



Believe



Achieve



Succeed

## Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2024

**Dear Families,**

We hope that you all had a good half term break and welcome back to our shortest half term of the year. It may only be 4 weeks long, but we have lots to fit in during that time... Please can children remember to hand their homework projects in by **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March**, ready to share at our Open Classroom on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March**.



**Can you help to improve our  
Forest School?**

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March at 2pm**

We are looking for volunteers to help us to improve our Forest School area. If you can help us with any of the following, or can join us on the day, please let us know via the school office.  
o Do you have carpentry skills? Could you help make...

- \* a bench to use as a mud kitchen
- \* a simple structure to use as a log store  
(We do have pallets for this)

- o Donate larger logs we could use for balancing / see saw
- o Volunteers to litter pick and carry larger items to a skip
- o Put up our slack line
- o Bring your own creative ideas!! **Thank you for your support.**

Finally, don't forget that it is 'Move it March' and we are thrilled to be part of this initiative run for all Leicestershire schools... who will reach a Platinum Award this year? Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

**God bless,  
Mrs Dabbs**



## Key dates for your diaries...

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March** – World Book Day (dress up)

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March** – Homework Projects to be handed in to class teachers

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March** – Open Classrooms – Curriculum focus

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March**- Feast of St Joseph Mass at 9:30am at Our Lady of Victories

**Tues 19<sup>th</sup> March** – The Passion of Christ in Church Performed by Year 3 & 4 at 2pm & 6:30pm

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March** – PTFA Sponsored Walk Last day of term

## EASTER HOLIDAYS

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April**

## A message from Fr Chris...

**Children's Liturgy**, for children of school age up to First Communion, continues Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 10am Mass. The children are led out at the beginning of Mass by the Catechists and return at the Offertory. All children from Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2 are warmly invited. Please do come along and join in!

## Parking Safely Project



We would like run a competition for the children to design a parking permit.

- St Joseph's Catholic Academy
- Parking Permit for The Commons Car Park
- Valid from March 2024 to July 2024
- Valid between 8:25am and 8:55am
- Vehicle registration

All competition entries should be handed in to class teachers by Monday 4th March 2024.



## Calling all girls... Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March is

**#LETGIRLSPLAY** All girls are invited to bring a football shirt to wear at lunchtime. Girls ONLY will be able to play football on the TOP PITCH during lunchtime on that day. There will also be a penalty shoot-out against the teachers!!!

## Moments of PRIDE...



We are so proud of the Year 5 class who visited The Briars this week on their residential retreat. They challenged

themselves on the climbing wall, pushing themselves further. They practised living out virtues in their training as 'agents of love', following Jesus' example. They were all fantastic! Thank you to Mrs Vahder, Mrs Rusling, Mrs Pelos and Mrs Crawford for helping the children to have such a wonderful time.



# WORLD BOOK DAY



7th March 2024

Dress as an ADJECTIVE

**BRAVE**  
superhero

**SCARY**  
wolf

**DANGEROUS**  
dinosaur

**COLOURFUL**  
clown

**SPARKLY**  
princess

'Adjectives are words that describe something or someone'