

# St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School

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# Newsletter: Autumn Term 21<sup>st</sup> January 2016

Dear Parents and Carers,

There is a buzz of excitement in school today as many of our Key Stage 2 children, and staff, are gearing up for the Young Voices concert this evening at Sheffield Arena. If you are able to join us for this event, do look out for us we will be sure to give you a wave! Have a lovely week,

Mrs Mumby

### Volunteer Readers

We are appealing once again for parents, parishioners or friends of the school who may have a morning or afternoon free, and would like to come into school and listen to children read individually. If you are interested in supporting school in this way, please leave your name with Miss Tudor and we will get back to you.

#### Smart Watches

We have had a small number of children coming into school and asking if smart watches or Fitbits are allowed in school. Due to the high value of such items, we would ask that children do not wear these types of watches. In addition, they do allow the wearer to undertake a number of functions which can be distracting during lessons. Many thanks for your co-operation.

# PA AGM

Friends of St John's PA will be having their next meeting and AGM on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> February. This meeting will take place at 7pm in the St John's Social Club. New members are always welcome, we hope to see you there.

# SATs Quiz Night

On the 1<sup>st</sup> February at 5pm, we have our SATs quiz night. The aim of the evening is to inform parents of the expectations of the new tests at the end of Year 2 and Year 6. However, the invitation to join us for this event is open to all parents as every child in school is on their journey towards either Year 2 or Year 6. As the styles of questions featured in the Year 2 and Year 6 tests are used in all classes, joining us for this quiz night will give all parents an understanding of how children's knowledge and understanding is assessed through school, and the high expectations of the new curriculum and the upcoming tests. Please do make every effort to join us. Letters will be coming out next week requesting parents and carers to let us know if they will be attending. Please note that this event is for parents and carers only. We request that children do not attend.

# <u>Stay & Play at St John's Church Hall - Launch</u> <u>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2016</u>

Please see the following notice from Catholic Care...

As part of our Gianna project, Catholic Care will be supporting the Parish in delivering a stay and play group starting on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2016 9.15-11.15am in the newly refurbished St John the Baptist Church Hall. The sessions will include singing, reading stories, messy play, soft play and interactive skills sessions. Healthy snacks and refreshments will also be available. This will be a great venue for parents and carers to socialise and to seek guidance and support if required. The group will run every Tuesday 9.15-11.15 it is open to all parents and carers in the Parish and school community so please do come along and join us! We will be looking for volunteers which will be an excellent opportunity for parents and carers to perhaps learn new skills and have a valuable addition to their CV. If you are interested please phone 0113 388 5400 or visit Catholic Care's website www.catholiccare.org.uk

# **Gold Book Assembly**

There will be no Gold Book on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> January due to other commitments in school.

# <u>100 Club</u>

Congratulations to last week's winner of the 100 club, Mrs Hill.

There are still some numbers available for the 100 club. If you would like to buy a number, please call into the school office.

# **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:

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> January** – Year 3 and Year 5 class Mass, 9.15am in school

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> February** - Year 1 and Year 4 class Mass, 9.15am in school

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February** - Year 2 and Year 6 class Mass, 9.15am in school

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February** - Year 3 and Year 5 class Mass, 9.15am in school

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March** - Year 1 and Year 4 class Mass, 9.15am in school

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> March** - Year 2 and Year 6 class Mass, 9.15am in school

**18th March** – Whole school Easter Mass, 10am Parents invited

# **Diary Dates**

21<sup>st</sup> January – Young Voices at Sheffield Arena 1<sup>st</sup> February – SATs Quiz Night, 5pm All Parents invited W.B. 1<sup>st</sup> February – RE themed week 'The Family' 26th February – Good Shepherd Appeal fundraising day 3rd March – World Book Day 4th March – Year 2 multi-skills, St Wilfrid's 7th March - Netball tournament at St Wilfrid's, 4-6pm 8th March – Year 4 skipping festival, St Wilfrid's 11th March – Y6 Mixed Tag rugby W.B. 14th March – 'Journey towards Holy Week' 14th March – LF/Y1/Y2 Palm Sunday reflection, 2.45pm Parents invited 15th March – Y3/Y4 Last Supper reflection, 2.45pm Parents invited 16th March – Y5/Y6 Good Friday reflection, 2.45pm Parents invited 16th March - Y5 Lenten Workshop, St Thomas-a-Becket's 18th March – School closes, 3.15/3.20pm 4th April – School re-opens 11th April – Parent's Evening, 3.30-6pm 13th April – Parent's Evening, 3.30-6pm

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

# Lunchtime Menus for Week Beginning 25<sup>th</sup> January 2016