



St John Fisher News

Thursday 3rd May 2013 (Issue 29 2012/13)

Important Foundation 2 Information

There will be a special meeting for parents and carers of all children in Foundation 2 on **Wednesday 8th May 2013 at 2.30pm** in the learning area that was formally the ICT Suite. The purpose of the meeting is to talk about how you, as parents and carers, can contribute valuable information to us about your child's development. Your perspective and insight is very important to me. The meeting will be led by Sue Rogers who is the Local Authority consultant who has been supporting Foundation 2 all year – and especially since Miss Doherty's absence. All welcome.

Please note that there will also be a follow-up meeting on **Wednesday 15th May 2013 at 2.30pm** (ICT suite)

'Streets Ahead' Assembly

The children really enjoyed the assembly last Monday, which was both informative and interesting. The Year 6 children also enjoyed a follow-up session. On behalf of everyone here at St John Fisher I would like to thank Millie Guthrie and the Streets Ahead Team for leading the sessions.

Library

A reminder that if you can offer any support with the refurbishment of our library we would love to hear from you. We are all determined to create a library that will inspire, motivate and excite our young people. If you have any useful contacts and information on obtaining grants/funding etc please get in touch as budgets are tight. Lastly in the future we will be looking for donations of high quality (and appropriate) new and nearly books and 'U' and 'PG' certified DVDs, so if you have some that you would like to donate please put them to one side until we get in touch. Thank you for your support.

Golden Children

The teachers of each class have added the names of the following children to our Golden Book this week:

• F 2	Willis Stoeman for improved behaviour and excellent walking whilst in the line and around school!
• Year 1	Ellie Cope for trying so hard with her independent writing!
Year 2	William Oadley for good listening and excellent lining up!
Year 3	Christiano (CJ) Pinto for using 'power words' that he has learned in his Read Write Inc group!
• Year 4	Sophie Robinson-Oates for trying really hard in numeracy to reach her personal goals and for growing into a confident mathematician!
• Year 5	Joseph Stamford for making fantastic progress in mathematics. Joseph has worked particularly hard in his 'Big Maths' team!
• Year 6	George Thompson for excelling in his reading test and for showing himself what he can really do!

Faith School Transport Subsidy

If you would like to support our stance against the proposal to remove the transport subsidy the address is: Inclusion and Learning Services, Floor 3, Howden House, Union Street, Sheffield. S1. 2SH. Responses to the first consultation have been scrapped so you will need to respond again if you would like your views considered as part of this process.

Gardens & Outside Spaces

Unpaid workers will soon start work to improve our outdoor environment as part of the Probation Service's Community pay Back scheme. They will be in school working at weekends.

If you (or someone you know) would be interested in helping us to develop our gardens and outside spaces - in either the short or longer term - to make them more attractive, please get in touch. All volunteers will be subject to the necessary child protection security checks. Also if you any useful contacts we would also like to hear from you. Thank you.

Weekly Attendance Winners

The classes achieving the highest attendance for the week commencing 29 April were:

- In first place was Y6 with 99.3% attendance over the week
- In second place was Y2 with 98.0% attendance over the week
- In third place was Y5 with 97.7% attendance over the week

Over the week our average pupil attendance was 96.5% which is above our target of 96%.

This means that Bobby will be visiting Y6 Bertie will be visiting Y2 and Elvis will be visiting Y5 next week.

Wednesday Word

If you would like to share feedback on The Wednesday Word, please send it to me via our main email address: enquiries@stjohnfisherlearning.co.uk. Thank you.

Achievements Outside School

Last Saturday, Evie and Isabella Ramsden (F2 and Y2), Emma and Abigail Watters (Y2 and Y4) and Sophie Robinson-Oates (Y4) performed in the Stepz Dance Academy Show, 'Move It' at Magna. They have been practicing their moves for months and two of them were in more than 7 different dances! The audience had a great time and the show was spectacular.

Last Friday, Finn attended the annual awards ceremony for his football team, Beighton Magpies. All of his squad were presented with trophies. At the end of the ceremony, Finn was called back to the stage where he was presented with the coveted Clubman of the Year Award. This trophy was awarded to Finn in recognition of his 6 years of loyalty to the club. Well done Finn!

Will Swift was selected by Master Liam Richards at Excel martial arts for Student of the Month. He has also been selected to join a program to become an academy leader. Well done Will!

Kiera Swift achieved her trampolining proficiency badge numbers 1 to 6. A fantastic achievement due to her effort and hard work both in class and at home. Well done Kiera!

And finally, Sonny Wilson and Callum Foster who play for Beighton Magpies beat Greenhill 1 – 0 in the semi-final. The final will take place on 12 May against Worksop Town. Both boys also received Managers Player Awards along with the rest of the team for the fantastic season they have had. Beighton Magpies under 11's also won 'John Eastwood' team of the year. Wow!

Clothes Wanted.

The Parish of Our Lady of Lourdes and St Anthony need used children's clothes (any age), for fundraising. If you can help please contact Ms Golland, thank you!

Footwear for P.E Days

Please may we remind parents that all children from Y1 to Y6 are to have their training shoes (named) in school for P.E all year round. Thank You!

Car Boot Sale

The PTFA would like to inform you that there are still pitches available if you wish to take part on Saturday 11 May. Anyone wishing to book a pitch should send a slip into school F.A.O PTFA with £5.00 please. The PTFA are themselves having their own pitch to sell goods to raise money. If you have any unwanted items in good condition that you could donate, then please bring into school and give to a PTFA member in the school yard. Many Thanks!

Next Year's School Holidays (2013-14)

A copy of the school holidays approved by governors for the next academic year has been sent to you.

Statement to Live By

Our statement to live by next week is: "I know how to help others when they are in trouble".

Time to talk: You could reflect on times when you have been in trouble for one thing or another and talk about who helped you. You could list the different ways you can support others who might need your support.

Finally

A reminder that school will be closed on Monday 6th May as it is a Bank Holiday. Please enjoy the long weekend. Fingers crossed for good weather!

Best wishes,
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