



St John the Baptist's Weekly Newsletter

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Faithfulness, Courage and Respect



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Welcome families

On Monday, Mrs Steadman led our mental health and wellbeing day assembly, continuing with the Mental Health Week theme, My Voice Matters. One of the things Mrs Steadman talked about was the power of positive affirmations and it has been great to see this ripple through St John's this week.

I led a Lenten liturgy on Monday afternoon and we talked about this important time in our liturgical year and how we can make a change for the better. I shared a beautiful message from Pope Francis, "I hope that we will live Lent well, following Jesus and carrying within us a ray of his love for all those we meet."

Last night, at St John's Church, it was wonderful to see some of our Y6 children receive the sacrament of Confirmation. It was a wonderful celebration and a very special evening.

Our amazing PA will be organising our annual Easter Raffle and an Egg decorating competition. We are also very fortunate to have an exciting mobile farm visit, after the Easter break, which all children in school will have the opportunity to experience. More information to follow about these events via our message system!

With all good wishes, Mrs Hartley



Virtue to live by: Self-control

*I know that loving my neighbour means loving EVERYONE.
I show my compassion when I am patient, understanding and
loving to my neighbour.*



Diary Dates

Monday 26th February-Y2 Parent Information meeting 9-9.30am and 3.15-3.45pm

Friday 1st March – Non-Uniform Day (donations of Easter Eggs or Chocolate items for Easter Raffle.)



Our Catholic Life and Mission

During Lent, children from KS2 and Y2 will be joining the morning Parish Mass at Church at 9.30am. We are sharing these dates now to give as much notice as we can as it would be wonderful if families are able to celebrate Mass with us on these days.

Tuesday 20th February-Year 6

Tuesday 27th February- Year 5

Tuesday 5th March- Year 4

Tuesday 19th March- Year 2 and 3

This is the Feast of St Joseph which is Y2's Class Saint.

Please use the link below to see the Parish Bulletin.

<https://www.stjohnthebaptistnormanton.>

We are sharing the dates of our **Holy Week Liturgies** to give families as much notice as possible. We warmly invite families to attend the liturgies.

Holy Week Liturgies

Monday 25.3.24 9.15-10.15am Palm Sunday Liturgy - Rec/Y1

Tuesday 26.3.24 9.15-10.15am The Last Supper Liturgy - Y2/ Y3

Thursday 28.3.24 9.15-10.15am Good Friday Liturgy - Y5

After Easter break

Tues 16.4.24 -9.15-9.45am- Y6 Resurrection Collective Worship

Friday 19.4.24 9.30-10.30 Roll Back the Stone - Y4 Performance

Safeguarding

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

DSL: Mrs Hartley (Headteacher)

Deputy DSLs: Mrs D Ferguson, Miss B Noone, Mrs G Martin (Deputy Headteacher) and Mrs L Steadman



Attendance

Our school attendance target for each class is 96%. Classes are rewarded for achieving the highest attendance for the week.

Congratulations to Reception Class who had the winning attendance last week and won gold.

Gold – Reception Class Silver – Year 3 & Year 4

Celebration Assembly

We are really looking forward to celebrating Gold Book Assembly together next week.



Wednesday Word

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

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/half-term-holiday-special?pid=MTA101634&v=119.3>

100 Club

The winner for last week was number 46, Grace F, Year 5

Lunches

Over the last few weeks there have been several children that have not ordered their lunches. Please where possible can you log in to your child's SchoolGrid account and pre order at home to ensure your child has the lunch they would like. Donna, our cook, cook's meals to order so is important the information is correct.

Also, please note, if you pre order a school lunch and send your child in with a packed lunch then you will be charged if the meal has been cooked.

Dolce

We have been informed by Dolce that there will be a price increase from the **1st April** for school lunches.

Nursery children's lunches are currently £2.28 and will increase to £2.50

KS2 children's lunches are currently £2.60 and will increase to £2.84.

Crossing Patrol

Please note that our Crossing Patrol will be absent from site from 16.2.24. This is from the first day back and he could be absent for a couple of months. We will keep you informed if we receive any information about a replacement or when he will return.



School office/Entrance Door

Over half term, changes were made to the school office entrance door. Our Trust installed an intercom on the external door to the school office. You will need to press the buzzer on the outer door to alert a member of the office staff to enter the school office area.

Many thanks for your continued support.