

SJF NEWS

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★ Citizen of the Week (1)

★ Our first recipient of this special award was **Elliot** (Y1) who has made a super start to the new school year and impressed everyone with his fantastic attitude. He understands that we are all special, in line with our 'Statement to Live By', and has been generous in showing kindness to others. By doing this he has also set a great example to the other children. His raw enthusiasm; his awesome imagination; and his unbridled excitement when learning new things are so infectious. He just knows that everyone is special. What a star!

★ Citizen of the Week (2)

★ This week's recipient is **Jason** (Y6) who has also made a great start to the new school year. He understands that it is very important to be kind to others and ourselves. One of the ways we can do this is to be able to say positive things about ourselves, just as we do about others. What a great role-model you are!

COVID-19 Update



COVID-19 Coronavirus

A really useful guide for parents and carers regarding COVID-19 related pupil absence has been emailed to everyone today. It is also available on the SJF website homepage by clicking [here](#).

Governorship at SJF



Our Governing Body is looking for new members with skillsets and experience that will support us e.g. a background in finance, law, human resources, education, health and safety, safeguarding, business etc. If you want to find out more please contact the School Office. Thank you.

Forthcoming Events

Click [here](#) to link to our online calendar. Below is a summary of forthcoming events.

21-09-20	• FS2 PE uniform all day
22-09-20	• Y1 + Y2 PE uniform all day
23-09-20	• Y3 + Y4 PE uniform all day • Y3 Liturgy of the Word - FILMING
24-09-20	• Y5 + Y6 PE uniform all day • Y3 Liturgy of the Word – video available to watch by clicking here • Reminder to order school lunches for the following week (or weeks)
25-09-20	• Celebration Assembly via Zoom to all classes, photographs available here
28-09-20	• FS2 PE uniform all day • Start of SJF Black History Month
29-09-20	• Y1 + Y2 PE uniform all day • Y6 Relationship & Sex Education Workshop (arrangements to be finalised)
30-09-20	• Y3 + Y4 PE uniform all day • Y2 Liturgy of the Word - FILMING
01-10-20	• Y5 + Y6 PE uniform all day • Y2 Liturgy of the Word – video available to watch by clicking here • Reminder to order school lunches for the following week (or weeks)
02-10-20	• Celebration Assembly via Zoom to all classes, photographs available here

Term 1 Curriculum Overviews

The Term 1 Curriculum Overviews will be shared in due course. Thank you.



Review & Target-Setting Meetings

Thank you to everyone who booked an appointment for a telephone meeting with their children's teachers this week in order to discuss their experiences since lockdown, wellbeing issues, progress, achievement and targets for the new year. We plan to run the next round meetings, following Assessment Point 2, in a similar way. As soon as we can return to face-to-face meetings safely, we will do so.

REMINDER: SJF Open Morning 2020

Due to restrictions it will not be possible to run our annual Open Morning this year. Arrangements are still being finalised regarding visits for prospective parents/carers though it is likely that these will have to be limited to a telephone or zoom meeting conversation and virtual tour of school, for the time being at least.

Parish News

Information about parish and Diocesan life including the times of Masses and Confession and sacramental preparation is available via this link to the parish website: <http://www.ourladyoflourdessheffield.org.uk/>.

School Uniform

Here are the links to the SJF pages on the websites of our two official suppliers:

- for **Logo Leisurewear** SJF uniform please click [HERE](#)
- for **School Trends** please click [HERE](#)

Parents and carers can also purchase uniform items in the correct colours without a logo from other sources. Please note that our official suppliers are the only organisations permitted to sell SJF uniform with a logo.





Earrings and Jewellery

Children are **not** permitted to wear earrings/studs or any jewellery to school. Sensible watches are permitted.

School Shoes

Whilst trainers/high boots can be worn to/from school e.g. in bad weather or to play football at break-times, pupils are expected to wear proper school shoes in school i.e. NO high boots or trainers (even all black ones).

House Information

Emblem	Head of House	Actual Feast Day	SJF Colour Day	2019/20 Charity
	Miss D'Roza	Monday 30 th November 2020	Members' Blue Day: Monday 30 th November 2020	Mission Together
	Mrs Raynes	Monday 1 st March 2021	Members' Yellow Day: Monday 1 st March 2021	CAFOD
	Mrs Pickering	Wednesday 17 th March 2021	Members' Green Day: Friday 19 th March 2020	The Bishop's Good Shepherd Appeal 2020/21
	Mr Johnson	Friday 23 rd April 2020	Members' Red Day: Friday 23 rd April 2020	FABLE

Term 1 Smiley Scores

St Andrew's House  44	St David's House  38	St Patrick's House  47	St George's House  51
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School Council Elections 2020

This week we held elections for School Council and House Captain positions for this academic year. There were lots of candidates all willing to stand for election and to work hard on behalf of the other children in school. I would like to thank each and every candidate who took part, and I am so proud of them all.

