



# St John Fisher News

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## ★ Citizen of the Week

This week's recipient is **Dylan Steenson** (FS2) for knowing that simple things can make us happy in line with this week's 'Statement to Live By'. Dylan comes to school every day with a fantastic attitude. He makes the best of everything and particularly enjoys being creative, seeing the potential for something exciting in every cardboard box and scrap of paper. It is a pleasure to have such a happy boy in school! We are all very proud of you, Dylan. Congratulations!

## Pantomime!

We all had an amazing time at the Lyceum theatre watching Aladdin yesterday. The children were brilliantly behaved and a credit to the school and the performance was absolutely fantastic. Mr Broadhead particularly enjoyed being picked on as Widow Twanky's admirer!

A huge thank you to all the PTFA members and midday supervisors who came with us to help look after the children, and an even bigger thank you to Mrs Ramsden and the Spa View Post Office who provided all the children with interval snacks and drinks! We are very grateful.



Hello gorgeous!

## FS2 Nativity

FS2 performed their Nativity this week and did a fantastic job. Thank you to Mrs Darken, Mrs Prentice and Mrs Walton for preparing the children so brilliantly and all the hard work that they put in to costumes, props, the set and all the other extras. Thank you also to all the parents who came to watch – it was a very special occasion.

*FS2, I can't believe how you were. You spoke clearly, you did good singing and you did really good acting. My favourite part was at the beginning when you sang the first song. I thought you were amazing!*

**Matthew Ford, Y4**



*Really good and really cute. I loved the songs and the outfits. Good dancing, good singing, and really good narrators as well. Thumbs up!!*

**Abigail Collins, Y6**





### House News

#### St Andrew's House



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#### St David's House



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#### St Patrick's House



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#### St George's House

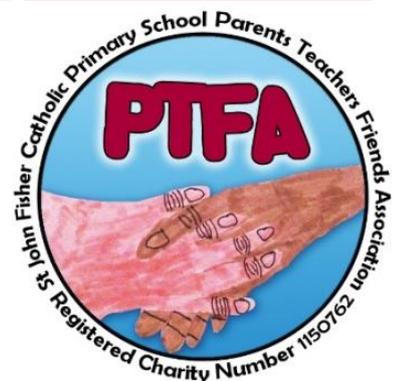


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### Santa in School!



Another big thank you to our PTFA for organising this year's Santa in School day. Santa arrived on the school roof this morning to much excitement in the playground, and as usual, they put on a brilliant day for the children. I think many Christmas presents were purchased, so you can look forward to some nice surprises on Christmas day!



### Assemblies

#### *Weekly Liturgy of the Word*

The first weekly liturgy of the word after Christmas will be led by Y1 on **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2016**.

#### *Celebration Assembly*

Our next celebration assembly will be in the first week back after Christmas, on **Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> January 2016** and the parents, carers, family and friends of the young people in Y5 are invited at 2.45pm as there will be lots of good news to catch up on.

### Mary's Meals

Boxes are filling up nicely with items for the Mary's Meals backpack project and staff in school have decided to buy some backpacks to fill with them instead of sending Christmas cards to each other this year. Thank you for all your donations so far.

*Suggestions for items to go into the backpack include: clothes, stationery, a spoon (plastic), toiletries such as a toothbrush, toothpaste and a bar of soap, a small ball and a towel. The charity asks that we do not include liquids, sweets and toys as it causes problems at customs.*

*If you would like to help you can choose to donate an item or two which will be added to a backpack or if you would prefer you can donate a full backpack. If this is what you want to do please label it clearly as a boy's backpack or a girl's.*

The Chaplaincy Team will also be running a 'Christmas Jumper Day' on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Dec to raise money to provide children with a hot meal every day at their place of education.

### Travelling Crib



FS2 children have been taking home the travelling Crib so that they can reflect on the true meaning of Christmas with their families. The children set the crib up in their home, light a candle, listen to the Christmas story and say a prayer together. Thank you to all the families who have been involved.

### Forthcoming Events

- 15-12-15 KS1 Nativity play (Hall) (2.15pm)
- 16-12-15 KS1 Nativity play (Hall) (2.15pm)
- 18-12-15 KS2 Carol Service (Church) followed by refreshments in the hall (2.00pm)  
End of term!

### Parent Pay

Please note that it is important that all families register for ParentPay as this system will be used not only for paying for and **ordering** school dinners (including those children entitled to free school meals), but will in the future be used for paying for educational visits and school trips as well. We are expecting that the new system will be better for everyone, making things easier and more flexible.

