

SJF NEWS

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Citizen of the Week

This week's recipient is **Cavani Alvaranga** in **Y1** who understands that actions speak louder than words in all things. This was the key message from last Monday's assembly as we focus on what forgiveness means. Cavani demonstrates a positive 'can do' attitude every day, quietly and without any fuss. He just gets on with it. His approach is totally in line with this week's 'Statement to Live by' which has challenged us all to reflect on how we show we are sorry. Congratulations Cavani, you are a fantastic role-model to us all!

Parent Support and Advice Sessions

Sue Bernarde, our Parent Support worker from the MAST team will be in school from 8.30am – 9.30am on the following dates:

- Thursday 5th October
- Friday 20th October
- Tuesday 7th November
- Thursday 7th December

If you would like to meet with Sue in order to discuss any issue affecting you and your family, please call into the library (via the playground) on any of the above dates and Sue will be happy to help you with any issue that is affecting you or your family.

**Advice and support
for children and
families**



**Contact MAST when
your family needs
some extra help**

Y4 Roman school trip

Some of our Y4 children reported on their exciting Roman adventure!

"We went to the Yorkshire Farming Museum in York. We made oil lamps and we were dressed as Roman Soldiers! We were shown the different parts to a Roman Fort. We had to sign and date a contract to become a Roman Soldier. Afterwards we had to meet our three best friends; the helmet, shield and spear. Also we learned how to march, using the words 'sin' which was left in Latin and 'dex' which meant right. Another activity was to learn Roman numerals and Latin. At the end of the day we had to use our secret weapon the terrible twins to scare away the Celts attacked!"



I would like to thank the team at 'The Yorkshire Farming Museum' as well as Mr Broadhead and everyone involved in the organisation and running of this fantastic educational visit, especially our parent volunteers.



Harvest Festival 2017

Our annual Harvest Festival Mass is approaching fast. As in previous years, we would be grateful if you would donate food to school which we will then pass on to the St Wilfred's Centre in Sheffield.

It is important that the food you donate is non-perishable, i.e. not fresh, so the items which are particularly useful are: tins of meat, fish, soup, vegetables and fruit; packets of cereals, 'Pot Noodle'-type products, biscuits, drinking chocolate, instant mashed potato, pasta, rice and dried noodles. Items which are tinned or dried are perfect.

All donations will be received gratefully. There will be a box outside the Y6 classroom from Monday for you to deposit any donations. Our Harvest Mass will be at 9.30am on Friday 13th October 2017, at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church. Thank you again for your generosity and support.



SJF Open Morning 2017

Our next Opening Morning will be on **Saturday 7th October 2017**. If you know anyone who might be interested in looking around school or finding out more about our community please let them know and encourage them to contact us.

We are especially interested in welcoming the parents and carers of children who are due to start school next September.

The Open Morning will provide an excellent opportunity for visitors to meet children, staff, Governors and members of the PTFA.



Plastic Computer Chairs for Sale

We have refurnished the Y5 classroom and are looking to dispose of the plastic computer chairs. These are swivel chairs with adjustable heights and are suitable for adults and children. We are offering them for a contribution of just £5+. The money raised from the sale of the chairs will be put towards covering the cost of buying a brand new bike/scooter shelter for the children to store the bikes and scooters they ride to school. The School Council asked for this last year.

If you would like a chair, all you have to do is sign the list in the foyer by the School Office. The chairs are similar to the one pictured here and there are 27 available and they will be sold on a first come first served basis. Please sign up if you want one. Thank you.



Achievements Outside of School

- **Ethan Yan** in **Y4** achieved a range of badges and awards with 49th Sheffield (1st Beighton Scouts) recently! He achieved awards for taking part in an experiment activity, an 'Imagination Challenge', a photographer activity, a gardening activity and a Beaver sleepover camp activity! Congratulations Ethan! Amazing!
- **Oscar Yan** in **Y4** achieved the 'Learn to Swim' Level 3 standard recently! An amazing achievement Oscar, well done superstar!
- **Keira Ambrose** in **Y5** completed a test and achieved the 'Efficiency E' standard as part of the 'Worldwide Association of Young Riders', part of Pony Club at Snowden Farm Riding School! She also gained camping and Mini Road Riders badges! Congratulations Keira for your amazing achievements!

Term 1 Smiley Scores

<p>St Andrew's House</p>  <p>308</p>	<p>St David's House</p>  <p>308</p>	<p>St Patrick's House</p>  <p>311</p>	<p>St George's House</p>  <p>298</p>
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Writing Champions

FS2	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Bella-Rae Stanton	Lena Zasina	Lacey-Lou Lockey	Marisa Avelino	Lily Peters	Reuben Hastings-Quainoo	James Fitzpatrick

Golden Children

FS2	Hugo Grayson for being such a sensible boy and always listening to instructions! Well done Hugo!
Year 1	Lola Harris-Shaw for always listening so well and answering and asking lots of questions. Well done!
Year 2	Dylan Steenson for being an amazing member of Y2 and adapting so well to the challenges and the changes of being in Y2! You are a star and embrace every aspect of school life!
Year 3	Faith Tough for settling in so well into Y3 and working extremely hard! Well done for challenging yourself and for not worrying if things do not go right first time!
Year 4	Scarlett Cook for doing amazingly well in Mathematics all week and for just giving her all! What a star you are!
Year 5	Keira Ambrose for demonstrating calmness in a crisis! Keira helped a younger child when he had hurt himself. She was very calm and helpful and Mrs Asquith was very, very impressed!
Year 6	Joel Broadhead for giving 100% in the development of his mathematical skills! What a star you are Joel! An inspiration and role-model! Well done!

