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### Upcoming events

#### **Monday 24th April**

Mindful/Art Club Y5/Y6 lunchtime  
Y5 swimming pm

#### **Tuesday 25th April**

Digital maths/homework club  
lunchtime  
Digital Leaders lunchtime  
Eco Club lunchtime  
Little Movers after school  
Y6 SATS Booster after school

#### **Wednesday 26th April**

Family Learning in Church Hall  
1.00-3.00pm  
First Holy Communion for pupils  
3.30-4.30pm

#### **Thursday 27th April**

**POSSIBLE NEU STRIKE DAY**

#### **Friday 28th April**

SSOC OAA Challenge (4 pupils from  
Y6) am at Marine Park  
Reception visit to South Shields  
Museum 10.00am-1.00pm  
Y5 STEM Challenge Workshop in  
school pm  
Lost property table outside office  
3.00pm  
Girls Football 3.15-4.15pm

#### **Sunday 30th April**

First Holy Communion Special  
Liturgy 11.00am

#### **Monday 1st May**

**BANK HOLIDAY**

#### **Tuesday 2nd May**

**POSSIBLE NEU STRIKE DAY**

#### **Wednesday 3rd May**

Y6 SATS Breakfast 8.30am  
Y1 visit to Openzone all day  
Y2 Open Morning 9.00am

#### **Thursday 4th May**

Y5 Open Morning 9.00am  
Choir lunchtime  
School Council lunchtime

#### **Friday 5th May**

**Coronation Themed Day**

### Dear Parents and Carers

I hope that you had a lovely Easter break, and that the children let you have a few nibbles of their Easter eggs! I know I didn't get a look in in my house!

### New Staff

We welcome two new members of staff this term.

Year 3 welcomed Mrs Maria Lipscombe as their new class teacher this week. Mrs Lipscombe was previously Year 3 teacher at St Leonard's Primary in Sunderland, and has already been warmly welcomed into the St Joseph's family.

Miss Eleanor Dixon will start in Year 5 next week in the role of Classroom Assistant. Miss Dixon is beginning her Teacher Training at St Joseph's in September, and this is an ideal opportunity for her to get to know our school well.

I am sure you will warmly welcome both of our new members of staff.

### NEU Strike Action

You will have received an email today regarding the proposed NEU strike action over the next few weeks. The information shared can of course change as talks continue between unions and the Government. We will, of course, keep you updated.

### Nursery and Reception 2023

Information for our new to Nursery and Reception parents' meeting will be shared at the beginning of next week. We are currently updating our EYFS Proseptus' in readiness for the meetings. We have a few places in our Nursery for September, so if you know anyone who is looking for a place in a wonderful Nursery, please give them our details!

### Curriculum Documents

Curriculum documents identifying what your child will be learning this term have been shared today. This is a good opportunity to discuss this with your child, as well as giving you an understanding of what learning will be taking place in school.

### School Visits

We have planned a number of school visits over the Summer term, which enhance and support our curriculum. We always ask for a voluntary contribution for these visits. With an increasingly tight school budget, we rely on these contributions to make these visits happen. Without the contributions, unfortunately we will find organising these visits financially impossible.

All support given to us from parents is very much appreciated.

### Hoopstarz

The children (and staff) had a fantastic day learning how to hula hoop, as well as the many other games you can have with a hoop. The children have continued to develop their skills today with hoops out at break times.



Y3 Open Morning 9.00am  
 Y5 STEM Challenge Workshop in  
 school pm  
 Girls Football 3.15-4.15pm

**Coronation Themed Day**

To celebrate the coronation of King Charles, we are holding a ‘Coronation Themed Day’ on Friday 5th May. Pupils can come to school dressed in Red, White and Blue, and there will be themed events taking place during the day. This will include a whole school picnic on the field (weather permitting!). The kitchen have prepared a themed menu which you will find attached.

**Easy Fundraising**

Along with our many other fundraising events, we would like to invite you to join “easy fundraising”. You can collect free donations for us every time you buy something online via the Easy Fundraising website or app. It won’t cost you a penny extra, so please help us to raise funds. All it takes is for you to register with Easy Fundraising [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stjosephsprimaryplayground/](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stjosephsprimaryplayground/) or download the app or follow this link [Easy Fundraising](#). Then every time you shop, a pop up should appear if the shop is a member of Easy Fundraising. You then just click on the pop up to activate it and continue with your shopping as normal. Shop with over 3,300 online stores, including Amazon, Argos, ebay, John Lewis, H & M, Debenhams, Booking.com, Next, Sainsburys, Boden, Asos, Asda and many more.

**Dates for Term**

The dates for the rest of the school term are below. Any changes to the dates will, of course, be communicated with you as soon as possible.

Have a lovely weekend!

