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Upcoming events

Monday 12th June

Mindful Art Club Y5/6 lunchtime Swimming Y6 pm Lego Club after school 3.15-4.15pm

Tuesday 13th June

Y5 visit to Discovery Museum all

Digital maths/homework club lunchtime Eco Club lunchtime Little Movers after school

Wednesday 14th June

Y3 class Mass in Church 9.15am Learn to Ride a Bike 3.30-4.30pm

Thursday 15th June

Choir lunchtime School Council lunchtime Family Learning 1.00-3.00pm

Friday 16th June

Summer Fayre 1.00-3.00pm

Monday 19th June

Y1 visit to Souter Lighthouse all day Mindful/Art Club Y5/Y6 lunchtime pm Swimming (Y6) Lego Club after school 3.15-4.15pm

Tuesday 20th June

Nursery Liturgy in school hall
9.05am
Digital maths/homework club
lunchtime
Eco Club lunchtime
KS1 Sports Day pm
Little Movers after school
New to Nursery Parents meeting
5.00pm

Wednesday 21st June

Learn to Ride a Bike 3.30-4.30pm New to Reception Parents meeting 5.00pm

Thursday 22nd June

Choir lunchtime School Council lunchtime KS2 Sports Day pm

Friday 23rd June MFL Day! Girls Football 3.15-4.15pm

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back after half term. Only half a term to go and this year has, as usual, flown by! Despite many saying that we 'must be winding down', this half term promises to be another busy time! Dates for the half term are below. If you have any queries about these, please contact the school office.

Summer Fayre

Our annual Summer Fayre takes place next Friday afternoon. Information regarding the event has been shared by the Friends of St Joseph's and is available on our website <u>LINK</u>. A poster advertising the event is attached below. A letter regarding the collection of children is also available on the website <u>LINK</u>.

We sent a request for items for our raffle yesterday. If you can help us with this, it is greatly appreciated.

Thank you so much to our Friends volunteers who have organised this. It takes a significant amount of time and effort and is valued by everyone in the St Joseph's community. Thank you.

Class Mass/Liturgy

Our Y3 pupils will be leading a class Mass on Wednesday 14th June. This will be held in St Joseph's Church and starts at 9.15am. All members of our school community are invited.

Our Nursery children will be leading a class Liturgy on Tuesday 20th June in our school hall. This will start at 9.05 am (or as soon as the children walk over!). Again, all are invited.

We do ask that photographs are not taken during these services as they are a moment of faithful reflection.

Parent Governor

Unfortunately, we received no applications for the position of Parent Governor in our school. We understand that many will not be aware of what the role entails, so a quick clip has been made to explain this <u>LINK</u>. Information of the process has been shared today, and is available on our website here

Sports days

As long as the weather is good (and it promises to be), we will soon be holding our Sports Days for KS1 (Tuesday 20th June) and KS2 (Thursday 22nd June). All members of our community are invited to come along and support the children. As in previous years, pupils will be involved in team events, followed by the finals of the sprint events that have taken place during the week. We will also be holding some fun races for those who didn't qualify for the sprints. We may even have races for parents, as long as everyone promises not to fall over! Sports Days start at 1.00pm. Our EYFS Sports Days will take place on Tuesday 11th July. Unfortunately, we are unable to invite parents as we have previously found that children get more upset when they are being watched! We will take LOTS of photos and videos which we will share on Instagram, as well as making our usual EYFS Sports Day video!

Nursery/Reception places

Meetings for parents of 2023-24 Nursery and Reception pupils will take place in two weeks. Dates are below. We have had one place become available in reception as a prospective family are moving out of the area, so if you know someone who did not get a place in our reception class, please let them know. We also have a limited number of Nursery places (both 15 and 30 hours).

Lateness

We are noticing an increasing number of pupils arriving just after 9.00am. Please can parents of these pupils ensure their child is punctual for school. Not only does it create extra work for our office staff, it also embarrasses the child when they go into their class.

Poetry Competition

We have been asked to share this information with pupils.

POETRY CALL OUT - THE TERRY KELLY POETRY PRIZE 2023! 🥎

The Terry Kelly Poetry Prize commemorates the life of Shields Gazette journalist and poetry lover Terry Kelly, by encouraging poetic creativity from young people and offering them the chance to share their work

We would like to hear from children and young people who may not have had their voices heard before. We're especially interested in poems with something to say about the poets' lives, the people of the North East, and the region itself!
The Prize has three age categories:

- +11 and under
- **→**12-16
- **₹**17-25

Shortlisted poems will be listed in an anthology, and the chosen poets will be invited to an event The Customs House on Sunday 23rd July! More details to follow Flease send your:

Name, Age. Location (in the North East) and Poem to tkpoetryprize@gmail.com

Take care, Mr P Craig Headteacher



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

	Monday 12th June	KS1 Phonics Screening begins
		Y6 Swimming (every Monday until 17th July)
June		Lego club 3.15-4.15pm (every Monday until 10th July)
	Tuesday 13th June	Discovery Museum Y5 all day
		Digital Maths Club lunchtime (every Tuesday until 18th July)
		Little Movers 3.15-4.15pm (every Tuesday until 25th July)
	Wednesday 14th June	Y3 class Mass in Church 9.15am in Church
		Learn to ride a bike 3.30-4.30pm (every Wednesday until 21st June)

	Thursday 15th June	Choir (every Thursday until 20th July)
		Family Learning (every Thursday until 29th June)
	Friday 16th June	St Joseph's Summer Fayre 1.00-3.00pm (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
	Tuesday 27th June	Y6 Bus Induction am
		Alternative KS1 Sports Day pm
	Wednesday 28th June	Y5 Transition Day at St Joseph's
		First Holy Communion celebration event at St Paul's pm
	Thursday 29th June	Mass for Ss Peter & Paul 11.00am in Church
		Alternative KS2 Sports Day pm
	Friday 30th June	Y6 Youth Ministry Trust Primary Festival all day
	Monday 3rd July	
	Tuesday 4th July	Y3 visit to Discovery Museum
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	OAA Festival Y3 am
		Faith in Action Liturgy Y6 9.10am
	Tuesday 11th July	South Tyneside Y6 Leavers' Mass at St James Church 10.45am
		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
	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