

SJF NEWS

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★ Citizen of the Week

★ The week's recipient is **Molly** in **Y5** who understands what trust is in line with this week's 'Statement to Live By'. We have learned that *trust* is God's gift and linked closely to love. To be trustworthy means that we can be relied upon, and to trust others means that we can move forward and grow as people. Molly is both trusting and trustworthy – and so is not only a wonderful role-model to others but she is also happy and making good progress. Congratulations Molly, we are very proud of you!

Term 5 House Smiley Scores

St Andrew's House  205	St David's House  136	St Patrick's House  203	St George's House  152
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Calendar Reminders

Our **SJF calendar** is available online on the Homepage of our website and in two formats via these links:

- <http://www.st-johnfisher.org/parents-and-carers-zone/calendar/>
- [http://www.st-johnfisher.org/cmsfiles/items/downloads/doclett-20180713194822-9030/SJF%20CALENDAR%20%20\(2018-2019\).pdf](http://www.st-johnfisher.org/cmsfiles/items/downloads/doclett-20180713194822-9030/SJF%20CALENDAR%20%20(2018-2019).pdf)

13-05-19 • End of Key Stage 2 Statutory Assessments (SATs) – Day 1

14-05-19 • End of Key Stage 2 Statutory Assessments (SATs) – Day 2

15-05-19 • End of Key Stage 2 Statutory Assessments (SATs) – Day 3
• Y5 & Y6 Cycling (for pupils on the programme)
• Y3 & Y4 Cricket

16-05-19 • End of Key Stage 2 Statutory Assessments (SATs) – Day 4

20-05-19 • Assessment Point 4 (all years except Y6) – Day 1

21-05-19 • Assessment Point 4 (all years except Y6) – Day 2
• Y1 Educational visit to Old Moor Wetlands

22-05-19 • Assessment Point 4 (all years except Y6) – Day 3
• Y5 & Y6 Cycling Workshop (for pupils on the programme)
• Y3 & Y4 Cricket

23-05-19 • Assessment Point 4 (all years except Y6) – Day 4
• No Liturgy of the Word (Assessment Week)
• Y2 Educational Visit to 'The Deep'
• FS2 Phonics & Reading Workshop (3.30pm, FS2 Classroom)

24-05-19 • Y4 Celebration Assembly (9.05am, School Hall)

School Holiday (27-05-19 to 31-05-19)

03-06-19 • Start of Term 6 & start of **International Week** (Whole School)

06-06-19 • Y1 Liturgy of the Word (9.05am, School Hall)

07-06-19 • Y2 Celebration Assembly (9.06am, School Hall)
• Y2 Skipping Festival

08-06-19 • **First Holy Communion** Mass (Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, 10.00am)



End of Key Stage 2 Statutory Tests (SATs)

Next week our fantastic Y6 pupils will join Y6 pupils across the country in sitting their end of Key Stage 2 statutory assessments, otherwise known as SATs. It is very important that the children have plenty of sleep and attend school each day having had a good breakfast.

The tests they face are one of the ways in which the performance of our school is measured and checked. The outcomes of the tests provide the Department for Education and OFSTED with some of the evidence they need to assess our school's performance and effectiveness.

However, it is very important to note that the results of these tests could never and will never tell the whole story about what a special place our school is, nor can they explain how truly amazing each of our Y6 children are. Back in 2015 a Headteacher in another school wrote a beautiful letter to her Y6 children that I would like to share with you, with a few added thoughts of my own...

Dear Y6 children,

The SATs tests do not assess all that makes each of you special and unique. The people who create these tests do not know each of you; the way that we do, and certainly not in the way your families do.

They do not know how hard you have worked and they do not know the barriers you have overcome to get to this point.

They do not know that some of you speak two languages or that you love to sing or draw. They have not seen your natural talent for dancing, acting or playing a musical instrument.

They do not know that your friends can count on you to be there for them; that your laughter can brighten the darkest day or that your face turns red when you feel shy.

