

SJF NEWS

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Citizen of the Week

This week's recipient is **Ethan Usher** in **Y3** who understands that rules are important because they help to protect us and keep us safe. Ethan is an extremely polite and well-behaved young man who tries hard to do his best every day. As a result he sets a wonderful example to others – which makes us all very proud of him!

New Year Community Mass

Today we came together as a school community for the celebration of Mass to mark officially the new year. I would like to thank Mr Smith 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; Miss Pendlebury and the choir for leading the music; everyone who was able to join and support us; and finally the children whose behaviour was exemplary.

Staff News

Miss Kiernan

At the end of the last term we bade a final farewell to Miss Kiernan after more than six years loyal service to our community. During that time Miss Kiernan and the inclusion team she was part of, worked very effectively together in order to develop our inclusion provision. We thank her for the important contribution she has made to our community over the years and for the care and support she has shown to so many of our children and their families. She leaves with all our prayers for her future happiness, good health and success as she continues her career in her new school.

Mrs Asquith

We have also said a final farewell to Mrs Asquith who left officially at the end of last summer but who kindly returned to support us in September on a temporary basis until Christmas. We think of her particularly at the moment, and pray for her intentions, following the recent death of her mother after a long illness.

Mrs Morris

We will shortly say goodbye to Mrs Morris who has been with us since September covering Miss Kiernan's class responsibilities. During that time she has worked effectively in both FS2 and Y1, contributing positively to our community and enriching each child's school experience. We thank her for her hard work and dedication.

Mrs Hadfield

We welcome Mrs Hadfield, our new lead for inclusion and diversity, who joined us on Monday. She takes over from Miss Kiernan. Mrs Hadfield has already met a number of parents/carers and has been busily getting to know our children and staff this week!

Term 2 Smiley Champions

St Andrew's House  92	St David's House  97	St Patrick's House  90	St George's House  101
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Smiley Awards

This week Jessica Ball received a special certificate, well done Jessica!

Attendance this Week			
FS2	99.0%	Brenda bear will visit next week	<i>The children had a special assembly on attendance this week. Congratulations to the four classes who exceeded the target – especially the young people of Y3! What a fantastic achievement!</i>
Year 1	92.3%		
Year 2	92.3%		
Year 3	100%	Bobby bear will visit next week	
Year 4	98.8%	Elvis the owl will be visiting for part of next week	
Year 5	98.8%	Elvis the owl will be visiting for part of next week	
Year 6	90.6%		
Target	97.5%	This week's average attendance:	90.9%

NSPCC

Safeguarding Update



Here is an important update from the NSPCC – you may have seen the advertisements on the television.

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

Achievements Outside of School

- **Luca Samba** in **FS2** completed the 'Octopus 2' series in swimming recently and is now moving up to the next level. He was also given 'Lenny the Football Bear' to take home for showing good teamwork in his football group over the Christmas holiday! Congratulations Luca, what great achievements!
- **Faye Ramos** in **Y1** is a member of Eckington Swimming Club and achieved four 1st place medals in a recent swimming competition! Well done Faye!
- **Bronte Webb** in **Y1** received a special certificate for completing the Stage 1 swimming standard. A wonderful achievement, Bronte, well done!
- **Emilia Rodgers** in **Y3** recently achieved the Stage 3 standard in swimming! Congratulations Emilia, we are all very proud of you!

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)

Y1	Tadisa Bandawa, Hannah Dworak and Lydia Prestidge
Y2	Lexi Gascoigne, Tyler Hague, Giovanni Mukendi and Maya Ptucha
Y3	Mia Whitehead
Y5	Kacper Smiechowski and George Marsden

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

Y1	Mateusz Kepinski, Oscar Nelson, Lily Reaney and Isabelle Town
Y2	Kiya Griffiths, Alfie Marsden and Faye Ramos
Y3	Jacob Nelson and Jacob Genita

