



St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School

A Voluntary Academy

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Many thanks to the parents who were able to join us for a moving remembrance service in the peace and reflection garden last Friday, and to those families who put forward names for our book of remembrance. It was a lovely service and the children showed great reverence and respect. Tomorrow, Fr Duane will be leading our Year 6 children on a visit to the memorial in Haw Hill Park in order that our children may pay their respects.

Have a good week,
Mrs Mumby

Friends of St John's PA

The PA are appealing for some support with preparations for the Christmas Fair. On Friday 25th November and Monday 28th November, at 9am, they would be grateful of any extra help that can be provided with wrapping gifts and tagging items for the various stalls. If you feel that you could spare an hour or two, come along to the school reception once you have dropped off your child/ren and if you can provide the manpower, we'll provide the tea and biscuits!

The PA are holding a Christmas raffle. A book of tickets has been sent home with each child in school. Tickets are priced at £1 each or £5 per book. Families should send the money and counterfoil back to school in an envelope labelled 'Christmas Raffle.' Any unwanted tickets should also be returned to school.

Dress Down Day – Friday 25th November

Next Friday, 25th November, will be our dress down day. Children may come to school in non-uniform in exchange for a prize which may be used on one of our tombola stalls.

In addition, if you have any unused gifts, toiletries, bottles or chocolate which you could donate to the Christmas Fair, we would be hugely grateful. These

can be left with Miss Tudor, in the school office, or a member of staff. Many thanks in advance.

Teddy Tombola

The Foundation Stage team will be having a teddy tombola at the Christmas Fair. They would gratefully appreciate any donations of clean teddies and cuddly toys. Any donations can be left with Miss Tudor, in the school office, or a member of the Foundation Stage staff team.

Cancellation of Clubs – Thursday 1st December

Due to the Christmas Fair, on Thursday 1st December, the after school clubs, which usually take place on this day, will be cancelled. This affects the Key Stage One football, netball and drama club.

Christmas Fair, Thursday 1st December 3-5pm

The Fair will open at 3pm on Thursday 1st December. Parents may wish to collect children at 3pm on this day and visit the fair. If you do wish to collect your child at 3pm, you will need to go to the classroom doors, as usual, and come into the fair through the main entrance to school.

Year 1 visit to The Deep

The Year 1 children recently enjoyed a visit to The Deep, exploring the underwater world. They had a wonderful day and were commended on their superb behaviour. Well done Year 1!

Year 2 Owls Visit

The children were, this week, visited by a number of owls as part of their current work in class. They had a great morning, and learned many new facts about these amazing creatures. The highlight of the visit must have been having the opportunity to handle one of the owls; the children were thrilled!

Residents of Newfield House

On Wednesday, the residents of Newfield House, with whom we have many links, visited St John's. We were delighted to be presented with a

donation of £100 to our school, which has been used to fund the fountain in the peace garden, and some lighting which we look forward to using at Christmas. Many thanks to the residents for their generous donations to the school over many years, we are most grateful for their kind support.

Gold Book Assembly

The next Gold book assembly of this year will take place on Friday 18th November 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 – Blessie Holland & Mia Preston

Late Foundation – Charlie Owen & Olivia Scothern

Year 1 – Louis McGowan & Bradley Chocholski

Year 2 – Natasha Cook & Maddison Ball

Year 3 – Jack Davison & Zuzanna Gniewecka

Year 4 – Lyla Armitage & Willow Walding

Year 5 – George Conway & Evie Noble

Year 6 – Alex Ekers & Arun Purewal

100 Club

We still have some numbers remaining for the 100 club. These cost £10 per number.

Congratulations to last week's winners:

33 – Mrs Joanne Pritchard

48 – Emily Place

3 – Megan Holley

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

Monday 19th December – Whole School Mass, 10am in church (Weather permitting)

Friday 13th January – Whole school Mass, 10am in church (Weather permitting)

Diary Dates

Friday 18th November – Children in Need Day and bun sale

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, 3pm

Monday 5th to Friday 9th December – Reading Week

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

Tuesday 6th December – Year 1 Normanton Town Council Christmas Party

Tuesday 6th December – Visit from the author, Andy Seed

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

Friday 9th December – Year 1 and 2 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

Thursday 15th December – Normanton Town Council Christmas concert at St John's Church, featuring the St John the Baptist School Choir

Tuesday 20th December – Key Stage Two Christmas Dinner

Tuesday 20th December – Key Stage One Christmas Party

Wednesday 21st December – Key Stage One Christmas Dinner

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Wednesday 21st December – Early Foundation Nativity, 11am

Our Statement of Belief for week beginning 21st November is:

I can work, play, rest and pray each day

Lunchtime Menus for Week Beginning 21st November 2016

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Cheddar and tomato pasta bake	Chicken pitta bread and potato wedges	Roast gammon and roast potatoes	Beef lasagne	Fish and chips
Vegetable stir fry	Vegetable quiche	Cheese, leek and onion pasty	Vegetable chilli and rice	Vegetable Bolognese
Tuna jacket	Cheese jacket	Tuna jacket	Cheese jacket	Tuna jacket

