

SJF NEWS

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Citizen of the Week

The week's recipient is **Erin** in **Y1** who understands that rules exist to help us feel happy, safe and loved in line with our 'Statement to Live By'. Erin is an extremely well-mannered and kind member of our community who can be relied upon to work hard and behave well. Congratulations Erin, we are very proud of you!

Term 3 Smiley Scores

St Andrew's House	St David's House	St Patrick's House	St George's House
 61	 59	 49	 62

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)

17-01-19	• FS2 Liturgy of the Word (9.05am, School Hall) – FS2 family and friends are welcome
18-01-19	• Y3 Celebration Assembly (9.05, School Hall) – Y3 family and friends are welcome
22-01-19	• Y6 visit to Beth Shalom, the Holocaust Memorial Centre
24-01-19	• Y5 Liturgy of the Word (9.05am, School Hall) – Y5 family and friends are welcome
18-01-19	• Y2 Celebration Assembly (9.05, School Hall) – Y2 family and friends are welcome
01-02-19	• PTFA Bags2School
	• Y1 Celebration Assembly (9.05, School Hall) – Y1 family and friends are welcome

Collective Worship

New Year Community Mass

Today we came together as a community of pupils, staff, family and friends to mark the beginning of the new calendar year with a special Mass. I would like to thank Mrs Barrett, Mr Hawley and the young people of Y6 for leading the liturgy; Fr Paul for celebrating Mass and for helping us with the preparation of the liturgy; Mr Shepherd and Mrs Barrett for leading the music; everyone who was able to join and support us; and finally the children whose behaviour was exemplary.

Weekly Liturgy of the Word

Our next 'Liturgy of the Word' will be on **Thursday 17th January 2019** and will be led by the young people of **FS2**. We invite their family and friends to join us in the School Hall just after 9.00am.

Celebration Assembly

Our next Celebration Assembly will be on **Friday 18th January 2019** just after 9.00m in the School Hall. The family and friends of our **Y3** pupils are invited to join us.

January Prayer

A reminder that our January prayer is called the Agnus Dei or 'The Lamb of God'. The prayer is recited during Mass, and recalls The Last Supper of Jesus and His apostles during which the bread and wine were transformed in to the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ for the first time. It is therefore a very special prayer. The words are:

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us
Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us
Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, grant us peace





- P** RIVATES ARE PRIVATE
- A** LWAYS REMEMBER YOUR BODY BELONGS TO YOU
- N** O MEANS NO
- T** ALK ABOUT SECRETS THAT UPSET YOU
- S** PEAK UP, SOMEONE CAN HELP

Safeguarding Update

Here is an important update from the NSPCC.

We all want to keep our children safe. You've probably already talked to them about things like crossing the road safely. But have you spoken to them about how to stay safe from sexual abuse? We know it's a conversation no parent wants to have, but we believe it can feel just as natural, and be just as easy, as the road safety chat. We call it talking PANTS. From P through to S, each letter gives an important message for children as young as four to help them stay safe. That's why we want all parents to talk PANTS – because we know that talking regularly with children about these important messages really can help them stay safe.

We know what you might be thinking: this isn't for my child. Of course, no parent ever wants to think their child will be affected by sexual abuse. But that's exactly why it's vital you have this conversation – to help keep them safe. We also understand that talking about this topic might feel daunting, but it doesn't have to be.

PANTS has been created specifically – with the help of parents and professionals – to make sure these conversations are as easy and appropriate as possible for children as young as four.

PANTS *never* mentions sex. We know you might feel that your child is too young to talk about sex so that is why it is not mentioned. It is not about learning about the birds and the bees either. It is practical and reassuring messages to help children stay safe.

We never use scary words. Talking PANTS is about using simple, child-friendly language to give your child the confidence and knowledge to stay safe.

Finding the right moment

Every family is different and when and where you have these conversations depends on your child's age or how grown up they are. It is about what feels right.

Here are some ideas from other parents:

- ✓ when you are running your child's bath, or helping them with getting dressed or applying cream
- ✓ car journeys are a great time to talk
- ✓ going swimming is a great time to talk about the idea that what's covered by your pants and your swimwear is private
- ✓ if they've had a lesson about personal relationships at school, ask them what they remember when they get home
- ✓ if their favourite TV programme is handling a sensitive storyline encourage them to talk about anything that might upset or worry them

NSPCC Links:

Main Site:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/underwear-rule/>

Parent's Guide:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/globalassets/documents/advice-and-info/pants/pants-2018/pants-parents-guide-online.pdf>

Ice-Breakers:

www.nspcc.org.uk/pants



Term 2 Reading & Sports Awards

Well done to the children who have achieved their reading award for excellent home reading last term.

Bronze Reading Award (for having a go and reading most weeks)

FS2	Jack
Y1	Gabriel, Jacob and Samuel
Y2	Paige, Freddie and Tadisa
Y3	
Y4	
Y5	
Y6	

Silver Reading Award (for reading 3 or 4 times most weeks)

FS2	Eddie, Isabelle and Jake
Y1	
Y2	Emily and Lily
Y3	Stefania and Isobel
Y4	Ethan Y
Y5	Oscar
Y6	

Gold Reading Award (for reading at least 5 times every week)

