



St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School

A Voluntary Academy

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## **Newsletter: Spring Term 10<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a very busy first week back in school. The children have returned with great enthusiasm and an eagerness in their learning. This week we began the term with a celebration of Mass led by Fr Mark in celebration of the Feast of the Epiphany.

On behalf of all the staff, I would like to pass on our huge thanks for the many cards, presents and good wishes that we received before we broke up for the Christmas holidays. Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Warters

### **Young Voices**

Last night over 60 of our children attended Young Voices at Sheffield arena. This is a wonderful experience with the children joining in with hundreds of other children across Yorkshire and the North of England in song to make a huge choir. The children had a fantastic time singing with enthusiasm and demonstrating some amazing moves – including some of the staff! They were great ambassadors for the school. A huge thank you to the staff who took the children along to this event. Some of our staff even got a photo with Tony Hadley – lead singer of Spandau Ballet! Also many thanks to our many parents who come along to support such a fantastic event in our school calendar.

### **Uniform**

As we begin the New Year, may I take this opportunity to remind you of the uniform expectations. All children do need to have a pair of black pumps in school. These need to be in a good condition as they are worn indoors throughout the day. Children are **not** permitted to wear trainers, other than for outdoor PE. Children must wear sensible black shoes to school. Please also ensure that your child has a suitable warm and waterproof coat at all times and an outdoor PE kit. If your child is currently not wearing correct uniform please ensure they do so as soon as possible.

***Please ensure that all items of uniform and PE kit are clearly labelled with your child's name.***

### **Year 6 Maths and English information session for parents**

This Monday Mrs Scott will be hosting a Y6 Maths & English information session for parents at either 2.15pm or 6pm.

This session is designed to help parents understand the expectations of the Y6 English and Maths curriculum and ways in which they can help and support their child. Please respond to the information sent out via Groupcall to confirm your attendance at either the 2.15pm or 6pm session.

### **School Lunch themed menu**

On Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> January Dolce our lunch provider will be having a themed menu – the Great 1950's Diner. The menu will include Hot Dogs, Cheese and Pasta Bake, Sticky Toffee pudding and other choices of themed food. Please log on to your Live Kitchen account to order a themed meal for your child.

### **After School Clubs**

Our new programme of After School clubs began this week. The clubs are for all year groups unless specified. Please contact the school office if your child requires a place.

Monday – Netball

Tuesday – Football

Wednesday – Zumba

Thursday – Dodgeball

Art Club – Y4 & 5 (lunchtime)

Friday – Newspaper club (lunchtime)

Art Club Y4&5 (lunchtime)

Lunchtime Disco - all years

### **Smoking**

Please could all parents be reminded that the school has a strict 'No Smoking' policy on the school premises. This also includes the use of E Cigarettes and we ask that this policy is adhered to by all.

### **100 Club**

If you wish to purchase a 100 Club number for £10 for this academic year there are still some numbers available. Please contact the school office.

The winning number for the draw on the 14<sup>th</sup> December was number 30, Emily P (LF)

The grand draw took place on the 21<sup>st</sup> December and the winner of the £50 prize was number 46, Daniel O (Y6)

### **Masses at St John the Baptist Church**

Saturday at **6.00pm**

Sunday at **10.00am** – Children's Liturgy for children from LF to Y2 takes place during the 10.00am Mass during term time. All welcome.

### **Parish News**

#### **Confirmation (current Y6&7)**

The session for Y6 will take place on 12<sup>th</sup> January from 10.00am – 3.00pm

The session for Y7 will take place on 19<sup>th</sup> January from 10.00am – 3.00pm

On the 26<sup>th</sup> January a dress rehearsal will take place at 4.30pm – 5.45pm

Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation will take place at St Anne's Cathedral in Leeds on 5<sup>th</sup> February at 7.00pm

### **First Holy Communion (current Y4)**

There will be a meeting for parents of children preparing to receive the sacrament of Holy Communion on 10<sup>th</sup> February following the 10.00am Mass.

Sessions for the children are as follows:

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March – 10.00am – 3.00pm

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May – 10.00am – 3.00pm

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May – 4.30pm – 5.45pm

Dress Rehearsal – Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June 4.30pm – 5.45pm

All of the above sessions will take place in the Parish Hall

Celebration of First Holy Communion – Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June

### **Confirmation 2020 (current Y5)**

There will be an initial meeting for parents of children in current Y5 on 12<sup>th</sup> May following the 10.00am Mass with information regarding the sacrament of Confirmation in 2020.

### **Gold Book Assembly**

Gold book assembly will take place tomorrow Friday 11<sup>th</sup> January at 2.30pm. The following children have made it into



Our school attendance target for each class is **96%**. Classes are rewarded for achieving the highest attendance for the week. This is acknowledged in the weekly Gold Book Assembly

**Congratulations to Late Foundation who had the winning attendance for the week.**

### **Attendance**

Late Foundation	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
99.33%	90.33%	98.00%	94.67%	92.58%	96.21%	95.33%

the Gold Book this week. We are very proud of them, and their achievements:

**Lunchtime Awards** – Tom Y5 & Zuzanna K Y5

**Late Foundation** – Oscar & Skylah

**Year 1** – Florence & Michael

**Year 2** – Violet & Oliver

**Year 3** – Dixie & Summer-Rose

**Year 4** – Georgia & McKenzie

**Year 5** – Marcel & Frankie

**Year 6** – Junior, Lyla & Abby

### **Diary Dates**

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January** – Y6 Maths & English information session for parents (details to follow) 2.15pm or 6pm

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January** – Y6 SAT's Information evening for parents – 2.15pm or 6pm

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January** – Y1 Fire Station visit

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January** – Y5 Guitar Concert

**Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January** – Maths Information session for parents – Fractions, decimals and percentages

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February** – Y4 Skipping – St Wilfrid's

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February** – Half Term holiday

**Our Statement of Belief for this week was:**

*I know we are happiest when we are united*

**Safeguarding: Should you have any concerns regarding the safety of children please contact the Safeguarding Team. DSL: Mrs L Warters (Head of School) Deputy DSL: Mrs S Spittle Deputy DSL: Mrs D Ferguson Deputy DSL: Miss B Noone Mr K Flood (Executive Headteacher)**