

SJF NEWS

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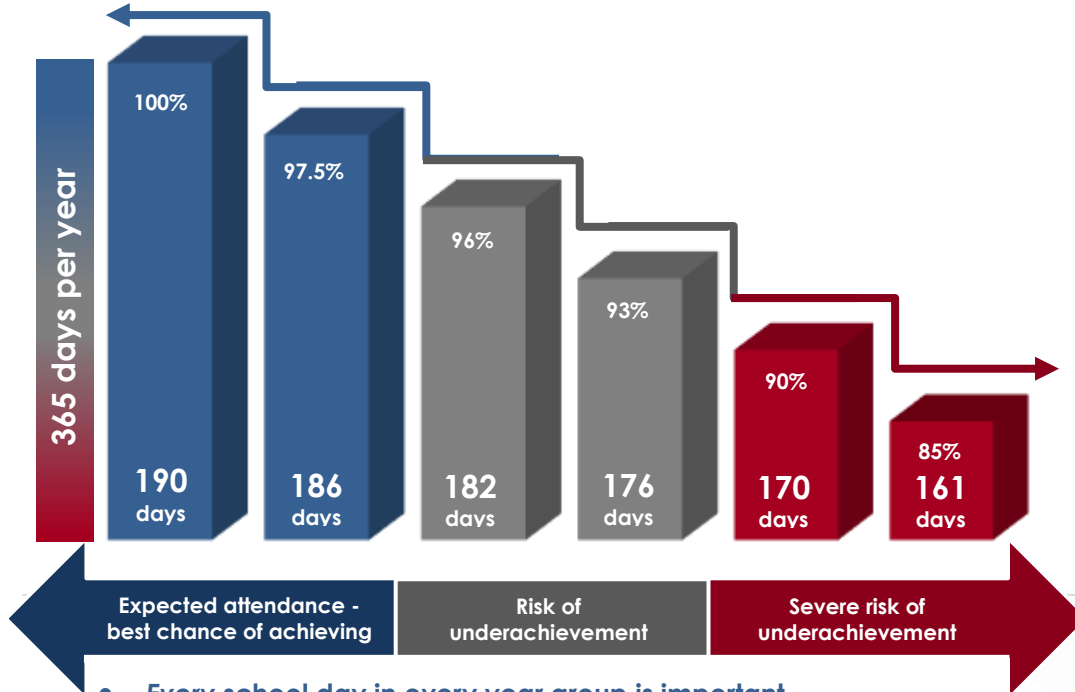


Welcome Back!

I have really enjoyed welcoming back all the children and catching up on their news, especially about all the exciting things they got up to over the holiday. I hope you all had a peaceful and happy Easter.

Term 4 is a key assessment term. The children in Years 1, 2 and 6 will be doing national statutory assessments in one form or another. It is therefore especially important that attendance is good in these classes so that pupils feel happy, secure and prepared when assessed. Please remember that attending school every day is important for all children in all classes. Poor attendance can have a hugely negative impact on a pupil's confidence as well as their progress and attainment. It can cause anxiety because of the sense of missing out and not being in the same place as classmates both in terms of academic learning and friendships.

Obviously if pupils are too ill to attend school then they must stay at home. Also time must be taken if they have important and unavoidable medical appointments. Each pupil's attendance target is 97.5%+ which will give them the best chance to feel happy and assured in school and fulfil their academic potential also.



- **Every school day in every year group is important**
- **Holidays in term-time can have an impact on children and their progress**
- **97.5%+ attendance is the target (186+ days) this year**
- **Try to have no more than 4 days off in a year**
- **There are 175 non-school days for holidays and appointments (where there is flexibility)**
- **Good attenders tend to feel more happy and secure in school, and achieve well**

Attendance this week			
1 st	Y5	99.1%	Bobby Bear will visit next week
2 nd	Y3	98.6%	Brenda Bear will visit next week
3 rd	Y2	98.3%	Elvis Owl will visit next week
4 th	Y4	98.1%	
5 th	Y1	97.7%	
6 th	FS2	95.0%	
7 th	Y6	91.9%	
Target = 97.5%		Average Attendance = 96.9% ↑	



Get Set, GO!			
1 st	Y1	97%	
2 nd	Y4	93%	
3 rd	Y5	92%	
4 th	Y6	90%	
5 th	FS2	80%	
6 th	Y2	78%	
7 th	Y3	70%	
		Average = 86% ↑	



Citizen of the Week

This week's recipient is **Callum Hardy** in **Y6** who understands what humility is in line with our 'Statement to Live By' this week. Callum is incredibly thoughtful and will put others first. Children like being with him because of his kindness and generosity of spirit. Well done Callum, a super role-model, and we are all very proud of you!