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

Y1	Cavani Alvaranga, Mia Augustyniak, Katy Beatson, Ellie Beever, James Christopherson, Owen Ford, Daniel Grzsiakowski, Lola Harris-Shaw, Finn Horsfield, Alexia Houghton, Logan Howells, Zack Mahovo, Charlie Morgan, Edie-Mae Smith, Bella Walton, Bronte Webb and Lena Zasina
Y2	Jessica Ball, Charlie Emmett, Kessy Higiro, Stefania Jankowska, Lacey Lou Lockey, Caleb McAuley, Olivia Moomba, Max Oadley, Dylan Steenson, Isobel Stoeman, Olivia Whiteley and Riley Wood
Y3	Eleanor Checkley, Mike Masuka, Summer Marsden, Sophie Hemingway, Daisy Green, Olivia Woods, Marisa Avelino, Jason Goddard, Daniel Hill and Alhamzah Al-Rammahi
Y4	Isla Atkinson, Mitchell Clayton, Emily Cowlshaw, Amelia Denham, Xiomara Gregory, Freya Jones, Tamzin Samba, Archie Saxton-Clayton and Isla Thompson
Y5	Rafal Boratyn, Lorenzo Dizon, Joseph Kandare, Evie Ramsden, Jack Swain, Laurie Paige, Willis Stoeman, Lola Pardo-Figueroa, Reuben Hastings-Quainoo and Odette Paige

PE Swap

A reminder that this term Y5 PE will be on Thursdays and Y2 PE will be on Wednesdays whilst Sheffield Utd FC coaches lead the Y5 PE lessons. The sessions will swap back from the start of Term 4. Thank you.

Writing Champions

FS2	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Alfie Hitchen	Edie-Mae	Ruby Adelanwa	Alhamzah Al-Rammahi	Sophie Ball	Lorenzo Dizon	Finley Mappin

Golden Children

- FS2** **Harris Dunford-Goodinson** for doing some amazing number work this week!
- Y1** **Katy Beatson** for always doing the right thing!
- Y2** **Maya Putcha** for making a brilliant start to Term 3! Great listening and learning!
- Y3** **Olivia Wood** for having a brilliant attitude to her work – very positive! A great start to 2018!
- Y4** **Maya DeSousa** for trying her best in all things this week and for showing a great attitude to learning! Simply brilliant!
- Y5** **Max Peckham** for for making a great start to the term and for being so helpful and welcoming to Mr Clifford, the supply teacher!
- Y6** **Alfie Saxton-Clayton** and **Nadia Kamoli** for making wonderful progress in Mathematics! We are very proud of you both, superstars!

Collective Worship

Weekly Liturgy of the Word

Next Thursday (18th January) our liturgy will be led by the young people of Y1 and the family and friends of our Y1 children are invited to join us in the School Hall just after 9.00am.

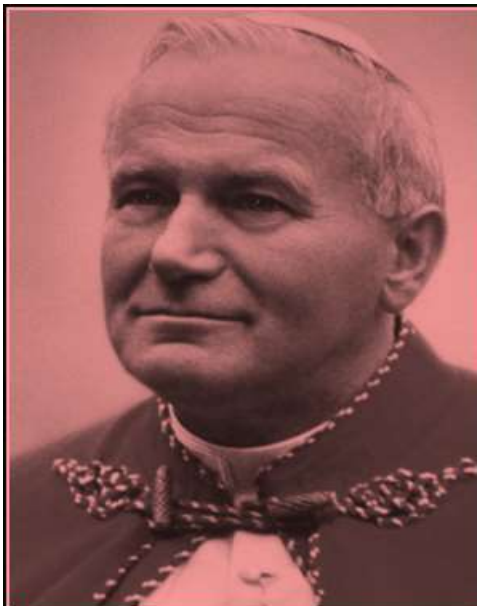
Celebration Assembly

A reminder that there is **no** Celebration Assembly next week on **Friday 19th January 2018**. This is because there is a special Y2 Skipping Workshop now taking place that day. Instead the family/friends of our Y2 children are invited to join us the week after (Friday 26th January) along with the friends/family of our Y1 children.

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 and then use a dictionary to see if you are right? 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