



St. Richard's RC Primary Summer Term Newsletter



Thursday 2nd May 2024

The mission of St Richard's is that we know, love and follow Christ by looking after each other and trying our best every day.

ST JOSEPH THE WORKER

The feast day of St. Joseph the Worker (yesterday, Wednesday 1st May) reminds us of the importance of work in the lives of individuals and society. It also encourages us to strive for excellence in our work and to use our talents and abilities to serve others. Let us Pray:

God our Father, Creator and Ruler of the universe, in every age you call us to use and develop our gifts for the good of others. With St. Joseph as our guide, help us to do the work you have asked and come to the rewards you have promised. Please grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen. Please St. Joseph The Worker, Pray for us.



NO EARRINGS IN SCHOOL

Earrings are not part of school uniform at St Richard's and pupils are not allowed to wear them in school. Please ensure that your child does not come to school wearing earrings. Many thanks in advance for your full cooperation.

YEAR 2 VISIT TO LYME PARK

On Thursday 25th April both of our Year 2 classes visited Lyme Park as part of their curriculum studies. Naisa in Class 4 writes, 'On Thursday 25th April, Class 3 and Class 4 went on our first class trip to the spectacular Lyme Park. We got to explore the gardens, the house and we walked on the hills up to the Cage. The view was so nice. I enjoyed playing in Crow Wood. It was an amazing day!'

We also had a lovely email from Lyme Park following the trip which I am proud to reproduce here:

'Hi, I am a volunteer in the house at Lyme and I just wanted to say how lovely it was to meet the children from St Richard's yesterday when they visited the house. They were so polite and well behaved but their enthusiasm and joy of learning shone out. They were so engaged and interested and asked some amazing questions. They will go far. It really was a joy to meet them. Best wishes to all at the school.'

WEDNESDAY WORD ONLINE

Please share the joy of the Wednesday Word as a family this week by visiting [Love - Magazine - Page 1 \(paperturn-view.com\)](http://Love - Magazine - Page 1 (paperturn-view.com)) This week's Wednesday Word is **LOVE**

WAKE UP WEDNESDAY

We continue to signpost parents to National Online Safety's free online safety guides for parents and carers. This campaign is called '#WakeUp Wednesday'. At St Richard's this means that we provide an almost weekly link to a different e-safety issue so that parents and children are better informed and able to make better choices about their internet use. This week's guide is a really useful read all about **Snapchat** (which has a 13+ lower age limit) and which can be viewed by clicking [here](#)

NEXT MONDAY IS A BANK HOLIDAY

School will be closed to all pupils on Monday 6th May 2024 as this is a public holiday. School will reopen at 8.30am on Tuesday 7th May. We wish everyone a relaxing and enjoyable extended weekend.

CLASS ASSEMBLY DATES

Below are details of class assemblies which are coming up this term. They begin at 9am in the main school hall. Parents are very welcome to attend their child(ren)'s class assembly.

Date	Class assembly for:
Thursday 9 th May	Reception 2
Thursday 27 th June	Reception 1

PARK AND STRIDE

'Park and Stride' is a simple idea for families who live further away to still enjoy the benefits of walking to school. If you drive your child to school, please consider parking a ten-minute walk from school and complete their journey on foot. This reduces traffic, congestion and road danger around our school gates whilst allowing children the chance to get active for the last part of their journey. Walk to School Week 2024 starts on 20th May this year and it would be great if you were already prepared for this. We have a new banner outside school on Wilshire Avenue to highlight this upcoming initiative.

Whenever parents do drive their children to school it is essential that there is consideration for the surrounding community. Please do not obstruct the driveways of the school's neighbours on Sutcliffe Avenue as this causes significant inconvenience for those who live nearest to us. Please be courteous and neighbourly at all times. Many thanks in advance.

RECEIVING THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

It is vitally important that parents receive and read the newsletter every week so that you know what's going on at St Richard's. The newsletter is only very occasionally sent out as a paper copy. The latest version of the weekly newsletter can be accessed on the school's website every Thursday afternoon. We are happy to email the newsletter to parents every week if they request this service. If you are not currently receiving the newsletter each week but wish to receive the newsletter every Thursday by email, then simply send:

1. Your full name
2. Name(s) and class(es) of your child(ren) at our school
3. Preferred email address
4. The message 'I consent to school using my email address in order to send me a copy of the newsletter each week of term'.

to comments@st-richards.manchester.sch.uk and you will be added to the mailing list.

RESPONDING TO THE NEWSLETTER

We are always happy to receive comments, observations or suggestions about the newsletter or any other aspect of school life. Any comments that we receive will be read and considered. These should be emailed to: comments@st-richards.manchester.sch.uk

With many thanks for your continuing support

Mr J Murray

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