

# SJF NEWS



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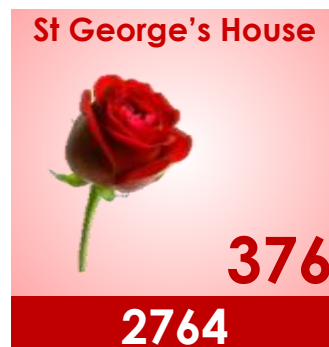
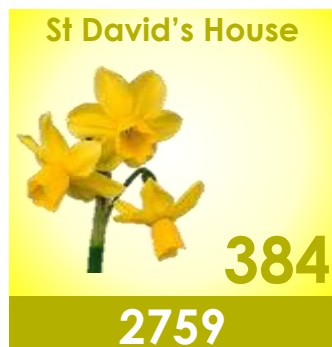
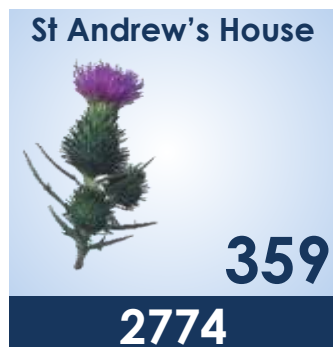
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Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023

## Citizen of the Week

This week's citizenship award was presented to Rebecca in **Y4** for knowing why it is so important to try and use kind words to help make the world better. Rebecca can be incredibly kind and encouraging to others. She understands that words are powerful, and can be used so positively, to build others up. She therefore tries very hard in school to choose and use words that will help others feel happy and better about themselves. In doing so, she also sets such a wonderful example. We are all very proud of her! Congratulations, Rebecca!

## Term 4 Smiley Scores



## Green Day 2023

The feast of St Patrick is on **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March 2023**, and the members of St Patrick's House will celebrate 'Green Day' on that day. Members are invited to dress down and wear something green if they have it and want to. Children in the other three houses will be expected to wear full school uniform as usual. Thank you.

## 100 Smilies

Congratulations to the following children who have earned 100 smilies.

- **Y4** Gabriel, Jenson, Kayl and Scarlett
- **Y5** Bella

## Attendance Final Week of Term 3

1 <sup>st</sup>	FS2	99.0%	Bobby Bear will visit next week
1 <sup>st</sup>	Y3	99.0%	Bobby Bear will visit next week
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Y2	97.7%	Brenda Bear will visit next week
4 <sup>th</sup>	Y4	97.5%	Elvis Owl will visit next week
5 <sup>th</sup>	Y5	96.5%	Billy Bear will visit next week
6 <sup>th</sup>	Y6	95.6%	
7 <sup>th</sup>	Y1	95.0%	

**Target = 98.0%      Average Attendance = 97.1%**



## Get Set, GO!

1 <sup>st</sup>	Y4	80%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Y1	79%
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Y2	77%
4 <sup>th</sup>	Y5	74%
5 <sup>th</sup>	FS2	70%
6 <sup>th</sup>	Y3	70%
7 <sup>th</sup>	Y6	68%

**Average = 74%**

## Reminder: Library Days

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Y1	Y2		FS2	Y5
Y4	Y3		Y6	

## Reminder: Parent/Carer Meetings

A reminder that we are inviting any parents/carers who would like to rebook a meeting with their children's teachers, to do so. Please contact the school office. Thank you.

## School Server Issues

The relocation of our sever caused some unexpected issues today, which has meant that some photos/videos cannot be accessed for the website or this newsletter. We are assured that it will be sorted early next week.



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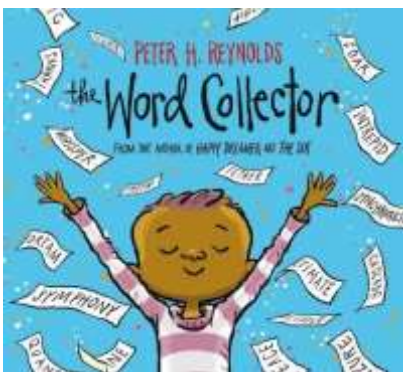
## SJF World Book Day 2023



Everyone had a wonderful day. The children looked fantastic, dressed in whatever they felt comfortable wearing. It was a real celebration of reading and an appreciation of the magic of books.

Each class was gifted a book to share and enjoy together, and buddies were also given an opportunity to read together, which they all very much enjoyed. The children also did some work themed around 'The Word Collector' which was wonderful.