Attendance this Week

FS2	95.8%	
Year 1	95.4%	
Year 2	98.3%	Elvis the Owl will be visiting next week
Year 3	96.3%	
Year 4	98.4%	Brenda Bear will be visiting next week
Year 5	93.0%	
Year 6	99.2%	Bobby Bear will be visiting next week
Target	97.5%	This week's average attendance: 96.6%

Attendances have again been affected by the same sickness bug that affected so many last week. Congratulations to the classes who exceeded our 97.5% weekly target. Let us see if we can get back above target next week!

Wake & Shake

Thank you to Mrs Broadhead and her fantastic team of Wake and shakers who help everyone start the day with a bang! The tune for Term 1 is "Good Feeling". If you want to practise the routine at home please use this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=neGpgxcJdY8>



Term 1 Sports & Learning Value

Determination is both our sports and learning value this term. Though success in sport and in learning depends on a number of different things, determination is the attribute we are focusing on this term. We are therefore especially looking for children who show determination in school in sport and in their learning more generally.



Named clothes

Please ensure that your child's clothes and belongings are all labelled clearly with their name. This includes bags, lunch boxes and water bottles) and even shoes, so that items are easily identifiable if lost or mixed up with another child's things. Please also check regularly that names are still on items after they are washed. The 'Lost Property' box is surprisingly full, given the time of year, so if your child is missing something please check the box and claim anything that is yours. Many thanks.



Collective Worship

Weekly Liturgy of the Word

I would like to thank the children of Y2 for leading yesterday's liturgy. Next week the 'Liturgy of the Word' will be led by the children of **Y1** supported by some of our older children, and the family and friends of our Y1 children are invited to join us in the School Hall just after 9.00am.

Celebration Assembly

We invite the family and friends of our **Y3** children to join us for our Celebration Assembly next **Friday 6th October 2017** in the School Hall at 2.55pm.

October Prayers

As October is the month of Mary our 'coming in' song will change to 'Ave Maria' and we have renewed the display in the Sacred Space. We will share the Rosary and our prayer of the month is 'Hail Holy Queen'. This beautiful and traditional Catholic prayer to Our Lady is not said as often these days as it perhaps was in the past, which is why it is part of our prayer programme. If you would like to share the prayer as part of your prayer life at home the words are:

Hail, holy Queen,

Mother of mercy,

Hail our life, our sweetness and our hope.

To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve.

To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.

Turn then, most gracious advocate,

Thine eyes of mercy toward us,

And after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary!

Amen.

How to Use Rosary Beads

At the crucifix, begin with the [Sign of the Cross](#) and say the [Apostles Creed](#).

- On the first large bead say the Our Father
- Followed by three [Hail Mary prayers](#). It is customary to say "I offer these three Hail Marys for the increase in the virtues of faith, hope and charity."
- Then say one [Glory Be prayer](#)
- Now you are at the medal that joins the beads, it is time to think especially about any prayer intentions that you might have.
- Then announce the first Joyful, Luminous, Sorrowful or Glorious Mystery depending upon what mysteries you are thinking about that day.
- Then begin the decade with one Our Father all the while keeping hold of the medal.
- On the ten small beads that follow pray ten [Hail Marys](#)
- Followed by one [Glory Be Prayer](#)
- When you come to the large bead, announce the [second respective mystery](#), look at a meditation aid then pray one Our Father
- On the ten small beads pray another set of ten Hail Marys followed by one Glory Be and the Fatima Prayer called a decade, as before
- Continue this pattern of announcing the mystery and praying a decade. Do this for the third, fourth and fifth mystery consecutively followed by one [Our Father](#), ten [Hail Marys](#), one [Glory Be](#) and the [Fatima Prayer](#)
- After the fifth and final decade has been prayed say the [Hail Holy Queen prayer](#)
- Now just as you began, end with the [Sign of the Cross](#)





PTFA News

The next 'Bags2School' collection will be on Thursday 12th October. Please bring in all your unwanted clothing items so that the PTFA can exchange them to raise money for school. Please use your own plastic bags if you do not have the official ones.

FS2 Welcome Meeting & Hollowford Information Meetings

The FS2 Welcome Meeting scheduled for next Tuesday has been postponed and will be rescheduled for another time in the near future. The Hollowford Information meeting will also be rescheduled. You will be notified of the new dates in due course. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Statement to Live By

Next week our 'statement to live by' is **"I can say how I feel."**

Time to talk: Why is it important to be able to share your thoughts and say how you feel? Does it help to keep them 'bottled up' if they are causing you to feel frightened, anxious or unsure? Why is it important to remember that you have the right to feel happy, safe and loved at home and at school? Who can you speak to if you need to? Who will listen?

Explore why it is very important to share worries and to be brave enough to ask for help when you need it, knowing that you will always be listened to.



<p>let go of all worries and anxiety in order to be light and free...</p>		<p>Pray, hope and don't worry. Anxiety doesn't help at all. Our Merciful Lord will listen to your prayer.</p> <p>— Pio of Pietrelcina —</p> <p>AZ QUOTES</p>
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Best wishes,
Mr Barratt