



# St John Fisher Weekly News



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## London Marathon!

Our chair of governors, Sarah Ludlam (also mum of Alex and William in Y2), is running the London Marathon this weekend! She is running for Breakthrough Breast Cancer in memory of her Mum who died 20 years ago in December aged 52 and her friend Hayley Whitehead who died last year at just 28 years old. Hayley is on the right in the photo with her daughter Annabella who is now just 2. Sarah has been training incredibly hard, around all of the other commitments in her life and the huge amount of time she gives to school. She is currently £400 away from her £2000 target and any support would be very gratefully received. You can donate to this very good cause online through her 'just giving' page at [www.justgiving.com/Sarah-Ludlam40](http://www.justgiving.com/Sarah-Ludlam40).



We wish her the very best of luck, and I know that all of St John Fisher will be cheering her on via the telly on Sunday!

## Y4 Lego Studio Trip

Year 4 have been out again, extending their learning about marvellous machines even more! They visited the brand new lego studio at Sheffield City College on Thursday and had a fantastic day exploring mechanisms and building models. The children said, "I really enjoyed making the alligators and programming them with the computer." "It was a brilliant day with loads of learning!"

## Easter Service

The Community Easter Service led by children in Years 3, 4 and 5 will take place in Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church on **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> April at 2.45pm**. All are welcome, particularly parents and carers of the children in those classes.



## Red Day!

The feast of St George is on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2014. Because this is in our Easter holiday, at St John Fisher we will have 'Red Day' for the members of St George's House on **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April**. To celebrate, members will be allowed to wear something red rather than their normal school uniform on that day. All other children should wear full school uniform on that day. Thank you.

## Ukulele Club

Mr Burt, who teaches different instruments to many children in school, will be running a Ukulele Club in the Easter holidays. This will just be 3 sessions and there is no prior experience needed. If anyone is interested, please email him at [peedeeburt@hotmail.com](mailto:peedeeburt@hotmail.com) for details.

## Marvellous Machines Exhibition

Don't forget that we will be show-casing all the hard work that the children have been doing in our whole school 'Marvellous Machines' theme on the morning of **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April**. Each class will have a display showing a sample of their work along with a child 'curator' to talk visitors through the exhibits. Families and friends are invited to come and visit our exhibition between 9.10 and 10.00am. There will be teas and coffees available from the PTFA.

## Writing Champions

The children who have been named as champions this week for being enthusiastic and for making (or sustaining) improvements in their writing are:

Foundation 2	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Sophie Harwood	Cole Hague and Eesaa Din	Ellie Cope	Emma Watters	John Genita	Emmie Foster	Sam Wilson



## Links Partnership Sports Stars of the Week

The children who were identified as Sports Stars this week were Filip Dominiak, Joseph Kandare, Oliver Nelson and Zak Pilkington. Congratulations all of you!

## House Points This Week

St Andrew	St David	St George	St Patrick
<b>Smilies This week</b>			
105	88	108	75
<b>Running Total</b>			
480	361	356	363

### Weekly Liturgy of the Word

We have now finished our weekly liturgies for this term. They have been very well supported by the families and friends of each year group and it has been a great way for the children to be prepared for the readings at Mass on Sunday. Lots of children are developing their confidence in reading aloud through these liturgies and it has been lovely to share this simple worship with our parents and community.

There will be no weekly liturgies for the first few weeks after Easter because of unavoidable commitments like national SAT testing. Children will continue to take part in collective worship within their classes however. The first whole school liturgy of next term will be led by Y1 on **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**.

### Golden Children

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

• F 2	<b>Jia Robinson</b> for being a superstar and leaving her own toys at home! Well done Jia!
• Year 1	<b>Evie Ramsden</b> for doing really well in her Read Write Inc!
• Year 2	<b>Isaac Pattison</b> for getting on quietly with his learning!
• Year 3	<b>Zarnetta Moomba</b> for always trying hard, being kind and considerate to her classmates, and being helpful!
• Year 4	<b>Faye Curtis</b> for giving an excellent description of the sights and sounds of a steelworks!
• Year 5	<b>Emmie Foster</b> for already reaching her end of Y5 target for reading!
• Year 6	<b>Amelia Jackson-Werchez</b> for being such an amazing learner this year in everything she has done!

### Achievements Outside School

- **Sam Orbell** in Y2 has moved to stage 3 at swimming and has been awarded his 25m certificate! Keep up the good work, Sam. We are very proud of you!
- **Rowan Lodge** was invested into the Beavers last Wednesday. He was very proud to wear his uniform, say his pledge and to have received his first 3 badges! Congratulations Rowan!
- **William and Alex Ludlam** in Y2 reached their first ever football cup final last weekend! Despite losing the match 6-4 in extra time, Alex was voted 'Man of the Match' for his brave and courageous goal keeping efforts, pulling off 3 'premier league standard' saves to keep the team in the game in normal time. Well done boys!

### Parish News

All children and parents are very welcome to attend the special *Easter Sunday Family Mass* on 20 April 2014 at 10.30 in OLOL with music and readings led by children. All children who attend the Mass will get a beautiful Image of Divine Mercy with Chaplet prayer on the back.

**Concert** Our Children's Group "Immaculata" (children from St John Fisher and All Saints schools) invites you to come to their concert on 27 April 2014. **The concert will be preceded by Divine Mercy Service starting at 14.30.** More details on [www.mi-sheffield.com](http://www.mi-sheffield.com)

**April competition for children** The deadline for this competition is 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2014. Please see last week's newsletter for details.

### Statement to Live By

Next week our statement to live by is: **"I try to forgive people when they hurt me."**

**Time to talk:** You could share ideas about what forgiveness means and recall times when you offered or received forgiveness. Is it easy to forgive someone if they hurt us? Why is it important to forgive them? What would our own (or school) family be like if no one ever forgave? We remember that at Easter Jesus died to take away our sins and so we are called to follow his example in our own lives.

### Weekly Attendance Winners

For the week ending 11-04-14 the girls and boys of **FS2, Y2** and **Y6** were all in joint first place with **100%** attendance! They will all be visited by Bobby Bear. In second place were the children of **Y1** with **98.7%** attendance and they will be visited by Brenda Bear. In third place were the children of **Y5** who managed **97.9%** attendance and will be visited by Elvis the Owl. Congratulations all of you! The average overall attendance for the week was **98%**. Thank you for all your support.

Best wishes, Mrs Evans, on behalf of Mr Barratt