



# St John the Baptist's Weekly Newsletter

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Faithfulness, Courage and Respect



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## Welcome families



Late Foundation have been brilliant this week throughout their Learn to Ride session. They have listened carefully, persevered, gained lots of new skills and had great fun. This week some of our Year 6 children have participated in a football tournament at St Wilfrid's. Children really enjoyed being able to play other teams in our BKCAT Trust.

We thank you for continuing to work together to keep our community safe as infection rates are still high locally. We are extremely vigilant in school with our cleaning, handwashing, and ventilation. We thank you for your continued support and partnership.

Father Mark visited school on Monday and our children loved speaking to Father as he walked around school. We have planned some special liturgies for the coming months that Father will share with us. It is great to look forward to coming together as a school community.

With the very best wishes, Mrs Hartley

## Virtue to live by: **Respect/Courtesy**

*I am respectful. I treat others as I would like to be treated. I show courtesy to everyone as we are all made in God's image and likeness.*



## Diary Dates

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October** – Dolce Space Theme Lunch

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October** – Individual Photographs

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October** – School Closes

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October** – Inset Day

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November** – School re-opens



## Attendance

Our school attendance target for each class is **96%**. Classes are rewarded for achieving the highest attendance for the week. **Congratulations to Year 5 who had the winning attendance for last week!**

Late Foundation	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
98.35%	96.60%	96.85%	96.40%	93.42%	99.31%	95.83%

## First Holy Communion

It was a beautiful Mass and lovely celebration last Sunday for the children that made their First Holy Communion this year. Following Mass children had a shared meal together in the parish hall.

## Safeguarding

Should you have any concerns regarding the safety of children please contact the safeguarding team.

**DSL:** Mrs Hartley (Head of School)

**Deputy DSLs:** Mrs S Spittle, Mrs D Ferguson, Miss B Noone and Mr Flood (Executive Headteacher)

## Celebration Assembly

We will continue to celebrate together fortnightly, and we will have our next Gold Book assembly next week.



## Eco Council and School Council

Elections for the above will be held in classes week beginning 27<sup>th</sup> September. Exciting times!

## Wednesday Word

Please see the link below for this week's Wednesday Word.

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/goodness?pid=MTA101634&v=38.19>

## 100 Club

The 100 Club will continue this year, if you previously had a number then please look out for the letter that was sent out this week and return the reply slip and money if you wish to continue to be a member.

## CONFIRMATION-Message from Father Mark

We are hoping to celebrate Confirmation for YEAR 7 and above on the Solemnity of Christ the King, 21st November at 10am. If the Bishop grants the permission and faculty, I will celebrate the Sacrament in St John's. YEAR 6 will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with Bishop Marcus at a Deanery Confirmation early in the new year. However, all those to be Confirmed (CURRENT YEAR 6 AND ABOVE) are asked to complete and return the application form which is available from Fr Mark after either the Vigil or Sunday Mass only.

## Please can children bring a coat to school

As the weather is changing, please can children bring a coat to school. Many thanks in advance.

## St Wilfrid's Open Day

Children and families are invited to attend the open day held at St Wilfrid's on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> September, 10:30-1:30pm.

## Dolce Space Themed Lunch – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October

Our School lunch providers are holding a special Space Themed Lunch on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October. Please see the attached flyer with the menu choice. There is also the chance of a 'winning plate' for a Key stage 2 child to win a £5 Amazon gift card!

