

SJF NEWS

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Citizen of the Week

This week's recipient is **Faye Ramos** in **Y2** who knows how to help others when they are in trouble in line with this week's statement to live by. Faye is a very kind and determined young lady, with a strong sense of what is fair and right. She is so generous with her time and thinks nothing of offering it to help to anyone in need. Importantly, she does not seek reward nor recognition and yet the kindness she shares is noticed and appreciated by everybody. Well done Faye, we are all very proud of you!

Term 5 Smiley Scores

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|  <p>St Andrew's House</p> <p>171</p> |  <p>St David's House</p> <p>150</p> |  <p>St Patrick's House</p> <p>170</p> |  <p>St George's House</p> <p>128</p> |
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Smiley Awards

Congratulations to the following children who achieved 'Smiley Awards' this week: Philemon Asumadu, Ethan Usher, Isabelle Town, Oscar Nelson, Annabell Ost, Polly Flude, Emily Wood

Catholic Life of the School

The SJF Penny War

| Class | Penny Points | Sabotage Points | Rank |
|-------|--------------|-----------------|------|
| Y1 | 800 | 605 | 1st |
| Y6 | 912 | 1080 | 2nd |
| FS2 | 504 | 710 | 3rd |
| Y5 | 1387 | 1660 | 4th |
| Y2 | 447 | 1060 | 5th |
| Y4 | 1292 | 2885 | 6th |
| Y3 | 719 | 3280 | 7th |

After valiant efforts collecting copper coinage and lots of sabotaging, here are the results of the Great St John Fisher Penny War 2018. A grand total of **£173.41** was raised for 'The Good Shepherd' Appeal, a fantastic amount for St Patrick's charity this year. Many thanks to you all for your kindness and support.



Weekly Liturgy of the Word

Many thanks to our Y5 children who led this week's liturgy. Please note there is **no** liturgy next week as it is Assessment Point 4. Our next liturgy is therefore on **Thursday 3rd May 2018** and will be led by our **Y3** pupils. We invite the family and friends of our Y3 children to join us in the School Hall just after 9.00am. Thank you.

Celebration Assembly

Our next assembly is on **Friday 4th May 2018** and we invite the family and friends of our **Y5** pupils to join us in the School Hall at 2.55pm. Thank you

Assessment Point 4

For your information 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.

Writing Champions

| FS2 | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Year 5 | Year 6 |
|---------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|------------|-----------|--------------|
| Kacper Trytek | Mia Augustyniak | Ruby Adelanwa | Harley Kynoch | Sami Hardy | Eesaa Din | Poppy Walton |



Golden Children

- FS2** **Connie Marsden** for making such good progress in her reading and writing and working really hard at home!
- Y1** **Charlie Morgan** for making a huge effort to do the right thing. He is acting responsibly and trying hard to be a good role-model!
- Y2** **Giavanni Mukendi** for making great progress and setting a super example to others!
- Y3** **William Denham** for making a fantastic effort; for really trying hard to lead his own learning; and for having a positive attitude! Well done!
- Y4** **Phoebe Asumadu** for making great effort in English with her great diary writing!
- Y5** **Diana Nicula and Marcus McKernan** for both working really well together in maths lessons. Keep it up!
- Y6** **Kai Taylor** for making wonderful progress in mathematics!

Art Competition

We are incredibly proud that many of our children will have artwork exhibited at Pond's Forge, Sheffield this weekend. Congratulations go to: Ellie Beever, Ellie Cope, Ola Dominiak, Hannah Dwarak, Charlie Emmett, James Fitzpatrick, Ben Forgo, Ruby Haywood, Alexia Houghton, Stefania Jankovska, Nadia Kamolli, Saffron Kilbride, William Ludlum, Ruby Malloy, Lily Reaney, Lily Sanders, Bella Walton, Poppy Walton, Isabelle Walton-Hall, Olivia Whitely and Emily Wood! We are all very proud of you!

Extreme Reading Winners

We are pleased to announce the winners of the 'Extreme Reading' competition. It was incredibly hard for our school councillors to judge as so many pupils at St John Fisher had gone 'Extreme Reading' crazy! We are so grateful to every child who entered! The school councillors deliberated long and hard before deciding to award the FS2/KS1 prize to Erin Cooper in FS2, who was reading with her sister in a Lego classroom; and the KS2 prize jointly to Odette and Laurie Paige who managed some extreme reading whilst on a roller-coaster! Well done to everybody who entered! Please keep on reading!

