

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter 8

22nd October 2018



THIS WEEK'S UPDATES

Weekly Attendance

St Anthony - 94.8%	St Lawrence - 95.6%
St Aldhelm - 97.5%	St Francis - 98.4%
	St Scholastica - 96.3%

Message from Mrs Wood

Thank you to all those parents who came to our wonderful Harvest Festival last week. I hope that everyone will have a fantastic half-term break and a well-deserved rest.

WW1 end of War Celebration Party

We warmly welcome everyone to an Open Afternoon at school with tea and scones 1.30 - 3pm on Wednesday 7th November to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the end of WW1. Please see email for details.

Diary Dates

October 2018 Mon 22 Oct 8pm – PFA meeting Old Bell

Half Term Break: Thurs 25 October – Fri 2nd November

November 2018 Monday 5 November – Back to school

Wednesday 7 Nov 9.15-10.45 – Y3/4 Top Activity Fest

Wednesday 7 November 1.30-3pm – WW1 end of War celebration - Open Afternoon – everyone welcome!

Friday 9 November 7.30pm – PFA Quiz Night, School

Mon 12 Nov 3-5.15pm – Y3-Y6 Cross Country Festival

Wed 21 Nov 1.30-4.30pm – Y5/6 Netball Festival

Friday 29th Nov 1.30pm – Whole school Mass in church – St Francis to lead

Friday 30th Nov – Chaplaincy Mass, Clifton Cathedral

December 2018 Sat 1 December – Christmas Bazaar

Tuesday 11 December 2pm & 6pm – Reception and Key Stage 1 Nativity at school

Thursday 13 Dec – End of term exhibitions in all classes

Friday 14 Dec – End of term reports out to parents

Thursday 20 Dec – Christmas Party for pupils

Friday 21 December – Mass in church

Christmas Holiday: Break up Friday 21 December at 1pm (Early Finish) Monday 24 December – Friday 4 January 2019 (plus Monday 7 January TD day)

January 2019 Tuesday 8 January – Back to school

TD/Inset Days: (children not required in school)

Monday 7 January 2019 Monday 25 February 2019

Monday 24 June 2019

In Class this Week - Week 8

St Anthony – continuing on from last week
Phonics – l, h r, j **Maths** - Ordinal numbers
RE – Thanking God for Harvest

St Aldhelm – Innovate Week – continuing on into this week
English - Story Writing **Maths** - Place Value
RE – The Prophet Amos

St Lawrence –
English & Maths – Re-capping all we have learnt this term
RE – Exploring the importance of forgiveness in prayer and in fulfilling the promises made for us at baptism

St Francis – Innovate week for all subjects
St Francis are collecting 2 litre clear plastic bottles with dimpled bases – please bring in any old bottles – thank you!

St Scholastica – **English** – Historical fiction – story-writing
Maths - Long division **RE** - Prayers, Saints and Feasts

Message from Mr Dawson

SPORTS CLUBS: All clubs will run as normal this week Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday (but not Chinese) - Y5/Y6 Football, Y3/Y4 Gym, Netball, Y5/Y6 Gym. All clubs will be running again from first Monday back after half-term.
FOREST SCHOOL: St Francis - Fri 9, 16, 23, 30 Nov, 7 Dec.
St Lawrence - Friday 11, 18, 25 January, 1, 8 February.
St Aldhelm - Friday 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 March.
St Anthony - Friday 26 April, 3, 10, 17, 24 May.
Suitable outdoor clothes and footwear please.

Non-School Uniform Day

There will be a non-school uniform day on Wednesday 24th October to raise money for our school. We would therefore be very grateful if each child could bring in £1.

Chinese Club Cancelled Today

Please note that this club is **CANCELLED TODAY** - any child who cannot be picked up at 3.20pm can stay in St Scholastica class where they will be supervised by Mr Dawson.

Minecraft & Art/Craft Clubs with Isaac

These are for Y1-Y6 children and will continue after half-term as follows: Minecraft = Thursdays 3.30 - 4.30pm
Art & Craft = Fridays 3.30 - 4.30pm.
See today's email for more details.

School Photographs

Please note that the deadline for return of orders into the school office is 9am Friday 9th November.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

PFA Corner

PFA MEETING:

Monday 22nd October.

Please come and join us for the PFA meeting at The Old Bell Hotel at 8pm. Everyone is welcome.

