

## St John Fisher News

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#### Citizen of the Week

The first recipient of the year is **Phoebe Kilbride** (Y2) who has been chosen for the way she has understood this week's statement to live by and is able to say nice things about herself and others. Phoebe has also shown a great deal of determination this week, as she has felt a bit under the weather but has been determined to come to school every day. She told Mrs Broadhead that she did not want to miss any learning! Congratulations Phoebe, well done for showing such great determination! We are all proud of you!

St John Fisher Primary - A Catholic Voluntary Academy



# OPEN MORNING

Saturday 26 September 2015

10:00am - 12:00pm



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for children starting school September 2016

#### **SJF Open Morning**

We are holding our second Open Morning next week on **Saturday 26th September 2015** from 10.00am to 12.00pm for the parents and carers of children who are due to start primary school in September 2016. It will be a great opportunity for them to have a look around and find out lots about our school by talking to children, staff, Governors and parents. If you would like to help us please get in touch.

If you know anyone who might be interested, please let them know. Thank you.

#### **Building Works**

This week I met with our architects and contractors and it was confirmed that work will start on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2015 to replace the roof, fascia boards, soffits, guttering and downpipes. Work is expected to start on the children's toilets at the same time but the exact details of this programme of works is yet to be confirmed. Both projects are expected to take approximately nine weeks to complete.

#### **PTFA Information Evening**

I would like to thank our PTFA for organising their information evening this week. We are so grateful to them for all they do for us; from organising events like Santa in School Day, discos, family nights, the Friday Fayre, paying for transport to and from the pantomime - to decorating and restocking our library and providing wonderful resources for all our children to use in school.



Unfortunately only two parents attended, which was a shame after all the work that had gone into organising the evening. That said, it was a positive meeting with lots to celebrate and give thanks for. If you can spare a little time to get involved, even if it is to help at just one event, it would make such a huge difference and would really be appreciated by everyone. The committee always looks for feedback, especially if you have suggestions that will make it easier for people to get involved. They want your ideas too, so please get involved if you can. Thank you.

trips for schools



#### PTFA: Fantastic Fundraising Opportunity

The Happy Egg Company is running a fantastic promotion with Kingswood – the place where our children now have residential educational visits.

For every box of eggs you buy the school can receive a £10 donation towards the cost of next year's Y5 visit!

#### That's right £10 per box!

The amount we can raise is capped at £1000 but any money raised would be used to subsidise next year's Y5 Kingswood residential visit, with the money being shared equally in order to bring the cost-per-pupil down for children attending in October 2016. Sadly, we are too late for this year's trip.

So please start collecting promotional packs that have the special code on them and make sure you register the code on the Happy Egg Co/Kingswood 'Trips for Schools' website by 30<sup>th</sup> September. If you have no internet access at home, then let us know and we will help you in school. Please ask your family and friends to do the same on our behalf as this is a great opportunity to save money. Thank you.

#### A reminder that this fantastic opportunity ends on 30th September 2016

#### Top Table

This week's winning family is the Jackdaws! Congratulations to Abdullah, Emma, Ruby, Diana, Daniel, Jacob, Dylan and Finley we are all very proud of you all!

#### My Maths

Children in Years 1-6 have been given a personal login for the 'My Maths' website, <u>www.mymaths.co.uk</u>. Teachers will be setting maths homework for their class via this website.



#### **Achievements Outside of School**

- Erin Gent in Y2 has been very busy, achieving her 200m distance swimming award and the British Gymnastics Proficiency Level 3 Award (Level 1 is the highest). Congratulations Erin, what fantastic achievements!
- Tamzin Samba in Y2 has moved to Stage 4 in swimming! Well done Tamzin!

#### **Celebration Assemblies**

Congratulations to all the children mentioned at today's assembly. Thank you also to all the family members and friends of our Y2 children who were able to join us, it was great to see you.

Next Friday (25<sup>th</sup> September) the parents, carers, family and friends of our Y3 pupils are invited to join us for the celebration assembly at 3.00pm in the school hall.

#### Weekly Liturgy of the Word

I would like thank the young people and staff of **Y6** for leading this week's liturgy, as well as the family and friends who came along to support them. Next week our liturgy will be led by the young people of **Y4** (as the Y5 children are on residential at Kingswood). We also invite the family and friends of our **Y4** pupils to come along and join us in the school hall just after 9.00am. Thank you.

#### **Parish News**

The next children's Mass will be on Sunday, 20th of September 2015 at 10.30 at Our Lady of Lourdes Church. The Mass will be led by the "Immaculata" Group and children will lead the liturgy. Anyone who wants to join the Imaculata Group is most welcome.

