



# St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School

## A Voluntary Academy

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### Newsletter: Autumn Term 8<sup>th</sup> October 2015

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we will be selecting our Mini Vinnies, from the key stage 2 classes in school. Mini Vinnies is the primary school-aged group within the SVP. Following a recent presentation from Gaynor Markham, the diocesan co-ordinator for Mini Vinnies, the children have been asked to think about whether they would like to join this group which will focus on supporting those who need our support within our local communities, and what skills and ideas they may bring. Parents will be welcome to join us for the commissioning ceremony on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October, when our Mini Vinnies will be formally welcomed into the group.

Have a good week,  
Mrs Mumby

#### Myddelton Grange

From Monday to Wednesday of this week, our Year 5 class went on retreat to Myddelton Grange. They had a fantastic time, enjoying the scenery of Ilkley and the company of one another, taking part in games, walks, team building activities, reflections and prayer. I would like to extend my great thanks to Mrs Grainger, Mrs Cole, Mrs Ferguson and Mr Nicholson who gave up time with their own families to look after our school family during the retreat.

I would also like to say a big thank you and well done to Year 5 for being such superstars at Myddelton Grange. I joined them on Tuesday and saw first-hand just how responsible and sensible they were and what a wonderful time they were having. Well done Year 5!

There will be a Year 5 Myddelton Grange assembly on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 2.45pm. All parents and friends are welcome to attend.

#### Key Stage One Harvest Assembly

We will be having our key stage one harvest assembly on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October at 9.15am. We would be grateful for any donations of food items, which we can donate to the SVP and the Well Project, local charities which support those in need in our own community. Any donations can be brought in on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October and the morning of Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October. Many thanks in advance.

#### Lego

Lego has so much educational potential and can be used for building, storytelling and developing teamwork. If you have any Lego at home which your children are no longer playing with, we would welcome it in school. Any donations can be left with Miss Tudor in the school office. Many thanks.

#### Breast Cancer Care Event – Please Support

Lisa Newton-Stringer, who has a daughter, Tilly, in Year 5 would like to invite all parents and friends of the school to the following worthwhile event:

Together with family, friends and the church community we are holding a fundraising event for Breast Cancer Care on Saturday, 17 October from 2pm till 4pm at The Cannon O'Grady Church Hall in Normanton. There will be lots going on such as a DJ, tombolas, raffles, games, face painting, nail art and a bun stall plus lots more. There will also be a makeup and skincare stand offering make up tips and advice as well as showcasing some Christmas gift ideas.

Entry is £3 and includes a drink and a cake.

#### Bun Sale

Tilly Newton-Stringer and Lola Daley are arranging a bun sale in school, also for Breast Cancer Care. This will be held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October. We would welcome any donations of buns and biscuits on either Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October, or the morning of Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October. This will be open to all children from Nursery to Year 6. Children may bring up to 50p into school, in a labelled envelope, which should be handed to the class teacher on the morning of 21<sup>st</sup> October.

#### Parent Drop-in Sessions

On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November and Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November, there will be some parent drop-in sessions in school. These will be led by the Child and Family Inclusion Team (CFIT). Dr Raja Khan from the team will be happy to meet one-to-one with parents to discuss a range of issues which may affect you or your family, such as managing your child's anger, anxiety, worries and challenging behaviour. If you feel that you would benefit from their expert advice on any parenting matter at all, please call into the school office in order that we can allocate you a time. All meetings will be confidential between yourself and the CFIT team. There will be a flyer going home tonight with further details.

#### Parking

Please do refrain from parking on the yellow zig zag lines outside school. We need to keep Beckbridge Lane as clear as possible in order to leave access for emergency vehicles.

#### Sickness Bug

If your child has had a stomach bug, they must not return to school until 48 hours after the last time that they have been sick or had diarrhoea. We urge all parents to be mindful of this advice in order to prevent the spread of infection through school.

#### 100 Club

Congratulations to last week's winner of the 100 Club: The Rhodes Family.

