

St John Fisher News

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Citizen of the Week

This week's recipient is Lorenzo Dizon who tries to be just and fair in line with our Statement to Live By this week. Lorenzo is a fantastic role model in school and always treats others with kindness and respect. He does his best at all times and if ever he has made a mistake, he will always take responsibility and do what he can to make things right. Lorenzo is a super young man and we are all very proud of him.

Be Safe Be Happy Week

Here is a brief round-up of what each class got up to last week. Please see the class blogs for more information.

During 'Be Safe, Be Happy Week' the children in **FS2** were learning all about ways to keep themselves healthy and clean.

On Monday we talked about the importance of doing exercise to keep our bodies healthy before we did our weekly PE session.

On Tuesday we talked about the importance of washing hands. We discussed good bacteria and bad bacteria and learned a song to help us think about how to wash our hands thoroughly.

On Wednesday we learned about how to keep our teeth clean through a healthy diet and brushing our teeth. All the children were given their own toothbrush and toothpaste to keep.

On Thursday we learned about how to keep safe online. We talked about the importance of NEVER giving any personal information on the computer and to talk to an adult if they see or hear something that makes them feel uncomfortable.

On Friday the children discussed how to be a good friend and we talked about what to do if someone is not kind to them.

Throughout the week the class role play has been a doctors and the children have been role-playing how to take care of each other.



Year 1 enjoyed a visit from fireman Sam who taught them how to be safe with matches, safety when charging phones and how to make a fire plan.

Mrs Denham, the nurse, visited and showed the children how to REALLY clean their hands. They also learned about online safety with Miss D'Roza and Smartie the penguin.

Year 2 also had the wonderful experience of meeting fireman Sam and nurse Denham. They acted out how to wash germs away and created their own 'Fire Plan'. They also acted out antibullying and ways to be safe online. Thank you to the volunteers who came to support Year 2's learning. It was a really valuable experience.

Children in **Y3** made posters about staying safe at home and at the beach, looked at how to stay safe online, and thought about their responsibilities to make sure that everyone is happy, and safe from bullying.

In **Year 4**, on Monday and Tuesday, the children talked about road safety and the importance of wearing bright colours when walking at night. They also talked about where it is best to cross a road.

During the rest of the week they looked at online safety and things that we need to do to keep safe online. These were important things like only telling your usernames and passwords to a trusted adult. We also discussed the importance of only talking to people online that you know in the real world. The children then created posters using 'Comic Life'.

Year 5 learnt about lots of ways they can be safe. As they are becoming more independent, the children learnt about road

safety and how to cross a road safely. They also learnt about hygiene, in particular the importance of hand washing. They did a fantastic experiment involving chalk and looked at the places chalk appeared when they didn't wash it off their hands. Throughout the year, they will continue to look at e-safety.

The children in **Y6** looked at how to be safe online and have written and starred in their own Online-Safety video. This will be on their blog soon.





As part of the Telling Tales Project, with the Birley Family of Schools, 8 children from Year 5 and Year 6 were chosen to attend a writers' workshop with Malcom Rose. Malcom talked to the children about what it was like to be a writer; how he writes his books and where he gets his ideas from. The children had the opportunity to write their own 'dark' story and have a published author comment on their work. Our children did the school proud with their writing.

Chemistry Visit

On Wednesday the Y6 children were visited by two Chemists from Sheffield University (Alec and Ian who are currently completing PhDs in Chemistry). They came to talk to the children about atoms and molecules and the ways scientists measure objects in our universe. At the end of the presentation the

children were able to make their own molecule: 'Buckminsterfullerene' which is a carbon molecule.

Children in Need

We would like to thank the children and their families for donating money to dress in something spotty last week. They all look brilliant! A huge and special 'thank you' to our PTFA for coordinating the event and for running the bun sale. Every penny raised will be passed on to the BBC appeal. A really happy day in school, thank you everyone!



Sparkle Bake-Off

We were delighted to welcome the Lord Mayor into school on Wednesday this week, after she had been in attendance at the Sparkle Sheffield Bake-Off in the Church Hall. The Mayor was very impressed with what she saw in school, and particularly with the children's politeness and engagement in their learning.

Achievements Outside of School

- Bethany Beatson, Amelia Denham, Emily Cowlishaw, Jack Swain, Keira Ambrose and Vinny Ambrose
 performed amazingly at a Swimming Gala last Sunday with Superswimmers. Everyone received a
 medal. Well done! We are all very proud of you!
- Olivia Whitely in Y1 has achieved her level 1 swimming certificates. Well done Olivia!

