



St John Fisher News

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Citizen of the Week

Our recipient this week's recipient is **Jacob Nelson** in **Y2** for knowing what trust is in line with our 'Statement to Live By' this week. Jacob is a positive young man with a great attitude to learning. He demonstrates trusts for his teacher and other adults in school by the enthusiasm he shows for trying new things. He is always so positive and willing to have a go at anything. He is also resilient, and will trust the grownups if he finds something challenging and keep trying until he is successful. This is a winning attitude! Jacob also loves being trusted to do special jobs, and always does his best. Congratulations Jacob, we are all very proud of you!

Term 5 Smiley Scores

St Andrew's House



144

St David's House



134

St Patrick's House



177

St George's House



171

Parent Advice and Support – Drop-in Sessions

We are very proud of the links we have established with our partners from the Multi-Agency Support Team (MAST) to provide help, advice and support to our parents and carers.

Each week MAST runs a drop-in session here at St John Fisher to support parents/carers on a wide range of different issues. The drop-in sessions take place in our school library from **8.30am** on **Thursday** mornings, and they are open to all. Whatever the problem, if you need some help or advice you can make an appointment by speaking to Mrs Asquith. Thank you.

Advice and support
for children and
families



Contact MAST when
your family needs
some extra help

Our Catholic Life

Weekly Liturgy of the Word

Our next Liturgy of the Word will be on **Thursday 25th May 2017** and will be led by the young people of **Y6**. The family and friends of our **Y6** children are invited to join us in the School Hall just after 9.00am. Thank you.

Celebration Assembly

We invite the family and friends of our **Y5** children to join us for our Celebration Assembly next **Friday 26th May 2017** in the School Hall at 2.55pm.

Parish News

Everyone is invited to the next children's Mass on **Sunday 21st May 2017** at **10.30am** at Our Lady of Lourdes church. This Mass is devoted to Our Lady of Fatima to mark the centenary of the first apparition on 13th May 1917. It would be wonderful to see as many children from St John Fisher School at Mass in order to celebrate and mark the 100th anniversary of this beautiful event.

Important information is available via this link to the parish website: www.ourladyoflourdesheffield.org.uk.

Diamond Jubilee Photograph

Please note that on Thursday 15th June we will be having a special whole school photograph to mark our 60th anniversary.

ALL children are asked to come to school wearing full school uniform.

The children in Y1 and Y2 are asked to bring their PE kit with them to school so that they can change afterwards. Thank you.



Good Shepherd Appeal



Diocese of Hallam

On Tuesday the young people of Y5 joined representatives from schools across the Diocese of Hallam for the annual Good Shepherd Appeal presentation. This year the event took place at St Marie's Cathedral. The celebratory service was led by our friends from the 'InReality' team and the children from all the schools represented.



The Cathedral was packed to the rafters and everyone thoroughly enjoyed all the uplifting singing and dancing. As usual our Y5 pupils were an absolute credit to our community, because of the way they joined in with everything and their superb behaviour.

Each school was asked to create their own version of the 'Our Lady of Perpetual Help' icon. Mrs Pickering helped our children create a mosaic version of the famous icon which included images of the things the children felt were special about our school. We are undoubtedly biased, but we all think it looked amazing, and it is now displayed proudly in our hall for all to admire!

Writing Champions

FS2	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Lena Zusing	Polly Flude	Marisa Avelino	Sam Mappin	Keira Ambrose	Ben Forgo & Ruby Hayward	Lucas Diaz & Fran Needham

Golden Children

FS2	Logan Thomas Howells for trying really hard with all his writing this week! Well done Logan!
Year 1	Azaan Javid for always doing his best and for being polite and cheerful!
Year 2	Jacob Nelson for being a superstar and for always trying his very best in both his work and his behaviour!
Year 3	Tamzin Samba for having a super attitude to learning and for demonstrating a clear understanding of absolutely everything this week! Well done!
Year 4	Lorenzo Dizon for having a fantastic attitude towards every aspect of learning! A special young man and super role-model to others!
Year 5	Ola Dominiak for trying very hard with her RE work about 'The Fruits of the Holy Spirit'! It was wonderful and we are all very proud of you!
Year 6	Ben Cartwright for working consistently hard all year in ALL his subjects and for demonstrating wonderful learning behaviours and enthusiasm! We are all very proud of him!

Achievements Outside of School

Isla Atkinson in Y3 has been a very busy young lady indeed! She has been such a great help to her mum and dad as they prepare for her brother's birth in three weeks. Sadly the family already know that Isla's brother will be born with a serious heart defect and will need major open-heart surgery during his first week of life. Isla is being very brave and is determined to do all she can to help! She took part in a fundraising event recently in order to raise funds for a wonderful charity called 'Little Hearts Matter' which is supporting her family at this

difficult time. The family held a fundraiser/baby shower where there was a raffle, cake sale and lots of fun and games which Isla helped to organise. The event raised a whopping £1948.45 for the charity! A great achievement!

Isla is also part of the Mount View Methodist Church Girls' Brigade and was chosen recently to be an attendant at the May Queen celebrations! Well done Isla, we are all very proud of you and we will certainly hold you, your baby brother and your mum and dad in our prayers.