I would like to thank our Reading Leadership Group, Mrs Barrett, Mrs Barratt, Mr MacInness and Miss D'Roza for all their hard work; my other colleagues and all the children, who were absolutely wonderful! Please click [here](#) to see what the children in got up to.



### The Word Collector (Peter H Reynolds)

From a New York Times bestselling author comes an inspiring picture book about the power of words.



Some people collect stamps. Some people collect coins. Some people collect art. And Jerome? Jerome collected words...

In this illustrated picture book from Peter H. Reynolds, a little boy discovers the magic of the words all around him - short and sweet words, complicated words, words that stand out.

But one day his carefully curated collection of words gets messy, and that's when Jerome discovers that words that connect, transform and empower. So Jerome starts using his words, and that's when they become powerful. Please click [here](#) to find out more about this amazing book.

## Our Feature Books of the Week!



Click [here](#) for our full 2022-2023 SJF Book List.

Our latest feature books are:

**Old MacDonald had a Phone** by Jeanne Willis & Tony Ross

**Aubrey and the Terrible Yoot** by Horatio Clare

Click [here](#) for links to this week's feature books!

## PTFA Rainbow Raffle & Non-Uniform Day

Please support the rainbow raffles being organised by our fantastic PTFA! A reminder that **Friday 24th March 2023** will be a non-uniform day and on that day, in return for dressing down, The PTFA is asking the children to bring in items that follow the colour theme for their classes. The winners will then win the colour-themed hampers. A reminder that the children in different classes are invited to donate the following:

- **FS2** pupils are asked to donate items that are **pink**
- **Y1** pupils are asked to donate items that are **purple**
- **Y2** pupils are asked to donate items that are **orange**
- **Y3** pupils are asked to donate items that are **yellow**
- **Y4** pupils are asked to donate items that are **red**
- **Y5** pupils are asked to donate items that are **green**
- **Y6** pupils are asked to donate items that are **blue**



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On the final day of term, just before Easter, **Maundy Thursday 6th April 2023**, the PTFA will run a free Easter scavenger hunt with chocolate prizes! The raffle will be drawn at this event and tickets will be available to buy from next week. Thank you for your support!



### The BYB Weekly Challenge

One of the casualties of our server issues has been the BYB Weekly Challenge. This will be shared on the website early next week, as soon as the issues have been resolved. My sincere thanks go to our fantastic Sports Majors and Miss Barrett, for all they do to encourage and support all the children with their fantastic challenges every day.

### Our Catholic Life

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Citizenship</b> <b>Statement of Belief</b> <b>Assembly</b> (Headteacher) <b>Chaplains' Liturgies</b> (Years 1, 5 and 6)	<b>'Virtues to Live By'</b> <b>Class Assembly</b> (Teachers & Chaplains)	<b>Themed</b> <b>Assembly</b> (Teacher-Led)	<b>Weekly Liturgy</b> <b>of the Word</b> (Class-Led)	<b>Celebration</b> <b>Assembly</b> (Headteacher & Deputy Headteacher) <b>Chaplains' Liturgies</b> (Years 2, 3 and 4) <b>Story Liturgy</b> (FS2)

### Parish News

For information about parish and Diocesan life including; the times of Masses, services, confession; details about sacramental preparation; and information about what is happening during Lent and Easter please click this [link](#). Thank you.

### Our New Term 4 Virtues to Live By

Our current SJF virtues of focus are **charity** and **forgiveness**.



### Our Lenten Prayer: 'The Confiteor'

I confess to almighty God  
and to you, my brothers and sisters,  
that I have greatly sinned  
in my thoughts and in my words,  
in what I have done,  
and in what I have failed to do;

through my fault, through my fault,  
through my most grievous fault;  
therefore, I ask blessed Mary, ever-Virgin,  
all the Angels and Saints,  
and you, my brothers and sisters,  
to pray for me to the Lord our God.



### Weekly Liturgy of the Word

Thank you to our fantastic **Y3** children who were supported, so ably, by the equally fantastic **Y4** pupils as they led our wonderful liturgy this week. Our next Liturgy is on **Thursday 9th March 2023**, and it will be led by the children of **Y2**. We welcome their family/friends to join us. Click [here](#) to view recordings of previous liturgies.



### Reminder: Lenten Class Liturgies

Our Class Chaplains are supporting staff during Lent with the organisation of simple daily class liturgies. These will run until **Friday 31st March 2023**. The liturgies will take place on the following days:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Y1 Y5 Y6</b>	<b>FS2 Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6</b>	<b>FS2 Y1 Y2 Y5 Y6</b>	<b>FS2 Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4</b>	<b>FS2 Y2 Y3 Y4</b>

If you would like to attend any, between now and Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023, please book through the school office. Thank you, for all your support.