They do not know that you participate in sports; wonder about the future; or sometimes help your little brother, sister or parents after school.

They do not know that you are kind, trustworthy and thoughtful and that every day you try to be your very best. They have not seen you conquer fears bravely or overcome obstacles which have sometimes held you back.

The outcomes of these tests will reveal some things about you - but they can never reveal everything. This is because there are many, many ways to be smart and special – and many, many ways to shine and make a difference!

*While you are busy doing the tests just remember that there is no way to 'test' all of the amazing and awesome things that make you, YOU! You **are** gifted in so many ways - **and** unique **and** special.*

Achievements Outside of School

Achievements can be left in the postbox in the school foyer or emailed to us (enquiries@st-johnfisher.org) and can be *anything* that is important to your child – big or small we will publish it and celebrate it!

- **Alana** in **Y1** proved her proficiency received a certificate and a white/purple belt from The Castle Black Belt Academy! Congratulations Alana, a great achievement!
- **Florence** in **Y1** took part in a fantastic show recently along with everyone else in her dance school. She did a dress rehearsal Wednesday after school followed by a show on Friday night, Saturday afternoon and Saturday night! She was amazing! Well done Florence, we are all very proud of you!
- **Lydia** in **Y1** proved her proficiency received a certificate and a white/yellow belt from The Castle Black Belt Academy! Well done Lydia, a brilliant achievement!
- **Amelia** in **Y5** competed in a swimming gala recently and gained two Gold medals, a Silver medal and a Bronze medal – and achieved a qualifying time for backstroke in the forthcoming Yorkshire Swimming Championships which take place later this year! A great achievement Amelia, well done!



Our Catholic Life

Weekly Liturgy of the Word

Our next 'Liturgy of the Word' is on **Thursday 6th June 2019** and will be led by **Y1** and will start at approximately 9.05am. We therefore invite our Y1 families and friends to join us in the School Hall. There is no liturgy next week because of the Y6 tests and there is no liturgy the week after that because it is Assessment Point 4.

Celebration Assembly

Our next Celebration Assembly will be on **Friday 17th May 2019**, will be in the School Hall and start just after 9.00am and we invite our **Y5** families to join us.

Our Eastertide Prayer II: 'The Angelus'

1. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit...

*Hail Mary, full of grace,
The Lord is with Thee;
Blessed art thou among women,
And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
Pray for us sinners,
Now and at the hour of our death. Amen*



2. Behold the handmaid of the Lord. Be it done unto me according to thy word...

*Hail Mary, full of grace,
The Lord is with Thee;
Blessed art thou among women,
And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
Pray for us sinners,
Now and at the hour of our death. Amen*

3. And the Word was made Flesh and dwelt among us...

*Hail Mary, full of grace,
The Lord is with Thee;
Blessed art thou among women,
And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
Pray for us sinners,
Now and at the hour of our death. Amen*

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

LET US PRAY Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ Thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection. Through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Golden Children

The Golden children are chosen by teachers each week.

- FS2** **Aureilia** for planning, designing and making the most creative projects in class! Well done!
- Y1** **Florence** for making such a super start at SJF. it feels like Florence has always been with us. She also sets a fantastic example when sitting on the carpet!
- Y2** **Paige** for having a super week and for trying hard in all areas of learning! What a super example you are!
- Y3** **Dylan** for always working really hard in all subjects and for engaging positively in class discussions!
- Y4** **Jacob G** for having a great week! Jacob has been trying hard I all subjects! Keep it up!
- Y5** **Isla T** for always having a calm, friendly and positive attitude!
- Y6** **Alice** for working really hard and for making wonderful progress!