Term 2 Smiley Scores So Far...









The Catholic Life of the School

Weekly Liturgy of the Word

On Thursday 1st December our **Y3** children will be leading the weekly Liturgy of the Word. As usual, family and friends are welcome to join us for this in the hall at 9.00am.

Weekly Celebration Assembly

On Friday 2^{nd} December we invite the family and friends of our **Y2** children to join us in the hall at 2.55pm for our Celebration Assembly.

Calendar Change

As we have our Diocesan RE inspection on **Tuesday 5th December**, the **Year 5** children will be leading a Liturgy on this day, starting at just after 9.00am. Family and friends of our Y5 children are very welcome to join us for this as with our usual Liturgies.

The Y2 Liturgy that was scheduled for Thursday 8th December will be cancelled.



Daily Advent Class Reflections

From Monday 28th November we will start our daily Advent reflections in each class. These are a lovely way to mark the specialness of this season of preparation. There will be three reflections in each class per week, on each day except PE days and Fridays. As in previous years, parents, carers, family and friends are welcome to join us but spaces are limited and should be booked on the day you wish to attend through the School Office.

Please arrive at 3.00pm if you are attending a class reflection: prayers start at 3.10pm and we won't be able to interrupt once the reflection has begun. Thank you.

Year of Mercy Pilgrimage

On Tuesday, all the children in school took part in a reflective Year of Mercy Pilgrimage to mark the end of this special church year. We visited different stations reflecting on the different works of mercy and finished with everyone making a promise about how we can be more merciful in the future!

Each child also took home a special bookmark as a gift to commemorate the

special day.





Parent Advice and Support - Drop-in Sessions

Sue Bernarde from the MAST Parent Support Team will be in the school library from **8.30am on Thursday mornings** to offer support and advice to parents. This may be as simple as finding out what services are available for parents in Sheffield. It may be around specific advice e.g. about a parenting issue – sleep routines, behaviour management, or about housing issues, debt and other general advice and support. If you would like to pre book an appointment please speak to Mrs Asquith who will be able to pass on your name to Sue. This is a new service for our school and so we hope that people will take the opportunity to pop in and have a chat with Sue.

Writing Champions						
FS2	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Owen Ford	Dylan Steenson	Ethan Yan	Bethany Beatson	Rafal Boratyn	Harry Parkin	Isabella Ramsden

Golden Children

FS2	Hannah Dworak for being so much more confident in talking. Hannah read all her green words brilliantly to Mrs Darken today.					
Year 1	Kessy Higiro for being a superstar in maths and always trying her best. Keep it up!					
Year 2	Jacob Genita for being a maths wizard with subtraction this week!					
Year 3	Isla Atkinson for being well-behaved and always trying hard. Well done Isla!					
Year 4	Evie Ramsden for working hard all week and producing some great pieces of work!					
Year 5	Daniel De Sousa for writing a great introduction in his letter to say thank you for the love and care he receives.					
Year 6	Evie Stamford for working really hard in all areas and being a fantastic role model!					

Attendance This Week					
FS2	95.3%				
Year 1	96.1%				
Year 2	95.9%				
Year 3	<mark>98.7%</mark>		Bobby and Brenda Bear will visit next week		
Year 4	<mark>98.1%</mark>		Elvis the Owl will visit next week		
Year 5	<mark>98.4%</mark>		Bobby and Brenda Bear will visit next week		
Year 6	<mark>97.8%</mark>				
Weekly Target	97%	This week's Average Attendance	<mark>97.3%</mark>		

Staff News

We are delighted to announce that Mrs Drake has been appointed as the new Year 3 teacher to take over from Miss Scholey after Christmas.

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Miss Kiernan will be moving into Year 1 to work with Mrs Sambrook, covering Mrs Bishop's maternity leave.

Statement to Live By

Next week our 'statement to live by' is "I can tell you how I look after myself"

Time to talk: Together you could think about all the ways we can look after ourselves. You could try hard to eat healthily and exercise regularly. You could try hard to play in the fresh air rather than inside all the time. You could go for walks in the woods or play in the park with your parents or grandparents. You could also think about what you should do if anyone or anything makes you feel uneasy or unhappy. Who can you tell?

Have a great weekend.

Best wishes, Mrs Evans Eat like you love yourself.

Move like you love yourself.

Speak like you love yourself.

Act like you love yourself.