Term 5 Smiley Scores

St Andrew's House  69	St David's House  59	St Patrick's House  80	St George's House  44
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Smiley Awards

Congratulations to the following children who achieved 'Smiley Awards' this week: James Christopherson, Hannah Dworak and Owen Ford!

Red Day!

The children in St George's House are invited to dress in something red (instead of school uniform) to mark the feast of St George on **Monday 23rd April 2018**. As with all other House feast days, the children in the other three Houses are expected to wear full school uniform on that day. Thank you.



SJF Calendar

A reminder that our calendar detailing events is available on the 'Homepage' of our website. You can also access it via this link: <http://www.st-johnfisher.org/parents-and-carers-zone/calendar/?calyear=2018&calmonth=4&>

Golden Children

FS2	Ava Steenson for always being kind and responsible and for being an excellent friend!
Y1	James Christopherson for being very responsible when trying to work on something he needs to do! Well done!
Y2	Emily Murray for being a superstar all week; setting the example; being respectful at all times; and continuously trying to improve her standard of work! We are so proud of her!
Y3	Alhamzah Al-Rammahi for having a really positive attitude to his work – particularly problem-solving in Mathematics – and for always being brilliant!
Y4	Tamzin Samba for being a great member of the class this week; working brilliantly with everyone! Well done!
Y5	Millie Taylor for having a positive attitude and for being very resilient in our Mathematics lessons! Well done!
Y6	Saffron Kilbride for really showing what a hardworking and diligent student she is! A fantastic example!

Writing Champions

FS2	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Sofia Cook	Oscar Nelson	Stefania Jankowska	Phil Asumadu	Phoebe Kilbride	Max Peckham	Joel Broadhead

Catholic Life of the School

The SJF Penny War – The Final Push!

The winning class was Y1 with an impressive 195 points after deductions were taken off! Congratulations to the Y1 children (and their families for supporting them). The total raised for the Bishop's 2018 'Good Shepherd



Appeal' was £173.41. This will be presented to Bishop Ralph by representatives of the Chaplaincy Team at a special service along with representatives of all the other Diocesan schools.

Resurrection Mass 2018

I would like to thank Mr Broadhead and the young people of Y4 for preparing and leading our annual Resurrection Mass on Friday! It was such a special occasion! The children read and sang beautifully. I would like to thank Fr Paul for celebrating Mass; all the children who were involved – including our servers; Miss Pendlebury and Mrs Barrett for preparing and leading the music; the family and friends able to join us and offer such wonderful support; and finally the children whose behaviour was exemplary. A visitor to church spoke to us and complimented the children on their behaviour, engagement and singing during Mass!

Weekly Liturgy of the Word

There was no liturgy this week because of Mass. Please note our next liturgy is on **Wednesday 25th April 2018** and will be led by the young people of **Y5**. Please note the change of day. We invite the family and friends of our Y5 children to join us in the School Hall on Wednesday just after 9.00am. Thank you.

Celebration Assembly

Our next assembly is on **Friday 27th April 2018** and we invite the family and friends of our **Y6** pupils to join us in the School Hall at 2.55pm. Thank you

Assessment Point 4

For your information, next week the children in Y6 will be completing their final assessments before they sit the national tests for real (during the week commencing 14-05-18). The children in Y2 will also be completing tasks and work as part of their ongoing preparations and statutory assessments. The children In Years 1, 3, 4 and 5 will be completing their next round of internal assessments during the week commencing 30-04-18.

Art Competition

I am delighted to announce that one of our pupils, Ola Dominik won a prize for her entry in the Sheffield Art Competition! As a result she was invited to meet the Lord Mayor of Sheffield at the Town Hall. All artwork will be exhibited and prizes distributed at a further event next Friday (27-04-18). Congratulations to Ola and all the entries for making it such a great competition!

Term 5 Learning Value

Self-Belief

Last term we focused on our 'Self-Belief' learning value. Our winning class was Y5! Congratulations to Mrs Holloway and the young people of Y5. The individual winners were:

FS2		Ava Steenson
Y1		Zack Malovo
Y2		Tyler Hague
Y3		Alhamzah Al-Rammahi
Y4		Alex Murray
Y5		Christian Adsusei & Fraser Owens
Y6		Sam Orbell



Teamwork

This term we focus on the value, 'Teamwork'. Our Sports leaders led a special assembly on Tuesday to explain to the children what the value is. Teamwork is key in both learning and sport. It shows that when we pull together we are greater than if we pull apart or do our own thing. Teamwork enables us to share what we know and do well with others. It also gives us an opportunity to listen and learn from others' knowledge and experiences. Being part of an effective team also provides its members with opportunities to learn about leadership and supporting those who lead.



