral -11.00 am**

**Tuesday June 18<sup>th</sup> Business Fair**

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July St Bede's Transition day**

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July Year 6 school play 7.00pm\***

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July Gordano Transition day**

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July Leavers mass at school 9.00am\***

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July Year 6 trip- Mojo active**

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July Retreat day St Joseph's church-parents to drop off and pick up from church**

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July End of term mass\***

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July -Leavers lunch 12.15pm\* Leavers assembly-1.30pm\***

**\*Parents welcome**

WOW what a lot to get through!



***"Together we love, together we hope, together we learn."***



### **PTFA**

Thank you to the PTFA for organising the Quiz night, book fair and spring hampers. The next big event in the school calendar will be the summer fair on **Saturday June 29<sup>th</sup> from 12 - 4pm** (set up time from 10am). There are lots of people working behind the scenes so that this will be a fun and exciting event. Please come along to the next PTFA meeting **at 7.30pm on Monday the 3rd of June** at the Albion PH. There will also be a meeting after school on **Thursday the 6<sup>th</sup> of June**, there will be a crèche available, your help really counts. Cake of the week will continue on Fridays.

Please see the notice board outside the main entrance for PTFA information.

**PLEASE SUPPORT THE PTFA THEY DO SO MUCH FOR THE CHILDREN IN OUR SCHOOL**

### **Fund raising at St Joseph's**

The children raised a massive £1,256.00 for the annual swimathan- some of that will be coming back to the school and the rest to good causes. Thank you to Mrs Ravens for organizing and all the families that took part.

### **EPR(Education for personal relationships) consultation**

As you have probably heard the Government has given schools information about what we should teach children about Education and Personal relationships (including Sex Education). I would like to invite you to a meeting on **Tuesday the 11<sup>th</sup> of June** after school at 3pm (there will be a creche) to discuss what these changes mean for St Joseph's school. I would also like to reassure everyone that our current EPR policy (on the web site) already covers most of the proposals and our Journey in Love teaching tool goes over and above what is recommended for children in Primary schools. Please see the attached information sheet about the Government proposals. Journey in Love can also be found on the school web site so you can be prepared for any questions your children might have in Term 6.

### **Safeguarding**

Click on the link below with regards information about the latest call of duty, Black ops 4- remember that this is an 18+ game!

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/resources/wake-up-wednesday/call-of-duty/>

### **Topaz – Child/Adult Exploitation Team**

This week we have launched a form on our website for partners providing information about a suspected vulnerable or exploited person. This form was developed with support from all our partner agencies to make sharing intelligence easier and more effective. With proper use, we hope this form will help to tackle crimes involving vulnerable people including modern slavery, child sexual, criminal exploitation and county lines.

Anyone who believes a child or adult is vulnerable or being exploited can use this form to provide intelligence or information that they think Avon and Somerset Police should be aware of. If you've witnessed something that could be relevant to exploitation do not ignore it, report it. Intelligence submitted via this form could include a variety of points such as; information about a concerning incident, suspicious activity, an unusual exchange between two or more people or something that makes you feel uncomfortable.

You can access the form here <https://forms.avonandsomerset.police.uk/forms/vul>

**Phone:** 01278 644314 / Ext. 44314 / 07702 114211

**E-Mail:** [tanya.cooper@avonandsomerset.police.uk](mailto:tanya.cooper@avonandsomerset.police.uk)

**Mail:** Topaz, Bridgwater Police Centre, Bristol Rd, Bridgwater, TA6 4RR



## **Forest Schools**

Forest Schools will begin next term please check the school calendar for your child's trip date. Please ensure that you return the permission slip for your child prior to the date of their trip, we are unable to let children go without written permission. Even if the weather is warm on the day of your child's trip please ensure your child wears long sleeves and long trousers. Please also remember sun cream, sun hats and a waterproof coat! Please see the link below re Lyme disease.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/lyme-disease/>

## **Parent Governor Elections**

Richard Poole was elected as Parent Governor for a four year term. There were three good candidates who allowed their names to go forward. There was a good turnout and all candidates received a respectable number of votes.

Michael Flexman-Chair of Governors

## **Parent Questionnaires**

The deadline has closed for the above we had 8 returns.

## **Staffing for 2018-2019**

Please see below for staffing for the next academic year. Congratulations to Miss Johnson on her new job in the Reception class, she will be coming back to the area after 2 years of working in London. We look forward to welcoming her to our St Joseph's family.