PFA QUIZ NIGHT: Friday 9th November at school.

Doors and Bar open 7.30pm; Quiz starts 8pm. Tickets from any PFA Committee member - will be available in the playground at the end of school after the half-term break.

PFA CHRISTMAS BAZAAR - AUCTION OF PROMISES:

Saturday 1st December. The PFA needs help and volunteers to offer to run stalls and most importantly to source donations for the Auction of Promises. We would be grateful if you could either help find donations through your own contacts or offer to approach known businesses on behalf of the PFA. We have until 16th November to finalise all donations. Please help, otherwise the school will struggle to raise the funds it needs. Thank you!

MATCHED FUNDING: Three parents have confirmed that their employer will provide Matched Funding, which is a key way to increase and maximise profits at our charity events - Quiz, Bazaar, Summer Fete, etc. Please would you ask your employer if they will support MF and let the PFA Committee know. It can be any business, large/small.

CLASSLIST: This enables all PFA members to send and receive community messages and provides numerous other benefits, such as a Marketplace to Buy & Sell goods, or the ability to set up private events, such as a child's party.

2019 Y6 & Y3 Residential Trips

New Y6s - Kilvrough Manor - Monday 2nd until Friday 6th September 2019. Cost/child will be £330 for the trip.
Y3 - Braeside - provisionally booked - Monday 1st until Wednesday 3rd July 2019. Further updates in due course.

Medical Forms - New System

Thank you to all parents who have returned completed medical forms for their children for trips off site for this academic year. **Any forms not received, children will not be permitted to participate in trips, so those of you who have not returned them, please do so urgently.**

Y1-Y6 Emergency Contact Cards

Emergency contact cards for each pupil have been distributed to parents to check we have correct details of who to contact in case of illness or emergency. If you have not received a card for your child, please come into the school office ASAP to collect. **It is imperative the information we hold is accurate and up-to-date.** Thanks.

Recorder Books

We have several recorder books in school which are no longer needed by pupils. If anyone would like any of them, please collect from the office before Friday 9th Nov.

Sports/Health & Fitness Clubs

All these great clubs take place after school 3.30-4.30pm. Please collect your child promptly at 4.30pm.

MONDAY	DANCE	HALL - MISS EMMA	Reception to Year 6
TUESDAY	GYMNASTICS	HALL - MISS EMMA	Y5 & Y6
TUESDAY	FOOTBALL	PLAYGROUND - MR DAWSON	Y5 & Y6
WEDNESDAY	GYMNASTICS	HALL - MISS EMMA	Y3 & Y4
WEDNESDAY	NETBALL	PLAYGROUND - PH SPORTS	Y5 & Y6
THURSDAY	DODGEBALL	HALL - ASC	Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6
THURSDAY	FOOTBALL	PLAYGROUND - ASC	Y2, Y3 & Y4
FRIDAY	MULTI-SPORTS	HALL - PH SPORTS	Reception, Y1 & Y2
FRIDAY	TAG RUGBY	PLAYGROUND - PH SPORTS	Y4, Y5 & Y6

Next Term: Chinese, Art & Minecraft Clubs

MONDAY	CHINESE	Classroom	3.30-4.30pm
THURSDAY	Y1-Y6 MINECRAFT	Classroom	3.30-4.30pm
FRIDAY	Y1-Y6 ART & CRAFT	Classroom	3.30-4.30pm

Choir

Mrs Cambrey-Smith's lovely Choir group is for all children in Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 - school hall Wednesdays 12.00-12.30.

Modern Jazz Dance Club

Modern Jazz Dance classes are available for children from Y2 to Y6, starting 25th September. Classes run Tuesday lunchtimes. Contact Nikki Purkess: purkessc@aol.com or telephone 01666 825802 / 07894 710411.

Forest School

St Scholastica class are taking part this term in Forest School. The last session will be Tuesday 23 October. Mr Dawson says that it is important that children please have appropriate clothes and footwear in school.

Uniform Sales

School uniform **is only available on Wednesdays** between the hours of 8.30am and 3.10pm. Please pay by cheque or cash. Nearly new uniform is free of charge.

End of School Pick-Up Forms

We are updating our authorised adult lists for child collection from school. Thank you everyone for returning these - **any still outstanding, please send in URGENTLY.**