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Dear parents

23rd March 2018

Easter is nearly upon us. What a wonderful term we have had, so much exciting learning has taken place as well as amazing sporting achievements. Mrs Hunt has produced some real bumper newsletters full of sporting and learning activities. We are so grateful to her for compiling this to celebrate as well as inform you about life at St Joseph's. The final one for this term will be out this week.

Mass this morning was again a reverent and prayerful time in school where we recalled the events of Holy Week as a school and parish community. Thank you to those parents and parishioners who were able to join us, you are always most welcome. This afternoon was the first of Lower Key Stage 2 Easter performances of 'Hosanna'. Both staff and children have worked tremendously hard. I hope those of you who attended were impressed, and I am sure moved, by the children's interpretation.

On Thursday you are all most welcome to join us for the termly whole school Golden Assembly at 9.15am. You will need to enter the hall from the studio door off the KS2 playground. The Friends will be selling final raffle tickets there as well as drumming up support for our annual school and parish summer fete which, even though it isn't until 23rd June, it takes a lot of work so please sign up if you can spare even a small amount of time on a stall on the day or in the preparations beforehand or clearing after. You need to see what is planned for my car this year – how do you better balloons!!!!???

As always your support is invaluable to us as a staff I say 'thank you' to you from myself and the Governing body on their behalf. My only request to you is that you continue that support. I am so pleased and proud of all of our children and appreciate the time that you take to ensure that they are in the correct uniform and have the correct PE uniform. I have had to issue some clear reminders this term about uniform, particularly hair and would like to say from a health and safety perspective that we have noticed a real lack of head lice in school now due to long hair being tied back – great news!! May I remind you that this rule applies to girls and boys, long hair cannot be worn down. This is part of our uniform rules so there are no exceptions I am afraid. There has also been issues with large bows and decorative hair pieces. It was wonderful in Mass this morning to see long hair tied back and in most cases appropriate hair decoration. The rule is that small clips are worn in hair please. Large Jo-Jo bows are making an appearance too – these are inappropriate for school but great for at home. **Rules are made for everyone to abide by.** I have recently spoken with parents regarding this and now must insist that all children abide by the rules.





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If you have any issue with this request then please see myself, Mrs Jackson, Mrs McDonagh or Miss Dean. These are the rules and we are always happy to support and advise you if you have difficulty providing any uniform item.

May I take this opportunity to wish you and your family a happy and holy Easter. I look forward to seeing you all back at school on Monday 16th April 2018 when the Summer Term begins!! So much to look forward to again!

Yours in faith and partnership

Mrs Louise Bury
Headteacher