The information and login details needed in order to register were sent out by letter and email, but if you need to be given login details again, they are available from the school office.

Thank you.

### School Dinners

Letters about any outstanding dinner money will be going home today. Please check your child/ren's book bag for these as we will need outstanding balances to be paid by **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December**.

Thank you.

### Achievements Outside of School

- **Rowan Lodge** in **Y3** performed with the Razzamataz Theatre School on Wednesday evening at Magna to open the Sheffield Star Super Kids Awards 2015. What a fantastic opportunity! Well done!
- **Emily Cowlshaw** in **Y2** has achieved a level 7 Super Swimmers certificate and badge. Well done, Emily!

### Golden Children

This week's Golden Children are:

<b>FS2</b>	<b>Tyler Hague</b> for his confidence and enthusiasm playing Joseph in the class Nativity. You were a star!
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Caitlin Hardy</b> for <b>always</b> doing the right thing! Well done, Caitlin!
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Maya De Souza</b> for wonderful, enthusiastic participation at the pantomime. You were a delight to watch, Maya!
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Millie Taylor</b> for doing fantastically well at swimming and showing a great attitude all week!
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Matthew Ford</b> for always having a fantastic attitude to his work, especially writing!
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Lucy Owens</b> for making a great booklet about Advent. Well done, Lucy!
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>Noora Moshtael</b> for <b>always</b> doing the right thing, quietly, sensibly and without a fuss. Well done, Noora!

### Writing Champions

<b>FS2</b>	<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Year 6</b>
Courtney Nymande	Faith Tough	Erin Gent	Jack Oadley	William Ludlam	Lucas Diaz	John Genita

Please look out for their fantastic work in the school hall

### Top Table

This week's winning family - chosen by Mrs Bower and our lunchtime supervisors - is the Heron. Congratulations to Amelia, Freya, Erin, Mia, Sophie H, Dara, Max and Charlie! Well done, we are all proud of you!

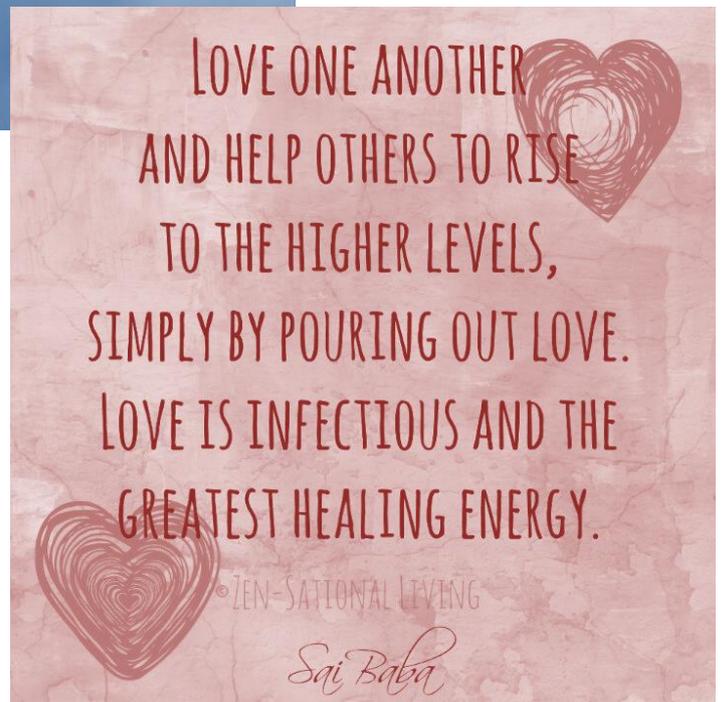
**Attendance This Week**

FS2	99.2%	Bobby Bear will visit next week!
Year 1	97.2%	
Year 2	98.3%	
Year 3	97.2%	
Year 4	92.5%	
Year 5	99.1%	Brenda Bear will visit next week!
Year 6	98.0%	Elvis the Owl will visit next week!
<b>Weekly Target</b>	<b>97%</b>	<b>This week's Average Attendance</b> <b>97.4%</b>

**Statement to Live By**

Next week our 'statement to live by' is **"I try to love others as I love myself."**

**Time to talk:** Together you could think about how we work to create a sense of community. How does love contribute to communities and society? Talk about the different ways that we can show love to one another – to everybody, not just our immediate families – as Jesus asked us to.



Best wishes,  
Mrs Evans