



St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School
A Voluntary Academy

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Newsletter: Spring Term

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Dear Parents and Carers,

School has been a hive of activity this week and I have had the opportunity of seeing some lovely work. Our focus in this week's Gold Book is handwriting and presentation and those children who have been recognised as showing real improvement in their work over the last few weeks. Well done to all those who have made a huge effort with this. It is wonderful that the school is represented in many events across the district. Yesterday representatives from the Eco Council represented the school at Wakefield Town Hall in the Great Green Debate run by Renewi led by representatives from Wakefield Council. The children did really well presenting in front of over 70 people. I am sure we have some budding politicians of the future! Well done to them all.

Have a good week

Mrs Warters

Film Night

The Parents Association have arranged a film night to be held in school for children in Late Foundation to Year 6, on Tuesday 26th March. Please ensure that your booking form and money is returned to school by **Friday 22nd March**.

Red Nose Day

To join in with the fundraising, we will be holding a non-uniform day **tomorrow Friday 15th March**. The children can dress in red or wear red items on that day for a donation of £1.00 that will go to the Comic Relief charity.

Vacancies

We are currently recruiting for two Teaching Assistants and for a Lunchtime Supervisor. Please see the 'More' tab on the school website for further information regarding the positions and how to apply.

Fancy Dress Clothes

We would like some fancy dress clothes for KS1 to use/dress up in at playtimes. If you have any fancy dress clothes that are suitable and would like to donate them to school can you please send them into the school office. Thank you.

St Wilfrid's School Bus Service Consultation

Recently we made you aware that West Yorkshire combined authority were in consultation regarding school transport provision to St Wilfrid's from the Normanton and Altofts area. Thank you to those parents who have

submitted detailed feedback to the authority regarding the consultation. A BKCAT Trust organised meeting was held on the 7th March with Mr Wainwright from the combined authority, the Chair of the Trust several BKCAT Headteachers and Business managers including management staff from St Wilfrid's. Mr Wainwright confirmed in the meeting that the services mentioned above are unlikely to be affected by the proposed changes to the guidelines, he stated he was confident that the services will be in place in September 2019. I do hope that this information provides reassurance to families that there is no planned termination of any of the above services for September 2019. Thank you to all those families who responded.

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 numbers for the draw last week were number 56, N Cox and number 22, H Holmes.

Class Masses

All parents, parishioners and friends of the school are welcome to join us for school and class Masses which take place at 9.15am in the school hall.

Y5/6 – Thursday 21st March

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

First Holy Communion (current Y4)

Sessions for the children are as follows:

Saturday 11th May – 10.00am – 3.00pm

Saturday 18th May – 4.30pm – 5.45pm

Dress Rehearsal – Saturday 15th June 4.30pm – 5.45pm

All of the above sessions will take place in the Parish Hall
Celebration of First Holy Communion – 22nd June

Confirmation 2020 (current Y5)

There will be an initial meeting for parents of children in current Y5 on 12th 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 15th 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 – Kenzie Y4 & Hanna Y3

Late Foundation – Ava & Alex H

Year 1 – Conor & Oliver

Year 2 – Oliver & Jan

Year 3 – Aston & Layla

Year 4 – Alison & Alice

Year 5 – Sophia & Bartosz

Year 6 – Junior & Lyla

Diary Dates

Friday 15th March – Red Nose Day

Monday 18th March – Class Photographs

Friday 22nd March – Y4 Rothwell Music Festival

Tuesday 26th March – Film Night (LF-Y6)

Friday 29th March – Y6 Tag Rugby Tournament – (Team)

Monday 1st April – Y2 Skipping Tournament – St Wilfrid's

Wednesday 3rd April – Parents Evening 3.30pm – 6.00pm

Thursday 4th April – Parents Evening 3.30pm – 6.00pm

Tuesday 9th April – LF/KS1 Palm Sunday Assembly 9.15am

Wednesday 10th April – Y3/4 Last Supper Assembly 9.15am

Thursday 11th April – Y6/6 Good Friday Assembly 9.15am

Friday 12th April – Break up for Easter

Attendance



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 Year 1 who had the winning attendance for the week.

Late Foundation	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
97.33%	100.0%	99.03%	96.90%	96.88%	93.33%	98.67%

Our Statement of Belief for this week was:

I know what humility means

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)