



St. Mary's
Catholic Federation

Weekly Newsletter - Friday 30th April - Summer 1Term

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Safeguarding Statement: This school takes notice of and adheres to all the national and local policies and guidance in regard to Safeguarding Children and Young People.

Lead Safeguarding Person Junior School: Mrs. S Hulme Nursery & Infant School: Mrs. M Quinn.

Safeguarding Deputies: Mrs. S Hulme, Mrs H Nicholls, Miss F Sullivan & Miss E Bryant Safeguarding Governor: Mr. T Richmond

Happy Bank Holiday Weekend



Dear Parents and Carers,

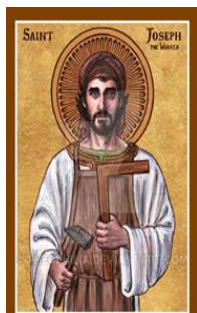
We continue to monitor the overall situation regarding COVID 19 infection in terms of the government guidance and the measures in place in school. We are asking for you all to continue to wear a face mask whilst on the school grounds although you may be outside. This is due to the close proximity of adults for safety reasons and respect for one another. The wearing of face coverings is getting tiresome for everyone but it's worth it to keep each one of us as safe as possible.

We are looking at the possibly of returning to pre COVID school hours soon (if we can remember what they were) but will continue to keep certain entrances operational for the moment. Further information will be sent about this soon.

Please be reassured that we are looking to re-introduce some of our annual events but we are acting cautiously in the interest of our community.

May we wish you all a sunny and happy long weekend

Spirituality Sunday 2nd May - 5th Sunday of Easter



This week we celebrate two important feast days in the Church's year.

St. Catherine of Siena on Thursday 29th April and St. Joseph the Worker on 1st May.

Pope Francis has declared this Church year to be the Year of St. Joseph. In his Apostolic Letter, [Patris corde](#) ("With a Father's Heart"), Pope Francis describes Saint Joseph as a beloved father, a tender and loving father, an obedient father, an accepting father; a father who is creatively courageous, a working father, a father in the shadows. Beginning in the Book of Genesis, human work has always been celebrated as a participation in God's creative work. In being steadfast in our daily labours, we answer God's command to care for the earth and to be productive. Saint Joseph is an excellent example of this. It is good to reflect that "...the Church considers it her task always to call attention to the dignity and rights of those who work, to condemn situations in which that dignity and those rights are violated, and to help to guide (social) changes so as to ensure authentic progress by man and society." (Pope St. John Paul II, *Laborem Exercens*)

St. Catherine of Siena
(1347 - 1380)
Doctor of the Church
Patron of those suffering illness, nurses and those
ridiculed for their faith



St. Catherine of Siena's witness can help us to be:

Brave
Generous
Content with who we are
Steadfast in prayer

One of St. Catherine's more famous quotations is:
"Be who God meant you to be and you will set the
world on fire."

St. Catherine of Siena and St. Joseph – pray for us.

Final reminder - If you have a Catholic Children's Society donation box at home, please bring it back to school by 6th May so we can pass the money onto the charity. Many thanks.



Table Talk Topic for this week - Would you rather have wings or four legs?



News for the week

For information regarding testing for children and families at home, please click on the link below;
[Rapid lateral flow testing for households and bubbles of school pupils and staff](#)

Martial Arts - Years 5 & 6 spaces remaining

We are back after a 12 month break!
YEARS 5 & 6 Thursdays After School to 4.15pm
**WE HAVE LIMITED NUMBERS, SO PLEASE
EMAIL US FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
AND BOOKING DETAILS**

E: progressive.bmaba@gmail.com

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T: 0208 642 6080



When on your walks over the weekend, take a look upwards in the tree's above the bridge at Carshalton Ponds, the Herons are nesting.

NO ELECTRIC SCOOTERS ARE ALLOWED ANYWHERE ON SCHOOL GROUNDS!



Last chance to join the Chess Club – 5 spaces remaining

We are pleased to announce the **return of Chess Club**, albeit in a slightly different format due to Covid restrictions and the need to remain in class bubbles.

WEDNESDAYS AFTER SCHOOL (2.15-3.15pm) for **YEAR 4 PUPILS**, starting Wednesday 28th April.

Please contact **Marcus Gosling** – marcus94gosling@gmail.com – as soon as possible if you would like your child to attend this term.
Marcus can also be contacted on 07711 94 64 55.



50/50 Winners!

Congratulations to recent 50/50 winners! Please collect your winnings from the school office.

April 2021 – C W Fortune

Easter Bonus Draw – The Moret Family

May 2021 – T O'Brien



Stars of the Week - Week Ending 30th April 2021

R Hedgehog Class - Liam F, R Fox Class - Thea D,

R Squirrel Class - Oskar M & Joshua T,

1 Wren Class - Alexander H, 1 Robin Class - Zofia.L, 1 Sparrow Class - Finley H,

2 Woodpeckers Class — Evie.B, 2 Heron Class - Kai D, 2 Jay Class - Milena.W

Well done to all of the Stars of the week!