Mr MacInnes, our School Council Coordinator, will share a full report in next week's newsletter, which will include information on the House Captains, but I can tell you that the children elected this week were:

- **Chair of the Council** Marisa
- **Vice-Chair of the Council** Sophie
- **Treasurer of the Council** Summer
- **Joint Secretaries of the Council** Rosie and Jacob

REMINDER: Pupil Premium Grant

If you are (or have been) in receipt of benefits of one kind or another then your children might be entitled to a Pupil Premium Grant and free school meals. The grant is also available to children in care or those with parents serving in the UK armed forces. The grant provides school with much needed additional funds to support vulnerable children. It is therefore very important that you tell us, in confidence, if you are entitled to it.

Some eligible parents/carers with children in FS2/Y1/Y2 forget to claim because their children are already receiving free school meals as part of the government infant free school meals scheme. It is really important that these parents/carers also apply for the Pupil Premium Grant if they are entitled so we can receive as much funding as possible. If you think you might be entitled please phone (01142485009) or email (enquiries@st-johnfisher.org) or speak to colleagues in the School Office.



Golden Children

FS2	The whole class for making a fantastic start!
Y1	Peter for taking part in activities positively and completing everything with a smile! He has such a super sense of humour and is doing so well sharing toys and activities with his friends! Well done Peter you are a superstar!
Y2	Scarlett for making a super start to Y2; showing amazing listening behaviours and attempting everything even if she finds it difficult at first! One determined young lady! Well done!
Y3	Erin for showing great determination in Maths this week! She tried, tried and tried again and succeeded in the end! It was Brilliant to see! What a great example you are sunshine!
Y4	Mia for making a great start to Y4 and for having a great attitude to learning and giving everything a go! Fantastic! Keep it up!
Y5	Mateah for making a brilliant start to the year and for engaging so positively in every lesson so far in Year 5. She is always polite and friendly to her classmates and adults too. Keep it up!
Y6	Alex for making a brilliant start to Y6! Everyone has been so impressed with his effort and attitude, well done!

Writing Champions








FS2	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
--	Matilda	Max	Noah	Cavani	Olivia M	Fred



















PTFA News

The next 'Bags2School' collection will be on **Friday 16th October 2020**. Please bring in all your unwanted clothing items so that the PTFA can exchange them to raise money for school. Please use your own plastic bags if you do not have the official ones. All unclaimed lost property will be donated to support our fantastic PTFA. If you can help email them on ptfa@st-johnfisher.org. Thank you.








W/C 07-09-20			
1 st	Y1		100%
2 nd	Y3		99.3%
3 rd	Y2		98.6%
4 th	Y5		90.9%
5 th	Y4		89.7%
6 th	Y6		88.4%
7 th	FS2		--
Target = 98%		Average Attendance = 94.4%	



Get Set, GO!			
1 st	FS2		--
2 nd	Y1		--
3 rd	Y2		--
4 th	Y3		--
5 th	Y4		--
6 th	Y5		--
6 th	Y6		--
Average = --			

Attendance this week			
1 st	Y1		100% Bobby Bear will visit next week
1 st	Y2		100% Brenda Bear will visit next week
3 rd	Y6		99.3% Elvis Owl will visit next week
4 th	Y3		97.6%
5 th	Y4		97.5%
6 th	FS2		96.5%
7 th	Y5		95.3%
Target = 98%		Average Attendance = 98%	



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6 th	Y5		--
6 th	Y6		--
Average = --			

Achievements outside of School

Please send details of any of your children's achievements outside of school to us via our main email address (enquiries@st-johnfisher.org) and they will be included in the newsletter. It does not matter what the achievement is and whether it is big or small, if it is important to your child, then I would be delighted to share the good news and celebrate it!

This week's achievements are:

- **Rebecca** in **Y2** has achieved her Level 4 swimming badge at 'Super Swimmers' this week! Congratulations Rebecca! We are all very proud of you!

Catholic Life

September Prayer

Hail Mary full of grace, the Lord is with thee

Blessed art thou amongst women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus

Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us now and at the hour of our death. Amen

'Coming In' Song

Ubi caritas et amor (Where charity and love are, God is there)

Ubi caritas, deus ibi est

Weekly Liturgy of the Word

I would like to thank the children of **Y5** for leading our Liturgy of the Word this week. Next week the 'Liturgy of the Word' will be led by the children of **Y3**. It will be filmed on Wednesday 23rd September and will be available to watch the day after. You can access films on the homepage or by clicking [here](#). Thank you.

Celebration Assembly

This will take place on Friday in the classrooms. It will not be recorded. Photographs of the recipients of awards etc. will be published in the Class Zone on the SJF website, which you can reach by clicking [here](#).



Registration for First Holy Communion and Confirmation

Fr Bede, our new Parish Priest at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church would like you to know that registration is now open for children who would like to make their (i) First Holy Communion and/or (ii) Confirmation next year. Please check out the 'News' section of our SJF website for more information or click [here](#).

Statement to Live By

Our 'statement to live by' next week will be: **"I try to forgive others when they hurt me"**

Time to talk: Together you could think about what the word *forgiveness* means.

Why is it so important?

Why is it difficult sometimes?

Why does Jesus challenge us to forgive others when they hurt us?

Can you remember a time when you offered forgiveness?

Can you think of a time when someone showed you forgiveness?

How does it feel after forgiveness is shared?

How can offering a gift of forgiveness help make our world a better place?



Best wishes,
Mr Barratt