FS2	Amelia, Aureilia, Charlie, Charlotte, Charly, Dominic, Emily, Hyrum, Jacob H, Jacob W, Jenson, Kayl, Keyla, Lincoln, Louis, Luke, Max, Musa, Rebecca and Roman
Y1	Aalia, Alana, Alfie, Amelie, Ava, Bella-Rae, Bruno, Connie, Dominique, Eliana, Erin, Hugo, Isaac, Kacper, Katie, Luca, Poppy, Preston, Sebastian, William and Willow
Y2	Charlie, Lena, Bella, Isabelle, Edie-Mae, Lydia, Oscar, Zack, Mateusz, Logan, Alexia, Owen, James, Ellie, Katy, Mia, Priscilla, Lola, Daniel and Bronte
Y3	Phoenix, Lacey lou, Dylan, Kessy, Giovanni, Riley, Olivia M and Faye
Y4	Marisa, William, Sophie, Mike, Daniel, Jason, Summer, Emilia, Daisy and Caitlin
Y5	Tamzin, Phoebe K and Amelia
Y6	Lola, Jack S, Willis, Fraser, Rafal, Israel, Rebecca, Samuel, Lorenzo, Kacper, Laurie and Odette

Planned Changes to Reading Record System

The Reading Records for Term 3 have not been sent out because the system is being updated for pupils in KS2 (Years 3-6). Details of the changes will be shared next week. The current system will remain in force for pupils in FS2 and KS1 (Years 1 and 2).

Attendance this week			
1 st	FS2	99.6%	Bobby Bear will visit next week
2 nd	Y4	99.5%	Brenda Bear will visit next week
3 rd	Y2	99.2%	Elvis the Owl will visit next week
3 rd	Y1	96.4%	
5 th	Y5	96.1%	
6 th	Y6	94.5%	
7 th	Y3	91.4%	
Target = 98%		Average Attendance = 96.6% ↑	



Get Set, GO!		
1 st	Y2	96%
2 nd	Y6	93%
3 rd	Y5	92%
3 rd	Y3	90%
5 th	Y4	89%
6 th	Y1	88%
7 th	FS2	86%
Average = 92%		↑



Term 3 Learning & PE Value

We mark the start of a new term by introducing our new 'RESPECT' value. Mr Cross led a special assembly supported by the Sports Leaders and Majors.

Mr Cross also congratulated the winners from last term, who demonstrated our 'HONESTY' value. The winners were:

- KS2 – Charlotte
- Y1 – Alana
- Y2 – Alexia
- Y3 – Mateah
- Y4 – Mike
- Y5 – Phoebe K
- Y6 – Jack O



Congratulations to all our winners! We look forward to seeing who demonstrates RESPECT for themselves and others in their attitude, learning and behaviour this term.

SJF STEM Work

This week has been STEM Week here at SJF! STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics! We have had great fun using our STEM learning and knowledge to create gadgets and gizmos! We will display our work at our next Curriculum Exhibition Showcase on **Thursday 28th March 2019**. Here is a 'taster' - some pictures of Y1 exploring materials and we will publish pictures from the all classes next week.





Golden Children and Writing Champions

We will start next week as there was no Celebration Assembly this week.

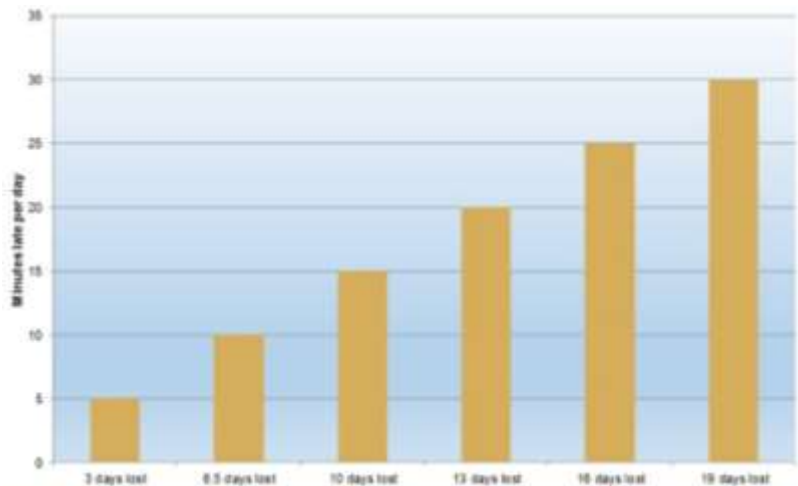
Achievements Outside of School

This week's achievements are:

- **Eleanor** in **Y4** has been very busy indeed! She has been awarded a certificate for swimming 400m; she received a second certificate for achieving her Stage 7 Swimming Award; and she received a third certificate for achieving Level 4 in Acro-Dance! Wonderful achievements Eleanor! Congratulations!
- **Jack O** in **Y6** has been signed to the Sheffield Wednesday Academy! Congratulations Jack, a fantastic achievement!

Important Reminder

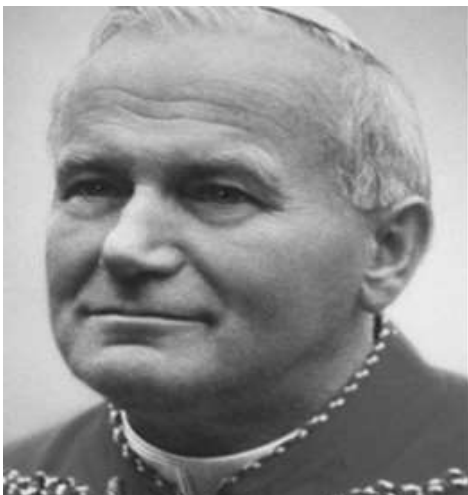
It is really important to arrive at school on time. The chart shows how just a few minutes here and there can quickly add up.



Statement to Live By

Next week our 'statement to live by' is: **'I know I belong to a community that includes my school'**

Time to talk: Together why not think about what the word 'community' means. What makes a community strong and special? Why is our school a community? Who is in your community?



A community needs a soul if it is to become a true home for human beings. You.. the people must give it this soul.

— Pope John Paul II —

Have a fantastic weekend, best wishes, Mr Barratt