



St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School

“learning, growing, belonging ... happy together in God's family”

Please visit our website that has been updated.

Website: www.stjosephs.warrington.dbprimary.com

Archdiocesan Levy

You are all aware of the financial pressures schools face which indeed look to worsen in the next few years. For Catholic schools the pressure is increased as we are required to pay 10% of capital costs. Traditionally, parents have been generous in their support for school via the Archdiocesan levy which each school is required to raise annually. At present the request is for £12 per family. However, this year our contribution of £2736 is short by £864 which if not met by your levy contributions will need to be found via other means. Please do your best to make this annual contribution and continue to support the work of St Joseph's.



Reason for School Closure on Monday 10 July

Thank you all for your support on Monday with the unforeseen school closure. The safety of the whole school community is our priority and following the discovery of what appeared to be a small sink hole late on Friday afternoon, we had to act fast. First of all, we closed off the area and made alternative arrangements from home time. We then contacted the authorities and relevant buildings experts. As the detailed review of the area was not possible till Monday morning, I decided after consultation with the Chair of Governors and our Health and Safety Advisor to close the school until a clearer picture was available. On Monday, the review took place and the workmen were able to fix the problem (a split drain collar) and repair the area. The Archdiocesan surveyors then approved the repair for us to reopen the school on Tuesday.



Interruptions and Lateness

Please can we ask that your children are prepared to come into school each morning with everything they require for the day. Every late PE kit or lunchbox is an interruption for both the office staff and the class and it is important these are kept to a minimum.

If your child is late in the morning please can you ensure you accompany them to the office and sign them in.



Monies

We are getting increased instances of large amounts of money being sent into school with children that are not in named envelopes.

All monies sent in whether for trips, clubs or lunch must be sent in a named envelopes.

Dinner money must be sent in on a daily basis. Last week the dinner money debt was over £40 which equates to 20 lunches.



Water Bottles—KS2

As you are aware we encourage children to keep hydrated within school by providing water bottles for all KS2 children.

From this September we will require a contribution towards these bottles. Please can we ask you to send in £2 in a named envelope by Friday 14th July.



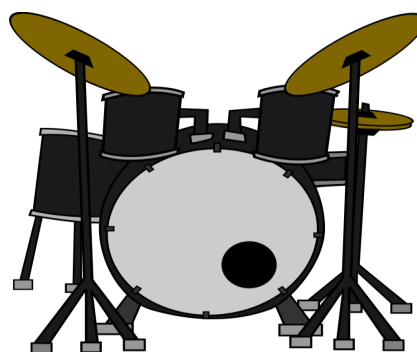
Parking

There has been a rise in inconsiderate parking both outside our school and in our carpark. Parents must not park in the school carpark for safeguarding reasons. One of our neighbours had one of our grandparents park over her driveway. We are sure you will all agree this is unacceptable. Please can we ask you to either park in the church carpark or if you park in the surrounding streets please park safely leaving room for children to cross.



Drum Kit

If any of our families have an electronic drum kit they no longer use, we would be able to make very good use of it in school.





easyfundraising is the simplest way to raise money for **St Joseph's PFA** for the benefit of the School and children. A small number of members have already raised over £400 using it! Shop at nearly 3000 well known retailers listed at <http://easyfundraising.org.uk> website and a percentage of what you spend is passed to St Joseph's PFA **at no additional cost** to you. Retailers include Amazon, M&S, Vodafone, eBay, Tesco, Asda, John Lewis and many more such as holiday firms, insurance companies and phone/broadband providers! Please register to support us today –

<http://tinyurl.com/stjoesef>

There are a number of "St Josephs" on **easyfundraising**, the one that is linked to us can be found if you search on **easyfundraising** for "St Josephs RC PFA Warrington"...



St Josephs RC PFA Warrington
Parents and Friends raising funds for St Joseph's RC Primary School in Penketh, Warrington.

Any questions then please contact the PFA by email at contact@stjosephspfa.org.uk and we will be glad to help

[Dates for your Diary](#)

July 2017

Monday 17th July– Year 6 BBQ—5pm—7pm (children only)

Wednesday 19th July—Leavers Mass—9.30am in St Joseph's Church—all welcome

Friday 21st July– Leavers Assembly—9.15am—all welcome (but it will be a squash)

September 2017

Wednesday 6th September—Return to school

“Did you know that you are automatically a member of our School's Parents & Friends Association (PFA)? If you would like to know more, please visit the PFA page on the School's