

St John's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter: January 18th 2016

Next Newsletter: January 25th

Weekly News

We are trying out a new format for our Newsletters and this term we will be publishing weekly Newsletters.

On this page will be information for you to read as a parent to keep you in the link with what is going on in school.

On the reverse page we will be celebrating successful learning and the many opportunities provided to the children. Some of the information on this page will be written by the children. We would love to hear what you think of our new style of Newsletter!

Attendance –

Figures for attendance will be published every fortnight.

Events for this week

Thursday 21st January

Year 2 Class Assembly will start at 3pm promptly. All parents are welcome. Please ensure you arrive before 3pm as the assembly will begin on time; we cannot keep the children waiting.

On this day a group from Year 4 will be attending an Indoor Athletics Competition at Bacon's College. We will let you know next week how they got on.

Friday 22nd January

Year 6 trip to London Zoo.

Year 5 class will be attending the Parish Mass on this date at 9.15 am.

Class assembly dates for this term:

These take place on Thursdays at 3pm and families are welcome to attend.

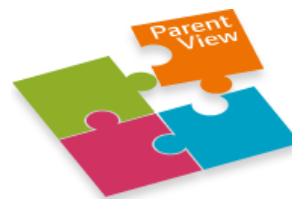
28th January – Year 5

4th February – Year 3

11th February – Year 1

3rd March – Year 4

10th March – Reception Class



Parent View

If you have not already done so – please log on to the Parent View website and share feedback on the school. The website address is www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk. It is important that we know where we need to improve and what you are pleased with.



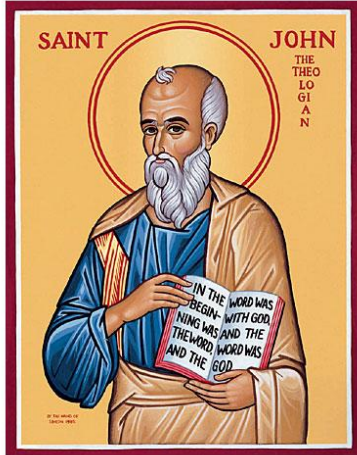
Spring Menu 2015

The menu for school dinners is on our website and can be found on the Parents' page.

The school continues to provide a variety of healthy meals daily and there is always a salad cart and fruit available for the children.



Celebrating Success



The children across the school have been learning about our patron saint – Saint John the Evangelist. The children have learnt about his life with Jesus and their close friendship and also the fact that John was well known for saying ‘My dear children – love one another.’ We have linked this, in assemblies, to looking at how important it is to take care of each other in the playground, recognising that our excellent behaviour for learning in the classrooms allows all children to do their best and the importance of friendship. Alongside this we have covered with the children what to do when things go wrong and someone gets upset and also the difference between individual incidents and bullying.

Here is a prayer written by children in Year 6. You might like to share this prayer with your children.

Dear St. John,
Please guide and protect all pupils and staff at our school. Help us to live by our school motto ‘To love and serve one another’, by being respectful to others and comforting those in need. Help us to see the talents and qualities of all those in our community. Let love abide in every corner of our school and help all pupils to achieve their full potential.

St. John – Pray for us.

EYFS / KS1

The children in KS1 enjoyed reading with the older children in KS2 last week. As a school we are promoting the love of reading this year and every half term the children are pairing up to enjoy a book with a child from another class.



KS2

The first of our class assemblies this term was led by Year 6, on the theme of Books. One of the areas we are promoting as a school this year is the pleasure of reading.

Year 5 enjoyed the assembly and Joey from Year 5 commented **that: ‘It was an awesome assembly because I liked the Music, especially listening to the clarinet which was played by Naomi. The singing was good too! An excellent job by Year 6.’**

At the end of last term the children in KS2 joined together in a special celebratory Mass for Pat Williamson, who retired in July. Pat has given 24 years of service to the school and the families and staff of the school. She was delighted by the wonderful singing in the Mass and particularly commended the children who sang solos and who read so beautifully. The ribbon dance brought tears to her eyes and will always be a very special memory for Pat.