### Golden Children!

- FS2** **Amelia** for always trying her best in class and for being so kind and helpful to both the adults and children! What a wonderful example you are!
- Y1** **Mila** for being such a helpful member of our class! Mila is someone who wants to do the right thing and will always be there to help when anyone needs it! Well done Mila!
- Y2** **Felicity** for demonstrating a great attitude to learning this week! She has worked very hard and has had a really good go at all her jobs! Well done!
- Y3** **Gabriella** for the wonderful way she has been growing in confidence and also demonstrating our class values! Fantastically positive, keep it up!
- Y4** **Scarlett** for always trying her best and for wanting to do well. She listens brilliantly and always gives everything 100% effort. Keep it up, superstar!
- Y5** **Seb** has been super helpful in our Design and Technology lessons recently. He has also really thought about his behaviour for learning is a fantastic role-model for others. Thank you, and well done!
- Y6** **Emily W** for working so hard in class and for always smiling - despite having broken her foot! What a star!

### Writing Champions!

- FS2** **Aria** for taking great care with all of her mark-making. She is now using her phonics knowledge to help her spelling! Amazing!
- Y1** **Nadia** for using the conjunction 'and' in her super Naughty Bus writing! Great sentences Nadia!
- Y2** **Ava** for working really hard to achieve her writing targets in our English lessons. We are so proud of you!
- Y3** **Jan M** for producing some really super sentences including time-adverbials, prepositional phrases and precise verbs. Fantastic work! Keep it up!
- Y4** **Emily** for trying hard to improve the presentation and organisation of her work, which is one of her targets! She really wants to do well and is trying so hard!
- Y5** **Isaac** for write his transmission piece using the tools and skills from pervious lessons. It was brilliant to see that he had continued this at home and created his own book on space.
- Y6** **Oscar** for working so hard on his writing as he tries so hard to use high-quality descriptive language! Keep it up!

### Maths Champions!

- FS2** **George** for his amazing number work and for the fantastic way he can explain his answers!
- Y1** **George** for working so hard in his tens and ones work! He was so good at making up bundles of ten straws and loose ones, to count lots of straws! Well done!
- Y2** **Izabela** for working really hard in maths this week! She was trying so hard, and we are very proud of her!
- Y3** **Julia** for using and applying her knowledge and understanding in order to solve multiplication problems! Well done!
- Y4** **Rebecca** has been working so hard this week during our fraction and division work! Her effort was incredible. Please keep persevering Rebecca, your efforts are paying off!
- Y5** **Alana** for not only working hard within our lessons but for also checking with staff to ensure that she has understood the task. She is developing a really mature attitude to learning, well done!
- Y6** **Charlie** for the huge amount of hard work he has been putting into his maths recently, it really is incredible, and we are all so very proud of him! Well done, and keep it up!



### SJF Healthy Minds Champions Newsletter

Please click [here](#) for the newsletter produced by our Healthy Minds Champions.



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### Achievements outside of School

Please email us details of your children's achievements outside of school via our main email address ([enquiries@st-johnfisher.org](mailto:enquiries@st-johnfisher.org)) so that they can be shared in the newsletter, and celebrated. Thank you.

- **Zach** in **FS2** received his story award at Squirrels recently, for always being sensible and for displaying good listening skills during story time. Well done Zach!
- **Chloe** **Y2** has been planting trees for her community over the weekend and has also earned her 10 metres badge for swimming on her back and front. Congratulations, Chloe! Amazing achievements!

### Statement of Belief

Next week our 'statement of Belief' is "**I try to appreciate the beauty and wonder in the world.**"

**Time to talk:** Take some time to be very still and silent in your garden or with your family in the park, or woods or countryside. What can you hear, or see, or smell? *What* do you feel, as in the texture? *How* do you feel?

Take photographs to remind you of the moment. Look back at these at the end of the day. What do you remember?

Whilst you are out, try and find a leaf. Really look at it closely, or the bark on a tree – anything, carefully. Pause and really study it for a while. What did you notice?

Make a mental note of colours, smells, patterns and textures.

What places are special to you and your family? Why?

Where would you go if you could go anywhere? Why?

What can we do to look after our beautiful world?



*Cherish the natural world because you're part of it and you depend on it*



Sir David Attenborough



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