

SJF NEWS



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★ Citizen of the Week

This week's citizenship award was presented to **Hector** in **Y3** who understands the importance of forgiveness in line with this week's Statement of Belief. Hector is an active learner and a kind and generous member of Y3. He behaves well and his manners are impeccable. Hector has a well-developed sense of what is right and wrong. Even though forgiveness can be difficult to offer others when they let you down, Hector knows why it is important to do so. He is also a very good friend and encourages others be friends, and to offer and receive forgiveness when it needs to be shared. Congratulations, Hector, we are very proud of you!

Term 6 Smiley Scores



Smiley Awards

Congratulations to Ashwin in **Y1** who has now earned 100 smilies so far this year! We are so proud of you!

Term 6 Attendance

1 st	Y1	97.7%	Bobby Bear will visit next week
1 st	Y4	97.7%	Brenda Bear will visit next week
3 rd	Y2	97.3%	Brenda Bear will visit next week
4 th	Y3	96.9%	Elvis Owl will visit next week
5 th	Y5	96.8%	Billy Bear will visit next week
6 th	Y6	94.7%	
7 th	FS2	93.0%	
Target = 98.0%		Average Attendance = 96.3%	



Get Set, GO!

1 st	Y2	79%
2 nd	Y4	78%
3 rd	FS2	76%
4 th	Y3	75%
5 th	Y5	74%
6 th	Y6	70%
7 th	Y1	68%
Average = 78%		

Our Catholic Life



Parishes of St Theresa and Our Lady of Lourdes with St Anthony

Parish News

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

First Holy Communion & Confirmation

We congratulate the young people who received either the Sacrament of Confirmation or First holy Communion last week at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church. They were both such special occasions for the children and their families.

We pray for all of their intentions, in the hope that they will stay close to God and be sustained and enabled by their faith throughout their lives. We sincerely thank Fr Bede and Sal Robinson for supporting and guiding the children as they prepared to receive the Sacraments, and we hope that the children will all be able to continue to grow spiritually at the heart of our wonderful parish community.



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Our Virtues to Live By

Our current SJF virtue of focus is **kindness**. In Term 6 the children will reflect on the virtues of **honesty** and **service** in class assemblies and broader learning.



Annual Feast Day Mass

This week we celebrated the feast of St John Fisher, our school's patron. Last week we shared information about this remarkable man, who was passionate about education. This is why so many schools are named in his honour. Though he was born in to an ordinary family, it was education that opened his eyes to a world of possibilities, and allowed him to chase and achieve his ambitions. His journey led him to become a national figure: Chancellor of Cambridge University, Bishop of Rochester, a friend, advisor and teacher of Kings and Queens and even a Cardinal, though by this time he was in prison, awaiting execution.

St John Fisher's life is therefore a great example to us, because of his education and faith. His example shows us that education and faith can also enable us to fulfil our potential and achieve our dreams and ambitions, whatever they are. They can open doors to all sorts of fantastic possibilities. Education is not just about understanding our world, it is also about understanding ourselves too. St John Fisher's education and faith emboldened him and gave him the strength and purpose to chase his dreams not just for his benefit but also for the benefit of the world. Both enabled him to make a stand for what he believed, not through physical strength, threats and violence, but humbly and with calm and reasoned argument. He had the courage to say what he thought, respectfully, and his example encourages us to do and be the same in our lives today.

I would like to thank Fr Bede for leading the joyous celebration. I would like to thank Mrs Broadhead and Mrs Walton for preparing the **Y3** children so well to lead the liturgy with such confidence and spirit! I would like to thank all the children involved in the Mass, including all our wonderful First Holy Communicants, who again wore their special First Holy Communion clothes during Mass. I would like to thank our musicians for helping to prepare and for leading the uplifting music liturgy; the children in other classes for their excellent behaviour and participation in the liturgy; and finally, the families and our friends from the parish for their support and for helping to make the Mass such a special occasion. Please click [here](#) to watch a recording of the Mass.

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



Our June Prayer: 'The Gloria'

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will

We praise you,
We bless you,
We adore you,
We glorify you,
We give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
Have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,

With the Holy Spirit,
In the glory of God the Father.

Amen.



Our Trinity Song

We believe in God the Father, we believe in God the Son, we believe in God the Spirit
God is three (clap, clap, clap, clap) ...and God is one



Weekly Liturgy of the Word

Our next Liturgy of the Word will take place on **Thursday 29th June 2023**, and will be led by the young people of **Y1** and their families and friends are all invited to join us. Previous recordings are available [here](#).

Our Feature Books of the Week!



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

Our latest feature books are:

On a Magical Do-Nothing Day by Beatrice Alemanga

Tall Story by Candy Gourlay

Click [here](#) for more information about this week's choices!



Our Latest Beat Your Best Challenge!

Here is a message from Miss Barrett.

Thank you to Katy for her brilliant hopscotch skip challenge. I know lots of you loved taking part in that one and I loved seeing you trying so hard to beat your score.

A special shout out goes to Libbi in Y2 who achieved a fantastic high score of 120 and then kept on pushing herself to do even better! Well done, Libbi!

