



St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School

A Voluntary Academy

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Newsletter: Spring Term 16th March 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we went to the 'movies' in school as we enjoyed a very successful PA Movie Night. The children had a fantastic time with lots of money raised by the PA for school. Thank you to all those PA members and staff who helped the evening run so smoothly.

Have a good week.

Mrs L Warters

Acting Headteacher

Red Nose Day

To join in with the fundraising we will be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 24th March. The children can wear their own clothes on that day and donate 50p to the Red Nose charity.

500 Words

We had many fabulous stories from a number of children throughout school. Congratulations to Grace Ashurst-Bagshaw in Year 6 and Lucas-Jay McIntyre in Year 2 who were the worthy winners of the school competition.

Easter Egg Extravaganza

During Lent, schools across the Diocese raise funds for the Good Shepherd Appeal. This is an appeal on behalf of the Bishop to support Catholic Care. Catholic Care support many in the community from both young and old. Our Mini Vinnies would like to respond to this fundraising appeal by holding an Easter Egg Raffle in school. Next Monday, 20th March, they will begin to sell raffle tickets for this appeal. Tickets will cost 20p each and children may bring their money to school, and purchase tickets from the school office at playtimes. Alternatively, parents may wish to purchase tickets from the school office, please see Miss Tudor.

We would greatly appreciate any contributions of chocolate treats or Easter eggs for prizes. The more we have, the more chances of winning a prize. The raffle will be drawn in the last week of term. Many thanks in advance.

Mother's Day Mass

On Sunday 26th March we will be joining with the parish to celebrate mass for Mother's Day. Please return the slip if you will be attending with your child. We are hoping that all the children will be involved in some part of the celebration.

Parents Evening

Letters regarding the Parents Consultation Evening have been sent home this week. Please return your appointment request by Monday 20th March. Mrs Ferguson our Pastoral, Behaviour and Learning Mentor will also be available both evenings if you wish to raise any concerns regarding your child.

Safeguarding

We recognise our moral and statutory responsibility to safeguard and promote the welfare of all children in our school community. We endeavour to provide a safe and welcoming environment where children are respected and valued. The children are helped through 'circle times' and assemblies to recognise the importance of keeping safe in day to day situations and online. To help our children further we have produced a child friendly Safeguarding Policy for our children. The children have brought home a copy of this policy today. Please share it with your child so they understand what to do if they are worried and need to talk.

Tanita Scales

Come along to our free health checks in school where you can have your body composition checked, advice about diet and lifestyle, and then have ongoing checks through the year to monitor your progress. Book a 15 minute private appointment at the school office.

Appointments will take place on Tuesday 4th April from 2.00 – 5.00pm.

Any further questions get in touch with Peter Ward from Wakefield Council on 01924 303722 or pward@wakefield.gov.uk

100 Club

Congratulations to last week's winners:
No. 39 – Mrs G. Thompson

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 23rd March – Class Mass Years 4/1

Sunday 26th March – mothering Sunday Mass in church 10.00am

Friday 7th April – Whole school Mass 10.00am in Church

Gold Book Assembly

The next Gold book assembly will take place this Friday 17th March 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 –

Late Foundation – Hollie Whitford & Shelbie Jordan

Year 1 – Louis McGowan & Dexter Donelan

Year 2 – Lillie Davies & Jasper Knowles

Year 3 – Niamh Grainger & Emilie Place

Year 4 – Arvy-Lee Hill & Theodore Cassidy

Year 5 – Alfie Martyn & Bradley Martyn

Year 6 – Jacob Guy & Nathan Lunn

Positive Behaviour System

Congratulations to our winning 'House' team last week.

The winners were **'Wind'**.

Diary Dates

Tuesday 21st March – Year 5/6 Girls Football – St Wilfrid's 4.00 – 6.00pm

Thursday 23rd March – Netball Match at St Joseph's Castleford 4.00 – 5.30pm

Sunday 26th March – Mothering Sunday Mass 10.00am at church

Monday 27th March – Parent's Evening, 3.30-6pm

Tuesday 28th March – Parent's Evening, 3.30-6pm

Wednesday 29th March – Year 4 Skipping Festival, St Wilfrid's

W.B. 3rd April – 'Journey towards Holy Week'

Monday 3rd April – LF/Y1/Y2 Palm Sunday reflection, 2.45pm Parents invited

Tuesday 4th April – Y3/Y4 Last Supper reflection, 2.45pm Parents invited

Wednesday 5th April – Early Foundation Stay and Play, 9-10.30am (Morning Nursery only)

Wednesday 5th April – Early Foundation Stay and Play, 12.30-2pm (Afternoon Nursery only)

Wednesday 5th April – Y5/Y6 Good Friday reflection, 2.45pm Parents invited

Friday 7th April – Easter Holiday

Attendance



Our school attendance target for each class is **97%**. Please find below the attendance figures for WC 6th March 2017. Congratulations to **Year 6** who had the winning attendance for the week.

Late Foundation	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
91%	91%	98%	97%	96%	92%	99%

Lunchtime Menus for Week Beginning 20th March 2017

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Spaghetti Bolognese	Chicken pie	Roast turkey	Sausages	Fish fingers
Cheese Pie	Pizza	Vegetarian casserole	Quorn korma & rice	Quorn lasagne
Cheese jacket	Tuna jacket	Cheese jacket	Tuna jacket	Cheese jacket

Our Ethos statement for the coming week is:

I can recognise comfortable and uncomfortable feelings