#### **Writing Champions**

Our fantastic Writing Champions this week are:

| FS2             | Year 1               | Year 2           | Year 3  | Year 4              | Year 5              | Year 6              |            |
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|                 |                      |                  |   |                     |                     |                     |            |
| Jessica<br>Ball | Sophie<br>Hemmingway | Maks<br>Jasinski | Joseph<br>Kandare   | Bertie<br>Pickering | Isabella<br>Ramsden | Joseph<br>Holmeshaw |            |
|                 |                      |                  | Please look out for their fantastic work in the school ha |                     |                     |                     | hool hall! |

#### **Golden Children**

This week's Golden Children are:

| FS2    | <b>Azaan Javid</b> for being a brilliant role-model; reliable, sensible and a good all-rounder! Well done Azaan!   |
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| Year 1 | <b>Mia Lovelock</b> for being a very kind and helpful little girl and a super buddy to the new children who have joined the class! A little superstar!                                     |
| Year 2 | <b>Sophie Harwood</b> for being so supportive to her class friends! Well done Sophie, we are all very proud of you!  |
| Year 3 | Eesaa Din for having a fantastic attitude towards all his work! Well done!   |
| Year 4 | <b>Finley Mappin</b> for working hard in Mathematics and for improving his presentation! Keep up the great work Finley!  |
| Year 5 | <b>Emma Waters &amp; Melissa Clayton</b> for being determined to do well in Mathematics! Keep it up girls please!  |
| Year 6 | <b>Sara Mura</b> for making a fantastic start to Year 6! She has shown a brilliant attitude and has been particularly determined to improve in Mathematics. Well done! A super role-model! |

#### <u>Reminder</u>

A reminder that there are important meetings after school this week about next year's Y6 residential to Hollowford and the Y5 and Y4 residential visits to Kingswood. So to be clear:

- the Hollowford meeting is for the parents/carers of pupils in Year 5 currently
- the Kingswood meeting is a joint one for the parents/carers of pupils in Years 3 and 4 currently



#### **Attendance This Week**

| Year 2        | 99.0% | Will be visited by Bobby Bear      |
|---------------|-------|------------------------------------|
| Year 4        | 98.8% | Will be visited by Brenda Bear     |
| Year 1        | 98.3% | Will be visited by Elvis the Owl   |
| Year 3        | 97.5% |                                    |
| FS2           | 95.8% |                                    |
| Year 6        | 95.7% |                                    |
| Year 5        | 94.2% |                                    |
| Weekly Target | 97%   | This week's Average Attendance 97% |

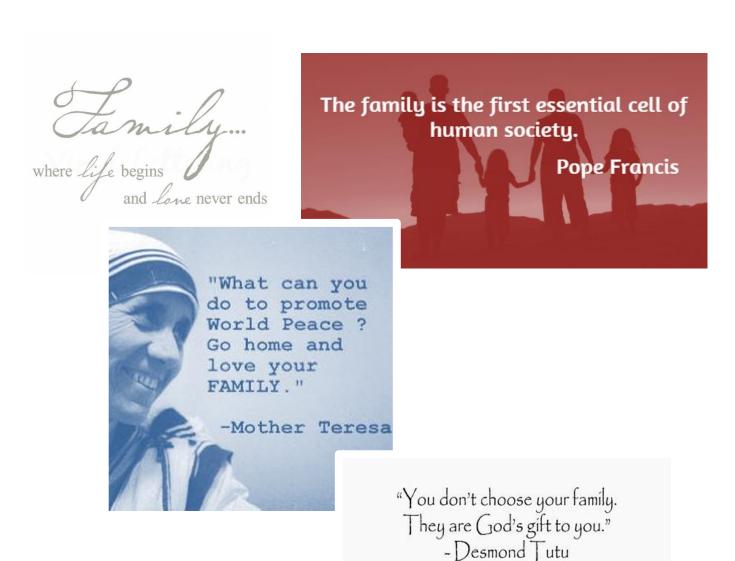
#### New Playground Equipment

Please do not use the new play equipment until notified. We thank you for your patience.

#### Statement to Live By

We start our year with the same 'statement to live by' that when finished the last year with, and that is: "I am part of a family at school and at home"

**Time to talk:** What does the word 'family' mean to you? What is special about your family? How does our family help us? What do we do to help our family? Why do we say that St John Fisher is like a family? Who is your sister? Who is your brother? What part does love play in a family?



Have a fantastic weekend.

Best wishes, Mr Barratt