Oscar has created our beat your best challenge this week. It is a football target practice challenge with different levels of difficulty.

All you have to do is kick the ball through the hoop, with the hoop getting smaller and smaller each time. It is a trickier one this week, so good luck everyone, and don't forget to tell us your scores! Will you beat your best?

Please click [here](#) to view Oscar's demonstration.



Golden Children!

- FS2** **Lexi** for being a wonderful member of our FS2 class! She is always cheerful, kind and helpful and willing to try her very best! What a star!
- Y1** **Violet** for always giving her very best and for trying so hard! We are all so proud of her! Keep it up!
- Y2** **Ava L** for being so helpful around the classroom and for always offering to help out!
- Y3** **Niamh** for having a fabulous week, as always, by working well in class and for being a lovely fiend to everyone!
- Y4** **Jacob W** could be chosen every week! He always gets on well with his work and tries his very best. We are all very proud of him and grateful for the special example he sets!
- Y5** **Sofia**, for starting to become more and more confident in her own abilities and therefore more active in class discussions! Keep it up, Sofia, we are all so proud of you!
- Y6** **Jacob** for his excellent manners, which provide such a good example to his classmates and all children. Well done, and thank you, Jacob!

Writing Champions!

- FS2** **Oliwia** for producing some amazing and independent writing this week, using her phonics knowledge! Incredible!
- Y1** **Lucy** for trying so hard with her handwriting, she is making a huge effort with this in all her work! Well done, Lucy!
- Y2** **Freddie M** for trying really hard to apply all of the KS1 punctuation in his writing! What a star!
- Y3** **Kristian** for making some lovely word choices in writing, well done!
- Y4** **Jenson** for trying hard to edit his work using the correct speech punctuation! A fantastic effort, well done!
- Y5** **Seb** for thinking carefully about the persuasive language needed in his letter linked to our enterprise work for forthcoming Friday Fayre!
- Y6** **Mateusz** for writing an excellent piece of science work about natural selection. Well done!

Maths Champions!

- FS2** **Tommy** for his fantastic number work - with numbers to 20! Well done!
- Y1** **Aadvik** for working so well on different addition and subtraction calculations, we are so happy with all his hard work!
- Y2** **Izabela W** for her great shape work this week, she remembered lots of things that she had learned in Y1! Fantastic work!
- Y3** **Esma** for working hard in Maths this week!
- Y4** **Scarlett** for trying hard to make and use connections in Mathematics this week! Well done!
- Y5** **Luca** for starting to think carefully when trying to solve word problems. This has been great to see and shows his mathematical brain really shining!
- Y6** **Mia** for working hard to remember and to revise previous mathematical learning from earlier in the school year. Well done. Mia!



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). These will then be shared in the newsletter, and celebrated. Thank you.

- **Henry** in **Y1** was awarded a special trophy in kickboxing, recently, for being 'Student of the Week'! Congratulations, Henry, we are so proud of you!

Moving Up Days

The plan was to have three 'moving up' days this year, to coincide with the planned Y6 to Y7 transition days organised by All Saints Catholic High School for the **Y6** children transferring there. The transition days were therefore timetabled to take place on **Monday 3rd July**, **Tuesday 4th July** and **Wednesday 5th July 2023**.

Since then, the NEU has called for industrial action which means All Saints have had to cut the number of transition days from three to two as they cannot now host our Y6 pupils on Wednesday 5th July 2023. This means that on that day **all** Y6 children must attend our school instead. Given everything we have done (and are doing) to prepare for the 'moving up' days we have decided not change our plans.

Reminder

After 'Wake Up Shake Up' on the first transition day (03-07-23), the children will be guided by staff on the playground to go straight to their new classrooms where they will be based. Staff will be available to help anyone who has forgotten where to go, or who might require a little extra support and encouragement.

Please note that times for lunch and the end of the day will be the same as the children's current classes. PE days will also be the same as the children's current classes:

- Monday 3rd July 2023 **FS2** children who are moving to **Y1** in September 2023
- Tuesday 4th July 2023 **Y1** and **Y2** children who will be moving to **Y2** and **Y3** in September 2023
- Wednesday 5th July 2023 **Y3** and **Y4** children who will be moving to **Y4** and **Y5** in September 2023

Reminder: SJF Curriculum Showcase

An early reminder that our next Curriculum Showcase takes place on **Thursday 13th July 2023** in the school hall. There will be an opportunity to view the children's work from Terms 5 and 6, and to talk to some of them about their curriculum and what they have been learning. There will also be refreshments available. Please note that the children will have a cold lunch/grab bags on the day as the hall will be out of action. The times are **8.50am to 9.45am** and **3.30pm to 4.15pm**.



Statement of Belief

Our next 'Statement of Belief' is **"I stand up for others being treated unfairly"**

Time to talk: Why is it important to stand up for those being treated unfairly?

What might happen if we say or do nothing?

How can we stand up for someone safely without putting ourselves at risk?

Who can we talk to about something we are unhappy about or unsure of?

Can you think of anyone special from the past, who stood up for others?

Who is there to stand up for us today?

