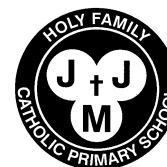




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***"Hand in hand in God's loving family, we will dream and learn, growing into the best we can be."***

### **Heads Message**

Today, our children joined together with other Catholic Schools in our Diocese to celebrate the Feast of St Joseph. During this special Livestream Mass, Bishop Declan challenged us all to 'Dare to Dream'. He dared us to live by this dream and to really think about what the Kingdom of God means to us in our daily lives. As we consider Bishop Declan's message, let us remember that we are all God's people on our Lenten journey towards Easter and remember that God sends His people out to make the world a better place.

Take care and have a restful weekend

### **Virtual Author and illustrator Visit**

This week the children had a virtual author visit. KS1 were visited by Andy Jones author of The Humpus Rumpus and KS2 were visited by Katie Ward author of The Pretender. Also joining the meeting was the illustrator of both books Emma Haines. The children asked some wonderful questions and I believe we now have some budding authors across the school!

### **Pupils with COVID Symptoms**

Please note that pupils with COVID symptoms i.e. a new continuous cough, a high temperature, a loss of taste or smell, should still self-isolate and visit a test site to book a [polymerase chain reaction \(PCR\) test](#) to check if they have the virus.

*The asymptomatic testing programme* (Lateral Flow Test) does not replace the current testing policy for those with symptoms. Anyone with symptoms should still self-isolate immediately according to government guidelines.

Parents MUST inform the school the outcome of their child's PCR test prior to returning to school.

Thank you for your co-operation.



### **Lent**

Mission Together boxes need to be returned to the school by **Friday 23rd April**. Any contribution, no matter how small, would be greatly appreciated! Thank you!

### **Just for Fun Holiday Club**

The Government and local authorities have put plans in place to further support free school meal children over Easter, Summer, and Christmas holidays this year.

The funding allows Free School Meal children to access funded holiday activity schemes, ensuring a healthy meal is provided as part of these sessions.

Just for Fun Holiday Club are pleased to be working with Swindon Borough Council and providing places this Easter holiday to children who are entitled to free school meals.

See attached poster.

### **After School Club**

Please note that After School Club on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April will run from 1.30pm to 3.30pm.



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## Whatsapp

This comes with an age 16+ rating. A popular messaging service where you can exchange texts, photos, videos and make voice and video calls. Parents please be aware that there is a LIVE location sharing feature which means that your child can share their current whereabouts. Although this is great for letting friends and family know where they are and are safe, it may also mean that if your child is in a chat with someone they don't know, their location is revealed. You and your child can put a time limit on how long they share their location for i.e 15 minutes OR they can manually choose to stop sharing their location at any time. Check it out! Contact the [www. Nationalonlinesafety. com](http://www.Nationalonlinesafety.com) for more information

### Key Dates

Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Giraffe Class Pupil Progress Meetings	See newsletter
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Nursery TD Day	Nursery closed all day
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> April	End of Term	School finishes 1.30pm

#### Term 4:

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February to Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April

#### Term 5:

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May

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In partnership with Swindon Borough Council, Just for Fun Holiday Club are delighted to be able to offer children who are eligible for free school meals places at our holiday clubs over the Easter period. We are a registered Ofsted holiday club, that operate at 3 sites across Swindon.

### To register and book your places you will need to

1. Firstly check your eligibility at <https://www.swindon.gov.uk/xfp/form/860>
2. Register for the holiday club with Swindon Borough Council on their web page at [https://www.swindon.gov.uk/info/20029/people\\_and\\_communities/1178/covid-19 -  
\\_holiday\\_activities\\_and\\_food\\_programme](https://www.swindon.gov.uk/info/20029/people_and_communities/1178/covid-19_-_holiday_activities_and_food_programme)
3. By registering you will obtain a reference code. You will need this so keep it safe.
4. Visit our web page at [www.justforfunholidayclub.co.uk](http://www.justforfunholidayclub.co.uk) and click on *Buy Tickets Today*.
5. If you are a new customer you will need to register your child. Existing customers will need to log in.
6. This offer is only valid for our 9.30-3.30 booking option across all 3 venues. Just for Fun Holiday Club are giving an extra 50% with this programme allowing children to stay for the full 6-hour booking. Additional hours can be added but you will be charged for these hours separately.
7. All children will receive lunch as part of the programme. An email will be sent out prior to the booking to gather this information.
8. At checkout you will need to select *Custom (HAF (Holiday Activity and Food) programme)*
9. You will need to send your code and child's name or screenshot to [info@justforfunholidayclub.co.uk](mailto:info@justforfunholidayclub.co.uk), with subject HAF URN, once you have finished making your booking. This will help us easy match up the booking.



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