Extreme Reading Winners

The winners have been selected, but as they were not announced at the Celebration Assembly this week, we will delay announcement until next Friday. The photographs are available in the 'News' section of the website. They are also displayed on the internal library doors!



Achievements outside of School

- **Cavani Alvaranga** in **Y1** rehaving taken part in a special fun day because he scored goals and made good tackles! What a great achievement Cavani! Congratulations!
- **Owen Ford** in **Y1** completed everything that was required in order for him to receive the 'Creepy House' reading challenge badge! Owen also received a special 'Player of the Week' for playing well for his team, Beighton Magpies! Amazing achievements Owen, well done superstar!
- **Sophie Ball** in **Y4** achieved Level 2 recently in her ice skating lessons and has therefore moved up to the Level 3 group! Congratulations Sophie, a wonderful achievement!
- **Filip Dominiak** in **Y5** won a silver medal in the BJJ Junior National Championships which took place on Easter Sunday! It is the second time that he has competed in these Jiu Jitsu championships and received a medal! What a fantastic achievement Filip! We are all very proud of you!

Bronze Reading Award for having a go and reading most weeks

FS2	Jacob Reaney, D'Mari Robinson and Gabriel Ward
Y1	Freddie Field, Zack Mahovo and Lily Reaney
Y2	Tyler Hague and Maya Ptucha
Y3	
Y4	Oscar Yan
Y5	
Y6	Owen Pack, Saffron Kilbride, Alex Ludlam and William Ludlam

Silver Reading Award for reading three or four times most weeks

FS2	
Y1	Owen Ford, Finn Horsfield, Oscar Nelson, Isabelle Town and Connor Whitehead
Y2	Isobel Stoeman, Phoenix Schmeltz, Riley Wood, Alfie Marsden, Faye Ramos, Polly Flude and Lexi Gascoigne
Y3	
Y4	Lily Peters
Y5	
Y6	Ellie Cope, Jared Ward and Nadia Kamolli

Gold Reading Award for reading at least five every week

FS2	Bruno Chudzinski, Isaac Cowlshaw, Hugo Grayson, Sebastian Hill, Alfie Hitchen, Adia Renner, Willow Marsden, Dominique, William Naylor, Luca Samba, Poppy Sorby, Bella-Rae Stanton, Katie State, Ava Steenson, Amelie Stoneman and Preston Turner
Y1	Cavani Alvaranga, Mia Augustyniak, Katy Beatson, Ellie Beever, James Christopherson, Hannah Dworak, Daniel Grzesiakowski, Lola Harris-Shaw, Alexia Houghton, Logan Howells, Mateusz Kepinski, Charlie Morgan, Lydia Prestige, Edie-Mae Smith, Bella Walton, Bronte Webb and Lena Zasina
Y2	Charlie Emmett, Stefania Jankowska, Filip Dworak, Jessica Ball, Dylan Steenson, Max Oadley, Olivia Moomba, Alan Cudnowski, Kessy Higiuro and Olivia Whiteley
Y3	Freddie Antwi, Marisa Avelino, Eleanor Checkley, Leon Chudzinski, William Denham, Daisy Green, Jason Goddard, Sophie Hemmingway, Summer Marsden, Ethan Yan
Y4	Isla Atkinson, Vilius Bagdonas, Bethany Beatson, Mitchell Clayton, Emily Cowlshaw, Amelia Denham, Xiomara Gregory and Tamzin Samba
Y5	Rafal Boratyn, Fraser Owens, Kacper Smirchowski, Israel Adelanwa, Lola Pardo-Figueroa, Laurie Paige, Odette Paige, Millie Turner, Jack Swain, Jack Oadley, Lorenzo Dizon and Willis Stoeman
Y6	Lily Sanders, Alfie Saxton Clayton, Owen Pack, Sam Orbell and Finley Mappin

REMINDER: Department of Transport Survey

The traffic survey takes place on **Thursday 26th April 2018** from 7.00am to 7.00pm on Occupation Lane up to Halcyon Close. There will be at two officers on duty, operating from their own cars, which will be denoted by bright yellow window stickers displayed in them so that parents/carers are reassured that the officers are there legitimately.