Writing Champions

FS2	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Charlotte	Ava	Lily-Mae	Azaan	Alex	Hibah	Marcus

BAG2School

Our friends from the PTFA would like to thank everyone who donated bags of clothes for this week's appeal. Thanks to your generosity they managed to raise an impressive **£80!** Thank you for your continued support! If you would like to get involved with the PTFA please email them (ptfa@st-johnfisher.org) to find out more. **Don't forget the forthcoming PTFA children's disco on Friday 17th May 2019!**



SJF Spelling Bee & Times Tables Rock Stars

Please encourage your children to practise their spellings and times tables every day. If you need help with anything please contact your child's teacher via the appropriate year-group email address.



Children have a 'log in' Times Tables Rock Stars and there are lots of fantastic online resources and games, that your child(ren) will really enjoy playing as they learn. Thank you.



Y1	x2 x5 x10
Y2	x2 x5 x10 x3 x4
Y3	x2 x5 x10 x3 x4 x6 x8
Y4	x2 x5 x10 x3 x4 x6 x8 x7 x9 x11 x12
Y5	x2 x5 x10 x3 x4 x6 x7 x8 x9 x11 x12 x100 x1000 x20 x50 x30 x40 x60 x80 x90
Y6	All above plus multiplying decimals using place value knowledge e.g. 5 x 7 = 35 → 5 x 0.7 = 3.5 etc.

SJF ports Update

Sports Leaders' Blog

Use the links to our Sports Leaders' blog and keep up-to-date with news about what is happening with the national 'School Games' programme:

- www.yourschoolgames.com
- <https://www.yourschoolgames.com/schools/st-john-fisher-catholic-primary-school-a-voluntary-academy/>



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School 8.40am	Wake Up & Shake Up! Playground	Wake Up & Shake Up! Playground	Wake Up & Shake Up! Playground	Wake Up & Shake Up! Playground	Wake Up & Shake Up! Playground
Lunchtime		Lunchtime Disco Playground	Mr Cross' 'Get Active' Playground	'Change for Life' Playground	Lunchtime Disco Playground
After School 3.30pm	KS2 'Stepz' Dance Parish Centre	KS1 Taekwondo School Hall	KS2 Athletics Playground	SJF Family Fit Club Parish Centre	KS2 Boys' Football School Field
		KS2 Girls' Football School Field			



Attendance this Week			
1 st	Y6	97.7%	Bobby Bear will be visiting
2 nd	Y4	97.2%	Brenda Bear will be visiting
3 rd	Y5	97.1%	Brenda Bear will be visiting
3 rd	Y1	96.7%	Elvis the Owl will be visiting
5 th	Y2	96.7%	
6 th	Y3	96.5%	
7 th	FS2	95.0%	
Target = 98%		Average Attendance = 96.7%	



Get Set, GO!		
1 st	FS2	90%
2 nd	Y1	84%
3 rd	Y2	75%
3 rd	Y6	75%
5 th	Y4	74%
6 th	Y3	73%
7 th	Y5	71%
Average = 77%		

SJF School Council

Taylor Shaw

Seeing food differently

The St John Fisher School Council has been very busy this week. On Wednesday we were joined at our council meeting by Mrs Berrisford who is the Area Manager of Taylor Shaw, who provide our school dinners. The Council gave their opinion on what they thought was popular on the new menu and ways in which it could be improved.



On Friday we were joined by Clive Betts who is the Member of Parliament for Sheffield South East. The council asked him a wide range of questions about democracy; the responsibilities of an MP and what it is like to work in the Houses of Parliament and much more. Clive also shared his advice on what it takes to successfully represent people, something which our councillors found very interesting.

WORRYING
does not take
away tomorrow's
TROUBLES,
it takes away
today's
PEACE.

Statement to Live By
Our next 'statement to live by' is
"I understand the importance of
peace."
Time to talk: What is peace? What does it mean? Why is peace important? Why is Jesus called the Prince of Peace? Peace comes from love and God is love. Peace is Jesus' gift to us when we open our hearts and minds to Him. We pray for peace in our world; in our lives; in our families and in our hearts.

“Peace begins with a smile.”
Mother Teresa

Best wishes,
Mr Barratt

