



# St John the Baptist's Weekly Newsletter

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Faithfulness, Courage and Respect



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## Welcome families

We were overwhelmed by the generosity and kindness of our families in response to our non-uniform day for chocolate items for the Easter Raffle. Thank you so much, your support is very much appreciated.

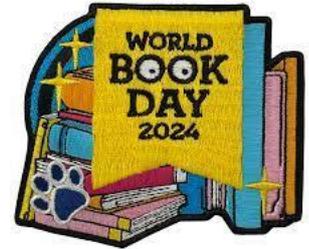
Today, a number of children across school enjoyed a Mc Flurry as a treat for their amazing GTBG efforts. Keep up the super behaviour everyone and we look forward to finding whose turn it is after Easter! Do have a look on X (Twitter) to see all the different things taking place at St John's.

There is excitement across school for our World Book Day celebrations which are taking place tomorrow! Don't forget to wear your PJs! Mrs Steadman and Miss Smith have organised a fabulous day to further inspire the love of reading with our children. We have had been blown away with the character entries for our WBD competition. Prizes will be awarded tomorrow.

Next Friday is Red Nose Day (15<sup>th</sup> March) and School Council are asking children to support this fundraising day. They will be sending out a message tomorrow with more details.

On Monday we had an external Art Review which was extremely positive and highlighted the high quality offer our children have at SJB. Huge thanks to our staff team, to Miss Brennan for her passionate leadership of Art and to our amazing children!

With all good wishes, Mrs Hartley



## Virtue to live by: Self-control

*I have self-control.*

*I speak and act calmly.*



## Our Catholic Life and Mission

During Lent, children from KS2 and Y2 will be joining the morning Parish Mass at Church at 9.30am. We are sharing these dates now to give as much notice as we can as it would be wonderful if families are able to celebrate Mass with us on these days.

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February-Year 6**

**Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February- Year 5**

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March- Year 4**

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March- Year 2 and 3**

*This is the Feast of St Joseph which is Y2's Class Saint.*

Please use the link below to see the Parish Bulletin.

<https://www.stjohnthebaptistnormanton.>

We are sharing the dates of our **Holy Week Liturgies** to give families as much notice as possible. We warmly invite families to attend the liturgies.

### Holy Week Liturgies

**Monday 25.3.24** 9.15-10.15am Palm Sunday Liturgy - Rec/Y1

**Tuesday 26.3.24** 9.15-10.15am The Last Supper Liturgy - Y2/ Y3

**Thursday 28.3.24** 9.15-10.15am Good Friday Liturgy - Y5

### After Easter break

**Tues 16.4.24** -9.15-9.45am- Y6 Resurrection

Collective Worship

**Friday 19.4.24** 9.30-10.30 Roll Back the Stone - Y4 Performance

## Diary Dates

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March** – Book Day -PJ's

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March**- Red Nose Day (Message from School Council will be sent with more information)

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March**- World Down Syndrome Day (Children can wear a yellow or blue item with their uniform)

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March**- Parent Association Meeting which is straight after school. Please enter school via the school office.



## Safeguarding

Should you have any concerns regarding the safety of children please contact the safeguarding team.

**DSL: Mrs Hartley (Headteacher)**

**Deputy DSLs: Mrs D Ferguson, Miss B Noone, Mrs G Martin (Deputy Headteacher) and Mrs L Steadman**



## Attendance

Our school attendance target for each class is 96%. Classes are rewarded for achieving the highest attendance for the week.

**Congratulations to Year 4 who had the winning attendance last week and won gold.**

**Gold – Year 4   Silver – Year 3   Bronze - Year 2**

## Celebration Assembly

We are really looking forward to celebrating Gold Book Assembly next week.



## Wednesday Word

Please see the link for this week's *Wednesday Word* below.

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/self-giving?pid=MTA101634&v=121.5>

## 100 Club

The winner for last week was number 57, Mrs C Hill

## Lunches

Over the last few weeks there have been several children that have not ordered their lunches. Please where possible can you log in to your child's SchoolGrid account and pre order at home to ensure your child has the lunch they would like. Donna, our cook, cook's meals to order so is important the information is correct.

**Also, please note, if you pre order a school lunch and send your child in with a packed lunch then you will be charged if the meal has been cooked.**

## Dolce

We have been informed by Dolce that there will be a price increase from the **1<sup>st</sup> April** for school lunches.

Nursery children's lunches are currently £2.28 and will increase to £2.50

KS2 children's lunches are currently £2.60 and will increase to £2.84.

## Crossing Patrol

**Please note that our Crossing Patrol will be absent from site from 16.2.24. This is from the first day back and he could be absent for a couple of months. We will keep you informed if we receive any information about a replacement or when he will return.**

## World Down Syndrome Day

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March is World Down Syndrome Day (and we are asking children to wear a yellow or blue item with their uniform (e.g. blue socks, a yellow hair slide). There is no fundraising involved, this is a special day to raise awareness and Miss Muster, our Y4 Student, is kindly coming back to school (her placement finishes tomorrow) to work in different classes to raise awareness.



## Parking around school

We've recently had some incidents of parking which have not been safe. The safety of our children is our priority at St John's and we thank families for working with us to ensure parking around the school site is safe. This also includes parking along Cemetery Road and around the junction of Shaw Avenue. Thank you for your support.