### Gold Book Assembly

The next Gold book assembly will take place on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 2.30pm. The following children have made it into the Gold Book this week. We are very proud of them, and their achievements:

**Brilliant Behaviour at Lunchtime – Grace Ashurst-Bagshaw**

**Marvellous Manners at Lunchtime – Kacper Niznikowski**

**Year 1 – McKenzie Hartley & Isabella Ralph**

**Year 2 – Jos Taylor & Zuzanna Kurmaniak**

**Year 3 – Ronan Sharp & Corben Ashurst**

**Year 4 – The whole class**

**Year 5 – The whole class**

**Year 6 – Francesca Atherton & Sam Johnson**

\*Late Foundation will be joining us later in the year for Gold Book assembly, but certificates will be awarded in class for those Late Foundation children who have impressed in a particular area at some point during the week.

**Late Foundation Awards – Charlie Conway & Ben McDonnell**

### School and Class Masses

All parents, parishioners and friends of the school are welcome to join us for school and class Masses.

Class Masses take place on a Thursday at 9.15am, in the school hall, unless otherwise indicated. Classes leading the class Masses are indicated:

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October** – Children's Harvest Mass, St John's Church, 10am

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October** – Year 2 and Year 6

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November** – Year 5 and Year 3

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November** – Remembrance Day Mass, St John's Church, 9am

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November** – Year 1 and Year 4

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November** – Year 2 and Year 6

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** – Year 5 and Year 3

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December** – Whole School Mass, 10am, in church

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January** – Whole School Mass, 10am, in church

### Diary Dates

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October** – Key Stage One Harvest Festival, 9.15am

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October** – School Council visit to Normanton Town Council

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October** – Year 3 visit to Leeds Museum

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October** – Year 6 Robinwood meeting, 3.40pm

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October** – KS2 Mini Vinnies Commissioning Ceremony, 2.30pm

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October and Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October** – Parent's Evenings, 3.30-6pm

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October** – Bun Sale for Breast Cancer Care

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October** – Year 4 visit to Yorkshire Wildlife Park

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October** – Year 5 Myddelton Grange assembly, 2.45pm

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October** – School closes for half-term

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October** – Staff INSET day

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November** – School re-opens

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November** – Film Night (Years 1 to 6)

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November** – Bedtime Stories (Foundation Stage)

**W.B. 9<sup>th</sup> November** – 'Celebrating Britain' themed week

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November** – Bags2school collection

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November** – Children in Need Day

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November** – Maths Workshop for parents, 5pm

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November** – Non-uniform day (Bring a tombola prize for the Christmas Fair)

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November** – Blessing of the Advent wreaths

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November** – PA funded performance of 'Peter Pan'

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November** – Years 3 and 4 Advent Praise, 2.40pm

**W.B. 30<sup>th</sup> November** – Half-price Book Fair

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December** – Year 3 singing assembly, 9.30am

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** – Christmas Fair

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December** – Years 5 and 6 Advent Praise

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December** – Late Foundation/Key Stage One Christmas Production, 9.30am and 2pm

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December** – Years 1 and 2 Advent Praise

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December** – Key Stage Two Party

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December** – Key Stage One Christmas dinner

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December** – Key Stage One Party

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December** – Key Stage Two Christmas dinner

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December** – Nursery Christmas Singalong

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December** – Nursery Party

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December** – Save the Children 'Wear your Christmas Jumper' Day

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December** – School closes for Christmas

**Our Statement of Belief for week beginning 12<sup>th</sup> October is:**

*I try to stand up for myself and others without hurting others*

### Lunchtime Menu for Week Beginning 12<sup>th</sup> October 2015

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Fish and parsley sauce	Roast pork and stuffing	Wholemeal pasta, bolognese and tomato bread	Sausages	Macaroni cheese and garlic bread
Vegemince and broccoli lasagne	Savoury vegemince and Yorkshire pudding	Cheese pie	Vegemince shepherd's pie	Pizza
Tuna jacket	Cheese jacket	Tuna jacket	Cheese jacket	Tuna jacket