Attendance This Week			<p>The overall attendance remains above our 97% target. Thank you.</p> <p>Congratulations to the children in Years 3, 4 and 5 who managed to exceed the target. Let us see if every class can be over 97%. Next week.</p>
FS2		95.0%	
Year 1		96.2%	
Year 2		96.9%	
Year 3		98.3%	
Year 4		99.1%	
Year 5		98.1%	
Year 6		96.6%	
Target	97%	This week's average attendance:	97.2%

All Saints Admissions 2018/19 Workshop

We welcome the Admissions Officer from All Saints Catholic High School to St John Fisher on **Tuesday 27th June 2017** to assist the parents/carers of children in Y5 currently who are interested in applying for a place at All Saints next year. The workshop will take place in our school library from **3.00pm to 4.00pm**. Children will be supervised by staff during the workshop.



The GREAT St John Fisher Bake off.

Here is an important message from Mrs Darken and the School Council

The School Council is organising a whole-school 'Bake Off' on **Monday 22nd May** to raise money for School Council funds and all the children and parents are invited to bake a cake and enter in to the competition! The more the merrier!

The cakes will be judged in year-group categories, with each year group working to a theme chosen by the Council. Each class will watch their cakes being judged.

There will also be a parent's and teachers' prize, so it is time to dust off your oven gloves and have a go! All winners will receive a prize. Please bring your cakes in to the school hall on Monday morning and place them on the correct table for your child's class. Please label your entry with the name and class on the bottom of the cake so that judging is anonymous.

Where possible please refrain from using nuts or nut products in the cakes you make, as some of our pupils have serious nut allergies. If nuts/nut products are used please highlight this fact in the ingredient list.

Please do not use fresh cream as we are unable to refrigerate the cakes and once the cakes have been judged they will be cut up and sold. The cake sale will take place at the end of school on Monday.

All the money raised will go directly to School Council to be spent on resources for the school chosen by the Councillors. We really hope you will support this event by baking a cake and/or by buying a cakes!



A Magical Day at Harry Potter World!

On Thursday four children swapped their school classrooms for the magical setting of Hogwart's School! You may recall that **Jack Green** in Y6 and Alhamzah Al-Rammahi in Y1 won the KS2 and KS1 categories of the Birley Family of Schools "Telling Tales" writing competition earlier in the year. They each chose a friend to share their winners' prize, which was a visit to Harry Potter World, London! They were joined by Mrs Raynes as well as the winners from all the other schools and it was difficult to judge who was more excited, the children or Mrs Raynes!



"After an early departure at 7.30 am we arrived at lunchtime ready for an exciting three-hour tour of the studio! We were taken through the actual door used in the films and entered the Grand Hall where Harry and his friends eat their meals in the films!

From this moment on we saw props that we recognised from all the various films; cauldrons, wands, costumes, animals, floating candles, brooms and many other things! We all learned secrets of filming the special effects and even had a go on the brooms! We even wore some cloaks to look like just like students from Hogwarts!

This year's special attraction was to walk through 'The Forbidden Forest' which was scary, especially when an enormous spider came out of the cave. This really scared Mrs Raynes! The best bit was at the end when we saw a... ..oh but that will spoil your visit! We all really enjoyed the day out and would recommend it to all of you! We are certainly talking about going back again!"



Spring Family Crafts Workshop

Explore with your family our "Printed Impressions" exhibition and create your own prints inspired by the hidden and fascinating shapes of St Marie's Cathedral in our next family fun-packed workshop! Free entrance, though booking is required. To book please visit <http://stmariecathedral.org/visit-us-home/bookings/>. Please note, the activities are suitable for children aged 3+ (though children must be accompanied by an adult).

The Hare & Hatter's Wonderland Walk



You don't have to fall down a rabbit hole to join Alice on a magical adventure...you simply have to join Hare and Hatter's Wonderland Walk!

Children of all ages – and their parents too – will love discovering the dream world of Lewis Carroll's classic fantasy novel Alice's Adventures in Wonderland as they take part in a special afternoon of adventure and support our patient care.

Join the March Hare and the Mad Hatter at 2pm on Sunday 2nd July 2017 in Ecclesall Woods for the most imaginative 5k sponsored walk of the summer.

An experience for all ages, the walk is a fantastic new opportunity to have fun with the family and raise vital funds for St Luke's care by raising sponsorship as a team or family.



"Every kilometre you walk together will help us continue to be there for people across Sheffield, when they need us most," says Events Co-ordinator Greg van Heeswijk.

Beginning on Limb Lane in Dore, participants will journey through the enchanting Ecclesall Woods with family and friends, experiencing wonderfully creative and interactive areas that tell the story of Alice from Lewis Carroll's whacky Wonderland. At the end of the walk there will be celebrations for all with games, food, drink and music. The registration fee is £16 per adult and £11 per child with under the age of four going free. Please follow the link: <https://www.stlukeshospice.org.uk/welcome/industry-news/detail/2017/04/05/join-hare-and-hatter-on-their-enchanted-wonderland-walk>.

Statement to Live By

Next week our 'statement to live by' will again be **"I understand the importance of peace."**

Time to talk: What is peace? What does it mean? Can you find the meaning in a dictionary? Why is it so important? Why is Jesus sometimes called the Prince of Peace?

True peace comes only from love. God is love, so peace is His gift to us; if we are open our hearts and minds to Him. We pray for peace in our world; peace in our lives; peace in our families and relationships; and peace in our hearts. It is peace that can lead us to true happiness and contentment at school and at home.



WORRYING
does not take
away tomorrow's
TROUBLES,
it takes away
today's
PEACE.

“Peace
begins
with a
smile.”

Mother Teresa

Have a great weekend,

Best wishes,
Mr Barratt