

St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School

A Voluntary Academy

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Newsletter: Autumn Term 6th October 2016

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last week's Macmillan coffee morning was a great success. A huge thank you to everyone who was able to join us. The event raised £493.94.

Many thanks, also, to members of the PA, members of staff and the School Council representatives who helped out with refreshments.

Have a good week, Mrs Mumby

Friends of St John's PA

The friends of St John's Parents Association will be having their AGM and first meeting of the year on Wednesday 2nd November at 3.30pm to plan the year ahead. If you would like to meet other parents and friends of the school, and support the school in fundraising activities, please come along to the meeting where you will be most welcome. Children are welcome to come along, and we will have refreshments available.

Robinwood 2017 Meeting

There will be a meeting on Thursday 13th October, at 3.30pm, in the school hall, for parents of children in Year 6. The purpose of the meeting is to give parents details regarding the residential to Robinwood which is due to take place from the 3rd to the 5th July 2017.

Year 5 and 6 Cafod Harvest Assembly

The Year 5 and Year 6 Cafod Harvest assembly has been rescheduled for 13th October at 2.45pm. Parents are invited to join us for this assembly, and to bring along a tin or an item of dried food which can be distributed amongst those in need in our local community.

The key stage one harvest festival will take place on the same day, but at 9.15am and, once again, parents are invited to bring a contribution of tinned or dried food.

Labelling Uniform

Many of the children have new uniform items, and are looking very smart indeed. Unfortunately, some of these items are not labelled, making it very difficult to match jumpers and cardigans with their owners when they are found. Please do ensure that all of your child's uniform is labelled. This extends to shoes as there are a number of children with the same style of shoes.

Please do ensure that your child comes to school in the appropriate uniform. Children must wear a tie, knitwear with the school logo and black shoes. Trainers are not permitted. Polo shirts are not allowed; children must have a plain white shirt. For PE, children must bring a navy pair of shorts, and a plain white T-shirt. In addition, for outdoor PE, children require a pair of plain navy jogging bottoms and a plain, navy sweatshirt or hoodie.

PE Kit

There are a number of children who have returned to school without a PE kit this term. Please do ensure that your child has their PE kit in school, in order that they can participate in sports and physical activity.

We are appealing for any spare PE kit items which you may have at home, for KS2-aged pupils, which your own child may have outgrown. If you have any T-shirts or shorts aged from 7-13 years, which are no longer required for your own child, please leave them with Miss Tudor in the school office.

Holiday Club - October half-term

If you wish for your child to take part in the holiday club which is taking place in October, please complete the appropriate form as soon as possible and leave it with Miss Tudor in the school office.

Health and Wellbeing of Parents

Many thanks to all parents who took part in the health check with our Wakefield Health and Improvement Co-ordinator this week.

The next health check will take place on Tuesday 13th December from 2pm until 5pm. If you are interested in taking part, or would like a follow-up appointment, please see Miss Tudor in the office to book an appointment. The Health Improvement Team will continue to return each half-term.

Inset Day

Friday 23rd December will be an Inset Day for staff. School will, therefore, close on Thursday 22nd December and re-open on Monday 9th January 2017.

Bags 2 School

All children should have returned home with a 'Bags 2 School' bag this week. Please do return the filled bags on Friday 7th October, as they will be collected on Monday 10th October. We are unable to accept bedding, towels, curtains or uniform items.

Gold Book Assembly

The next Gold book assembly will take place on Friday 7th 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:

Lunchtime Awards – Arun Purewal and Isabel Firth Late Foundation - Ellie Hyde and Finlay O'Connor

Year 1 - Ben McDonnell and James Scott

Year 2 - Lucas-Jay McIntyre and EstherMae Rhodes

Year 3 – Maria McHale and Ainhoa Castejon-Haslam

Year 4 - Lennon Weeks and Emily Codner

Year 5 – Grace Barrett and Samuel Pearce

Year 6 - The Whole Class

School and Class Masses

All parents, parishioners and friends of the school are welcome to join us for school and class Masses. Class Masses are held in our school hall and, unless otherwise indicated, begin at 9.15am

Thursday 20th October – Year 2 and Year 5 Thursday 3rd November – Year 1 and Year 6 Thursday 10th November – Year 3 and Year 4 Thursday 17th November – Year 2 and Year 5

Monday 19th December - Whole School Mass, 10am in church

Diary Dates

Saturday 8th October – Diocesan Pilgrimage to Ripon

Thursday 13th October – Key Stage One Harvest festival, 9.15am

Thursday 13th October – Years 5 and 6 Cafod Harvest Assembly

Thursday 13th October – Year 6 Parents Robinwood meeting, 3.30pm

Monday 17th October - Parent Consultation Evening,

Tuesday 18th October - Parent Consultation Evening, 3.30-6pm

Friday 21st October – Inset Day – school closed Monday 14th November – Wakefield Library Service to visit Early Foundation

Friday 18th November – Children in Need Day Friday 25th November - Non-uniform day (Bring a tombola prize for the Christmas Fair)

Monday 28th November – Pantomime

Monday 28th November – Advent Praise led by Years 5 and 6, 2.45pm, parents welcome

Thursday 1st December – Christmas Fair

Monday 5th December - Advent Praise led by Years 3 and 4, 2.45pm, parents welcome

Tuesday 6th December – Years 1 and 2 Advent Inspire Workshop, 9-10.20am

Thursday 8th December – Years 5 and 6 Advent Inspire Workshop, 9-10.20am

Monday 12th December – Years 3 and 4 Advent Inspire Workshop, 9-10.20am

Monday 12th December - Advent Praise led by Late Foundation, Years 1 and 2, 2.45pm, parents welcome

Thursday 15th December – Late Foundation/Key Stage One Christmas Production, 9.30am and 2pm

Wednesday 21st December – Early Foundation

Nativity, 11am

Our Statement of Belief for week beginning 10th October is: I understand that rights match responsibility.

Lunchtime Menus for Week Beginning 10th October 2016 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Savoury minced beef Fish fingers and Chicken korma, rice Roast beef and Fish and Yorkshire pudding parsley sauce and pitta bread Yorkshire pudding Vegemince chilli and Wholemeal pasta Vegemince lasagne Pizza Macaroni cheese and rice margarita and tomato and garlic bread garlic bread Tuna jacket bread Cheese jacket Cheese jacket Tuna jacket Tuna jacket