



St John the Baptist's Weekly Newsletter

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Faithfulness, Courage and Respect



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Welcome families

School Council have organised a non-uniform day for tomorrow (15.3.24), to fundraise for Red Nose Day. Please send any contributions through School Money. Please note this is a voluntary request and the amount can be changed. Many thanks in advance for your support.

On Monday, some children from our Mini Vinnie's group will be representing St John's and joining our other Trust schools at St Wilfrid's to participate in CAFOD's, 'The Big Lent Walk'. As part of our Lenten Fundraising, tickets will go on sale on Monday for our Easter Raffle. The money raised will be shared between The Bishop's annual Good Shepherd Collection and CAFOD. We thank you for your continued support and generosity towards this important aspect of our Lenten preparations as a Catholic community.

A message regarding the sale of raffle tickets will be send out to families on Friday afternoon. You will be aware that we have recently started using a School Money system and we are now a cashless school and we hope families are finding this system much better. However, please note that because the Easter Raffle is a Parent Association (PA) fundraising event, and children are selling the tickets in school, we will be asking children to bring money into school in a named envelope on this occasion.

Tonight, our KS2 football team have their first friendly match against St Benedict's and I know the team and staff are very excited about this. We wish our team every success and I'm looking forward to cheering them on.

With all good wishes, Mrs Hartley



Virtue to live by: Reflection

I take time to think about the beauty and goodness in myself, others and God's world.

I reflect to see myself as God sees me.



Diary Dates

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

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

Wednesday 27th March- Parent Association Meeting which is straight after school. Please enter school via the school office.



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 20th February-Year 6

Tuesday 27th February- Year 5

Tuesday 5th March- Year 4

Tuesday 19th 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

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 2 Bronze - Year 3

Celebration Assembly

We are really looking forward to celebrating Gold Book Assembly tomorrow at **2.30pm.**

Reception Class – Mia & Zach

Year 1 – Antoni & Olivia B

Year 2 – Junior & Kye

Year 3 – Bella & Jan

Year 4 – Sean & Charlie

Year 5 – Alex C & Zachary F

Year 6 – Seth H & Ava

Lunch time awards – Eliza Y1 & Hetty Y6



Wednesday Word

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

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/follow?pid=MTA101634&v=123.5>

100 Club

The winner for last week was number 54, Maureen Shipman c/o Maisie Y2

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 **1st 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 21st 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 finished last week) to work in different classes to raise awareness.



Parent Association Egg Decorating Competition

We invite children from Nursery to Year 6 to enter our egg decorating competition.



There will be a 1st, 2nd and 3rd Prize for each class and then the 1st place eggs from each class will be entered into a competition for a £20 voucher!

Please bring your entry into school on **Wednesday 27th March** and the winners will be shared in assembly on **Thursday 28th March** in assembly.

If using a real egg, don't forget to boil your egg first!