Parent Carer Support

We are resuming our 'drop-in' sessions with a support worker from our local Multi-Agency Support Team. Our new worker is called Cecile, and she will be in school on 25-04-18 (Wednesday) from 8,30am to 10.00am. The meetings will take place in the library.

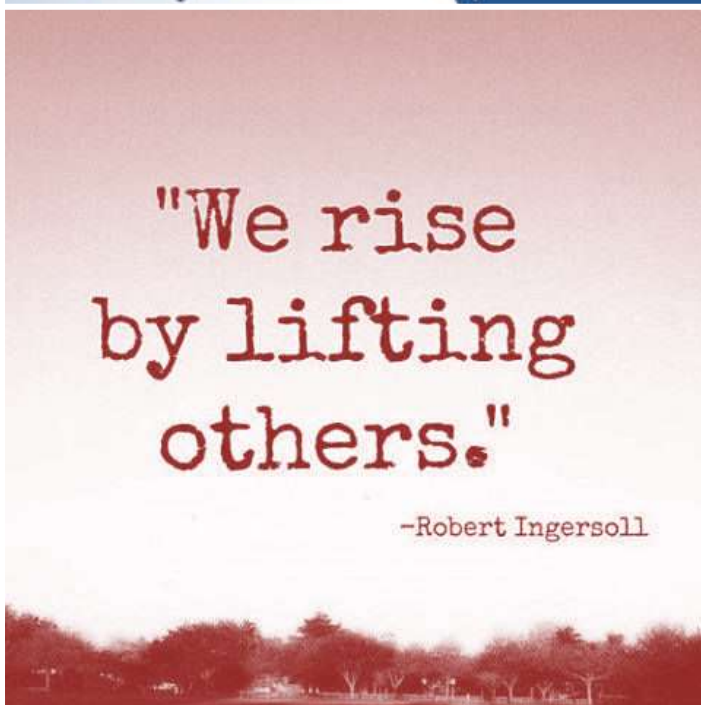
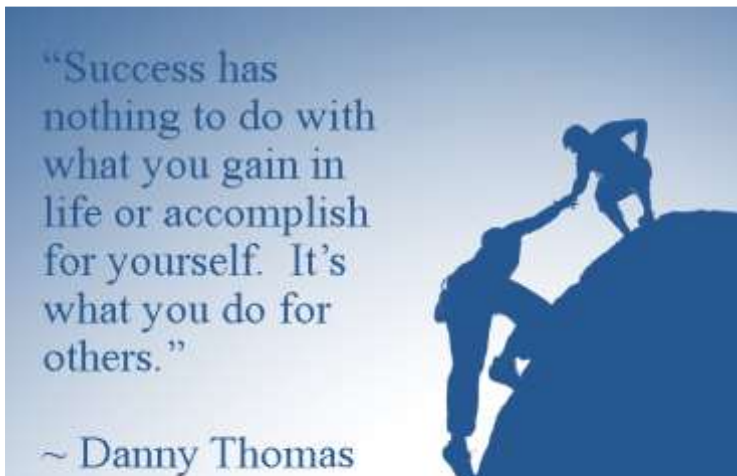
She can advise on the benefits system; referral to other services and agencies; parenting and family issues, debt or housing concerns, issues with addiction or any other worries and concerns.

Please speak to Mrs Pickering or email through (enquiries@st-johnfisher.org) if you have any questions or would like to make an appointment.

Statement to Live By

Next week our 'statement to live by' is **"I know how to help others when they are in trouble."**

Time to talk: At St John Fisher we believe that it is very important to help each other. Why do you think this is the case? What are some of the different ways we can help each other? How can we help someone in trouble in and out of school? Perhaps we can help others by simply doing the right thing ourselves, and by setting a great example. Perhaps we can help others by talking to a grown up and sharing our concerns and worries about others? Perhaps we can make good suggestions if someone is thinking about making poor choices? Perhaps we can show someone who has made a mistake, and is sorry, that he or she is forgiven and can start again by being kind? Perhaps we can take time to listen *actively* to someone in trouble?



Finally

Whilst we welcome the warmer sunny weather we have to be mindful that too much sun can pose its own risks to children. On days when the weather is forecast to be hot and sunny, please apply protective sun cream at home *before* school. Please do not send cream in for your child or someone else to apply during the day. For exceptional cases please make an appointment with Mrs Pickering to discuss a care plan if there are compelling medical reasons why your child needs cream applied during the day. Please also send your child to school with a suitable and appropriate sun hat and water bottle. Thank you.

Best wishes,
Mr Barratt

