



# St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School

## A Voluntary Academy

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### Newsletter: Summer Term

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The sun has made a welcome return this week, and it has been lovely to see a lot of learning happening outdoors as a result. Your children have worked incredibly hard this week; I know this as I have been inundated with children coming to show me lots of imaginative, creative and well-produced work. I must say that the standard of presentation I have seen has been incredibly high which reflects the high expectations of staff. Well done to all!

Have a good week,

Mrs Mumby

#### PA Fundraising

##### **Bags 2 School**

Many thanks for all your contributions for the Bags 2 School. We raised £66.

##### **Easter Raffle**

The Easter raffle was a big success, raising £195, many thanks to everyone for supporting this fundraiser.

#### Good Shepherd Appeal

Many thanks to everyone for the generous contributions made, during Lent, towards the Good Shepherd Appeal for Catholic Care. We had a great response to the Smarties Swap and this, along with the non-uniform day, raised a total of £640. This will be presented, in the form of a cheque, to Bishop Marcus at a special celebration on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May.

#### Film Night

On Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April, we will be having another Film Night for children in Years 1 to 6. The deadline for bringing in forms and payment for this event has been extended to Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April.

#### Sporting Success

Last Friday, the girls' football team played in a tournament at Outwood Grange Academy. They played incredibly well, and came an impressive third. Well done girls!! Many thanks to Miss Noone and Miss James who gave up their Friday evening to support the team, and many thanks, also, to the parents who were also able to help with transport, and gave the team superb support.

On Wednesday, the Year 2 children had great fun at their skipping festival at St Wilfrid's. They gained a variety of certificates and had a wonderful time.

#### Lollipoppers!

Churchill are currently running a competition to win a lollipop lady or man for a year. If you would like to nominate St John's, you can do so at <http://www.churchill.com/lollipoppers>.

#### Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday

On Tuesday morning, Mrs Ferguson accompanied Archie Murdoch-Dawson and Talia Fisher, two of our School Council members, to an event at Normanton Town Hall, where they, along with representatives from all the schools in Normanton and Altofts, were presented with commemorative pens to celebrate the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. Each child in school will bring a pen home this evening. We would like to extend our thanks to Normanton town Council for this generous gift.

#### Appeal from Late Foundation

Late Foundation are appealing for a number of items to develop play in the outdoor area. If you have any of the following items which you no longer use, we would be hugely grateful if you would contribute them to Late Foundation: drainpipes, baking trays, sieves, pots, pans, wooden spoons. Items can be left with either Miss Noone, in Late Foundation, or with Miss Tudor in the school office.

We are also starting a new intervention programme for our younger children in school, and would like any donations of coloured socks. Any donations can be left with Miss Tudor in the school office.

#### Eco Council

Well done to the Eco council. Their recycled model 'Bin Vader' came an impressive third in the recent competition which was run by Wakefield Council. Look out for a feature shortly in the Wakefield Express. Many thanks to Mr France for supporting the Eco Council with this venture.

#### A Big Thank you!

The children in Late Foundation are currently learning about life cycles and had a recent addition to their class. William Ripley-Hill, in Year 4, very kindly donated

some tadpoles to the class. William, Late Foundation would like to say a big thank you!

### **Yorkshire Air Ambulance**

This year, the Bishop Konstant Catholic Academy Trust is raising funds for the Yorkshire Air Ambulance. We will have a fundraising box on the front desk in reception where you can leave any donations or loose change. In addition, we have a number of Yorkshire Air Ambulance items for sale, such as coloured pencils, pens, key rings and badges. All items cost £1 and can be purchased from the main office.

### **Supervising Children**

Please do ensure that your child is appropriately supervised in the morning and at the end of the day. The doors open at 8.45am with the school day beginning at 8.55am. Any child who is left unsupervised on the playground before these times is the responsibility of parents.

As soon as children are handed over to parents at the end of the school day, they become the responsibility of parents. Please do not allow your child to go into the outdoor classroom at the end of the day and please do ensure that they are closely supervised.

### **Uniform**

Please check that your child has the correct uniform before they leave for school. Children should not be wearing trainers of any kind for school but should have sensible black shoes. All children should be wearing the school tie, if your child has mislaid theirs, a replacement can be purchased from the school office.

### **After School Clubs**

Many of this term's clubs will take place outdoors, weather permitting. Children will still need to bring their outdoor PE kit, as well as their shorts and T-shirt, in case the temperature drops and it becomes cold. Though we can have bright, warm sunshine one day, it can be completely different the next!

Please do also ensure that children are collected on time from the after-school clubs to allow staff to return to their classrooms and continue with their planning, preparation and marking.

### **Gold Book Assembly**

The next Gold book assembly will take place on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April at 2.30pm. The following children have made it into the Gold Book this week. We are very proud of them, and their achievements:

**Lunchtime Awards** – Lucy Van Der Merwe & Nathan Everett

**Late Foundation** – Bradley Chocholski & George Robinson

**Year 1** – Harry Gurmin & Alice Toft

**Year 2** – Abraham Palin & Oskar Grochowinski

**Year 3** – Finley Machin & Corben Ashurst

**Year 4** – Brandon Bastow & Sophie Hyde

**Year 5** – Chantelle Ward & James Lowe

**Year 6** – Anya Rollin & Joseph Kirk

**Kindness Cup** – Thomas Simpson (Year 6)

### **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 5<sup>th</sup> May** - Years 3 and 5 class Mass, 9.15am

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May** - Years 1 and 4 class Mass, 9.15am

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June** - Years 2 and 6 class Mass, 9.15am

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June** - Years 3 and 5 class Mass, 9.15am

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July** – Key Stage One and Foundation Stage Mass, 9.15am

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July** – Key Stage Two Mass, 9.15am

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July** – Whole School Mass in church, 10am

### **Diary Dates**

**19th April** - Bags 2 School Collection

**20<sup>th</sup> April** – PA meeting in school, 3.30pm

**27<sup>th</sup> April** – Film Night

**2<sup>nd</sup> May** – School closed 'May Day Bank Holiday'

**4<sup>th</sup> May** – Years 4 and 5 Fun Run at St Wilfrid's (Yorkshire Air Ambulance fundraiser), 12.30-2.30pm

**5<sup>th</sup> May** – Nursery closed

**6<sup>th</sup> May** – Good Shepherd Celebration at St Anne's Cathedral

**W.B. 9<sup>th</sup> May** – Key stage 2 Tests

**16<sup>th</sup> May** – Class and group photographs

**21<sup>st</sup> May** – Catholic Schools Football Tournament at Holy Family and St Michael's

**24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> May** – More Than Dance at SS Peter and Paul

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

<b><u>Monday</u></b>	<b><u>Tuesday</u></b>	<b><u>Wednesday</u></b>	<b><u>Thursday</u></b>	<b><u>Friday</u></b>
Chicken Wrap	Pork and stuffing	Pasta bolognaise and tomato bread	Sausages	Fish and parsley sauce
Vegemince lasagne and garlic bread	Savoury vegemince and Yorkshire pudding	Pizza	Vegemince shepherd's pie	Cheese pie
Tuna jacket	Cheese jacket	Tuna jacket	Cheese jacket	Tuna jacket