Take care,  
 Mr P Craig  
 Headteacher

Nursery Reception Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 Year 6

April	Monday 17th April	Mindful/Art Club for Y5/Y6 starts (Every Monday lunch)
		Y5 Swimming until 22nd May
	Tuesday 18th April	Digital Maths club (Every Tuesday lunch)
		Eco Council (Every Tuesday lunch)
		RE ambassadors (Every Tuesday lunch)
		Little Movers for Reception/KS1 3.15-4.15pm
		Y6 SATS Boosters until 2nd May
	Wednesday 19th April	Family Learning in Church Hall until 26th April
		Guitar Club (Every Wednesday lunch)
	Thursday 20th April	Hoopstars in school for all classes
		Choir (Every Thursday lunch)
		School Council (Every Thursday lunch)
	Friday 21st April	Stadium of Light visit for Y1 all day
		Girls Football CVL 12.30-3.00pm
		Y5 STEM Challenge workshop (Every Friday afternoon until 25th May)

	Monday 24th April	
	Tuesday 25th April	
	Wednesday 26th April	First Holy Communion Session 7 3.15-4.15pm
	Thursday 27th April	Possible NEU Strike Day
	Friday 28th April	South Shields Museum visit for Reception all day
		Girls Football 3.15-4.15pm
	Sunday 30th April	First Holy Communion Special Liturgy 11.00am
May	Monday 1st May	<b>BANK HOLIDAY</b>
	Tuesday 2nd May	Possible NEU Strike Day
	Wednesday 3rd May	Y6 SATS Breakfasts 8.30am until Friday 12th May
		Visit to OpenZone for Y1 all day
		Open Morning Y2 9.00-10.00am
	Thursday 4th May	Open Morning Y5 9.00-10.00am
	Friday 5th May	Open Morning Y3 9.00-10.00am
		Coronation Day (pupils to wear red, white and blue)
	Monday 8th May	<b>BANK HOLIDAY FOR KING'S CORONATION</b>
	Tuesday 9th May	Y6 GPS & Spelling SATS Papers am
		West Boldon Lodge visit for Y4 all day
		First Holy Communion Parents Meeting 7.00pm
	Wednesday 10th May	Y6 SATS Reading Paper am
	Thursday 11th May	Y6 SATS Maths Papers 1&2 am
		First Holy Communion Practice 3.30pm
	Friday 12th May	Y6 SATS Maths Paper 3 am
		First Holy Communion Practice 3.30pm
	Saturday 13th May	First Holy Communion 10.30am
	Monday 15th May	Reception Heights & Weights am
Tuesday 16th May	Open Morning Y1 9.00-10.00am	
	First Holy Communion May Procession (all Y4 pupils) at St Mary's Church 1.30pm	
Wednesday 17th May	Reception Stay and Play session 9.00-10.00am	
Thursday 18th May	Open Morning Y4 9.00-10.00am	
Friday 19th May	Break the Rules Day!!!	

	Monday 22nd May	KS1 SATS week
	Tuesday 23rd May	Newcastle University Trip for Y5 all day
	Wednesday 24th May	
	Thursday 25th May	Open Morning Y6 9.00-10.00am
	Friday 26th May	EYFS KS1 Gold Book Assembly 9.15am
	<b>Monday 29th May- Friday 2nd June Half Term</b>	
June	Monday 5th June	Washington Wildfowl Wetland Centre visit for Reception all day
		Y6 Swimming until 17th July
	Tuesday 6th June	Discovery Museum visit for Y4 all day
		Y1 Heights and Weights AM
	Wednesday 7th June	Road Safety session for Y6 am
		OAA Festival Y1 am TBC
		Learn to ride a bike sessions 3.30-4.30pm
	Thursday 8th June	Y2 Class Liturgy in school hall 9.05am
	Friday 9th June	Nursery Stay & Play Sessions 11.00-11.45 am and 2.30-3.15pm
		QuadKids Athletics Y6 all day
	Monday 12th June	KS1 Phonics Screening begins
	Tuesday 13th June	Discovery Museum Y5 all day
	Wednesday 14th June	Y3 class Mass 9.15am
	Thursday 15th June	
	Friday 16th June	St Joseph's Summer Fayre pm (Girl's football cancelled)
	Monday 19th June	Souter Lighthouse visit for Y1 all day
	Tuesday 20th June	Nursery Liturgy in school hall 9.05am
		KS1 Sports Day pm
		New to Nursery Parents meeting 5.00pm
	Wednesday 21st June	New to Reception Parents meeting 5.00pm
Thursday 22nd June	KS2 Sports Day pm	
Friday 23rd June	MFL Day!	
Monday 26th June	Newcastle Castle visit for Y2 all day	
	Y6 Bus Induction am	

	Tuesday 27th June	Alternative KS1 Sports Day pm
	Wednesday 28th June	First Holy Communion celebration event at St Paul's pm
	Thursday 29th June	Alternative KS2 Sports Day pm
	Friday 30th June	Y6 Youth Ministry Trust Primary Festival all day
July	Monday 3rd July	
	Tuesday 4th July	
	Wednesday 5th July	Big Sing performance at the SAGE for Y4 Choir pm
	Thursday 6th July	St Joseph's Talent Show 1.30pm
	Friday 7th July	INSET DAY
	Monday 10th July	
	Tuesday 11th July	South Tyneside Y6 Leavers' Mass at St James Church 10.45am
		SSOC Graduation Beach Day am
		EYFS Sports Day 1.15pm
	Wednesday 12th July	End of year reports sent out
	Thursday 13th July	Y6 Transition to Secondary Day
		Whole school 'Moving Up' Day
	Friday 14th July	Y6 Transition to Secondary Day
		Alternative EYFS Sports Day 1.15pm
	Monday 17th July	
	Tuesday 18th July	Sport Transition Day (10 pupils from Y6) am TBC
		KS2 Gold Book Assembly 2.00pm
	Wednesday 19th July	
	Thursday 20th July	Y6 Leavers' Mass 9.15am
Reception Graduation 2.00pm		
Friday 21st July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 9.15am	
	End of school year	

Summer holidays Monday 24th July - Friday 1st September  
Pupils return on Tuesday 5th September