**Reception: Miss Johnson**

**Year 1 : Mr Bath and Mrs Lane –Hall**

**Year 2: Mrs Matravers and Miss Joy**

**Year 3: Mr Donovan**

**Year 4: Mrs Hill**

**Year 5: Miss Laken**

**Year 6 : Mr Broyd**

## **Walk to school week**

Thank you to everyone that took part in walk to school week. I know that some of you thought walking across the field to the football club was a great idea and it gave your children an extra 'walk' boost. We will announce the winners at praise assembly on the first week back.

## **The Daily Mile**

During the first week back in Term 6 (June 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>) St Joseph's will be taking part in the 'The Daily Mile' competition. Every day each class will use our specially built track at school to run, walk or skip a mile. This is part of a competition run by Wesport. **On Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June** we will encourage children (and staff!) to dress up as a superhero for the day. We will run our mile dressed as a superhero and there will be a prize for the best dressed. As a school we will be taking some photographs which might win us a school visit from a sports star! Please make sure your child has the trainers from their PE kit in school this week.



## **Housekeeping**

- Unfortunately we do not have the room in KS1 to accommodate large backpacks. At the moment some children are bringing a massive backpack containing a reading book and reading record these things need to be in a book bag so they can fit into the book bag box. If children have an activity after school they can bring in a back pack and put it on their peg. In KS2 they can bring in their back packs as we have more room and teachers do not have to change individual reading books to the same extent.
- Can I remind parents re the uniform code and accessories-hair bands, ties and clips should be navy, gold or yellow. Earrings should be small studs and pupils should not be wearing nail polish to school
- Children should arrive into school by 8.20am in order to line up and be in school on time. I do understand, as a parent myself, that sometimes there are exceptional circumstances which can make us late. Unfortunately though it is the same children that are late on numerous occasions each week. Please allow yourself extra time if this is you, to ensure your child has a good attendance record.
- Please remember that the Albion Public house car park is a private car park for patrons only. The landlord is quite within his right to clamp any cars that are parked there and are not using the facilities

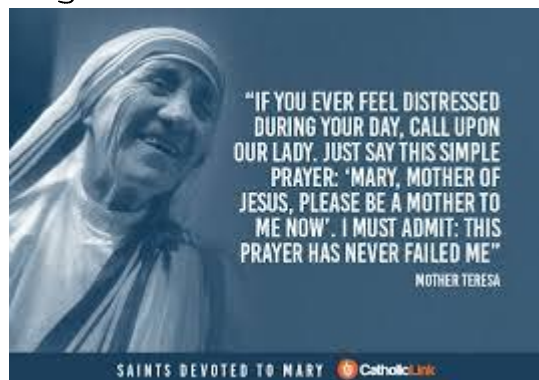
## **Community Events**

Cludo Club is a free children's holiday club run by Gordano Valley Church in the first full week of the summer holidays, based at Gordano School. It is for children \* from Reception to year 6. There is a wide range of activities around the theme of Pyramid Rock, using stories from the Bible. Art and craft, an outing to Ashton Court railway, drama, sports, music, games, dvds and more. As usual, places are limited to 240 and are allocated on a first come first served basis. Registration opens on Saturday 22nd June at 8.30am so just go to [www.gvc.org.uk](http://www.gvc.org.uk)

and follow the Cludo link on the home page... You will also find more information about Cludo Club and instructions for enrolling.

God Bless and have a restful and peaceful half term.

Mrs Jackson





**Please regularly check the school calendar on the website for school events and timings.**

**Term dates:**

**Term 6**

Monday 3rd June- Tuesday 19th July

Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd July are INSET DAYS. Last day for children Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July

## **2019-20 term dates**

The school year is 195 days and includes five in-service days used for staff training.

- term 1: Monday 2 September 2019 to Friday 25 October 2019
- term 2: Monday 4 November 2019 to Friday 20 December 2019
- term 3: Monday 6 January 2020 to Friday 14 February 2020
- term 4: Monday 24 February 2020 to Friday 3 April 2020
- term 5: Monday 20 April 2020 to Friday 22 May 2020
- term 6: Monday 1 June 2020 to Monday 20 July 2020

Foundation, trust, academy and voluntary aided schools set their own term dates and may differ from ours. Please check with the individual schools for their term dates.

**INSET DAYS**

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2020