



St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School
A Voluntary Academy

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Newsletter: Autumn Term 3rd October 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

We received the excellent news this week that the school has received the Eco Schools Green Flag award. This is an amazing achievement for the school. Huge thanks go to Mrs Tonks for all the hard work in co-ordinating our Eco Council, and to our school Eco councillors who do a fantastic job in ensuring our school responds well to this worthy challenge.

Mrs Warters

Harvest Festival

Many thanks to all of you who supported the Harvest Festival. The produce has been shared out with the local 'Well' project, the SVP and housebound in the Parish community.

A total of £33.70 was raised from tea and coffee donations for CAFOD. Thank you to the PA for organising the refreshments.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Many thanks to all who came along and supported our Macmillan Coffee Morning. Also for the many donations of cakes. We raised £372 for this very worthy cause. Congratulations also to our School Council who helped to organise the event. Well done!

Bikeability

Well done to our Y6 children who participated in Bikeability this week. This was a valuable life skill for cycling on the roads. It was also stressed how important it is to wear a helmet when cycling.

Open Morning

We will be holding an Open Morning for prospective parents for both Nursery and Foundation Stage. If you are considering applying for a school place for a sibling or know of someone who is considering our school for their child, you are warmly invited to attend on Wednesday 9th October from 9.30 – 11.30am. It will be an opportunity to look around the school, meet some of our school governors and staff. No appointment is necessary.

Flu Immunisation – change of date

Please note that we have been informed by the nursing team that the date of the Nasal Flu Vaccination has been changed to the **3rd December**.

Aldi's Kit for Schools vouchers

We are collecting the Aldi vouchers towards a sports kit and the chance to win £20,000. Please ask friends and relatives to collect these vouchers too so that we can reach our target of 300 stickers and the chance to win. Many thanks to all those who have sent in stickers so far.

Free School Meals

If you think your child may be eligible for Free School Meals please contact the school office for an application form. If you have any questions about your application or are unsure, please contact Miss Tudor who is happy to help on this issue.

Cheques

If you are sending in a cheque to school for payments please ensure that the cheques are made out to St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School. The bank are no longer accepting cheques that are just made out to St John's. We appreciate your support with this.

Bikes in the Playground

We are appealing to all parents and carers to ensure that neither they, nor their children ride scooters and bikes in the playground or staff car park. Children **must** dismount from bikes and scooters at the playground gate and walk to the bike shelter in the interests of safety for all our community.

School Photographs

Please can all orders for school photographs be returned to school by Friday 18th October. Many Thanks

INSET DAY

Please note that **Friday 25th October** is an INSET day for staff and school will **not be open** on that day. School will re-open after the half term holiday on Monday 4th November

Smoking on school premises

Smoking on school premises is **NOT** allowed this also includes E-cigarettes.

Young Voices

If your child wishes to attend the Young Voices concert at Sheffield Arena in January please return the order form sent home as soon as possible, so that tickets can be ordered. Please return the order forms for tickets and T-Shirts by next Friday October 11th. Orders will **not** be accepted after this date.

Masses at St John the Baptist Church

Saturday at **6.00pm**

Sunday at **10.00am** – Children's Liturgy takes place during the 10.00am Mass during term time. All welcome

Children's Liturgy - We remind parents that the Sunday Children's Liturgy of the Word is **only** for children up to, **but not including** those who have started their Preparation for or have already received the First Sacraments.

100 Club

If you wish to purchase a 100 Club number for £10 for this academic year please call in to the school office.

The winning numbers for the last few weeks are;

13.09.19 Hudson LF, Number 3,

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Gold Book Assembly

There will be no Gold Book assembly this Friday the next Gold book assembly will take place on the 11th October

The dates for Gold Book Assemblies this half term are:

Friday 11th October

Friday 18th October

Diary Dates

Wednesday 9th October – Open Morning for Nursery and Late Foundation for prospective parents

Wednesday 9th October – Y5 Residential to Robin Hoods Bay

Thursday 10th October – Y2 Maths information session for parents 3.30pm

Monday 21st October – Parent Consultation Evening, 3.30-6pm

Tuesday 22nd October - Parent Consultation Evening, 3.30-6pm

Thursday 24th October – Break up

Friday 25th October – INSET Day

Monday 11th November – Anti Bullying week

Monday 2nd December – Y5/6 Advent Praise 2.45pm

Tuesday 3rd December – Foundation Stage Inspire morning 9.15am

Wednesday 4th December – KS1 Inspire morning 9.15am

Thursday 5th December – PA Christmas Fair 3pm onwards

Friday 6th December – Half price book fair

Monday 9th December Y3/4 Advent praise 2.45pm

Thursday 12th December Foundation Stage Nativity 9.30am and 2.15pm

Friday 13th December – Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 16th December - Y1/2 Advent Praise 2.45pm

Tuesday 17th December – KS1 Nativity 9.30am and 2.00pm

Friday 20th December – School closes for Christmas

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 3 who had the winning attendance for last week.

Late Foundation	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
99.33%	98.00%	98.00%	100%	94.67%	98.79%	98.93%

Our Statement of Belief for this week was:

I know what to do if I see someone being hurt

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