Achievements outside of School

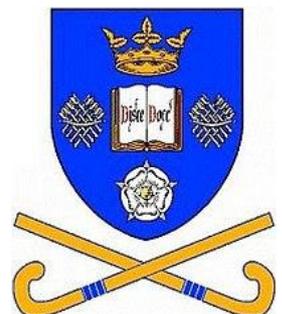
- **Daniel Grzesiakowski** in **Y1** for completing stage 1 swimming. This is a massive achievement, with Daniel gaining lots of water confidence. We are very proud of you Daniel. Congratulations!
- **Sophie Hemingway** in **Y3** who will be swimming 400m on Saturday 28th April, for Cancer Research and Marie Curie. Good luck Sophie!
- **Rafal Boratyn** in **Y5** recently passed his Grade 1 piano exam with distinction at the Sheffield Music Academy, He also won a cup for being runner up for his age group in the Yorkshire Junior Chess Congress which took place last Sunday in York! Congratulations Rafal on you fantastic achievements!

Year 3/ 4 Hockey Stars!

On Thursday 26th April I was very privileged to lead a group of twelve children from Years 3 and 4 who were representing our school and taking part in an inter-schools hockey tournament arranged jointly by our friends from the Links Sports Partnership and the Sheffield Bankers' Hockey Club. The tournament took place at a 'proper' hockey pitch at the Goodwin Sports Ground in the city centre.

Feeling very nervous, the children stepped onto the pitch, each grasping a proper hockey stick in their hands for the first time in a competitive match. Poor weather had restricted our opportunities to practice, but we were typically positive and ready to embrace new experiences come-what-may! In fact we had only managed one coaching session before the tournament, so tummies were a little swirly!

In the event, our players were brilliant! They played positively and in a sporting way. Each were fantastic ambassadors for our school. They worked hard; laughed; helped





each other; commiserated; and supported one other throughout the tournament. They were also very respectful of the other teams, and shook hands with each player at the end of every match. The afternoon finished with St John Fisher coming 4th out of 10 teams and I was so proud to be present, in my SJF sweatshirt!

Well done you superstars and thank you to LINKS and Sheffield Bankers' Hockey Club for giving us this great opportunity!



| Attendance this week | | | |
|-----------------------|-----|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1 st | Y4 | 99.4% | Bobby Bear will visit next week |
| 2 nd | Y5 | 98.1% | Brenda Bear will visit next week |
| 3 rd | Y2 | 97.7% | Elvis Owl will visit next week |
| 3 rd | FS2 | 97.7% | Elvis Owl will visit next week |
| 5 th | Y1 | 97.3% | |
| 6 th | Y6 | 96.9% | |
| 7 th | Y3 | 95.7% | |
| Target = 97.5% | | Average Attendance = 97.6% ↑ | |



| Get Set, GO! | | | |
|------------------------|-----|-------|--|
| 1 st | Y5 | 92% | |
| 2 nd | Y6 | 91% | |
| 3 rd | Y1 | 90% | |
| 4 th | Y4 | 87.5% | |
| 5 th | FS2 | 83% | |
| 6 th | Y3 | 80% | |
| 7 th | Y2 | 75% | |
| Average = 85.5% | | ↑ | |

Reminders

Reporting a child's absence

Please ensure that you alert school of your child's absence by 9.15am. Thank you.

Contact Details

Please ensure that all contact details are up to date, including the 3rd or 4th contact. In the event of an emergency it is vital that we can contact a named person quickly.

Sun Smart

We encourage all children to be 'sun smart' when the weather is hot and sunny. This means that we want them to be hydrated and protected from the harmful effect of exposure to the sun. Please send your child to school with a suitable/appropriate sun hat and water bottle. Please apply protective sun cream liberally at home before school. We ask that you do not send cream in for your child or someone else to apply during the day. If you believe that your child is a special case please make an appointment with Mrs Pickering to discuss the case for a special care plan, especially if there are compelling medical issues. Thank you.

Statement to Live By

Next week our 'statement to live by' is **"I recognise comfortable and uncomfortable feelings."**

Time to talk: At St John Fisher we know that we have three absolute rights; to feel happy, safe and loved at home and at school. We know how it feels to be happy and we know how it feels when we are not. At school we have learned that a worry creates a 'worry ball' inside. We know that the only way to get rid of a worry ball is to talk, talk, talk - to someone trusted as quickly as possible - and we MUST do this if anyone or anything makes us feel unhappy, unsafe or unloved. Who can you tell if you are worried about something or someone?



DON'T BE SHY ABOUT ASKING FOR HELP. IT DOESN'T MEAN YOU'RE WEAK, IT ONLY MEANS YOU'RE WISE.

The best advice I can give to anyone going through a rough patch is to never be afraid to ask for help.

Demi Lovato

There is no need to suffer silently and there is no shame in seeking help.

Joel S. Manuel

Best wishes,
Mrs Barrett

