



# St John Fisher News

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## Citizen of the Week

This week's recipient is **Brody McConaghy** (Y5) who was chosen for remembering our statement to live by: 'I stand up for others who are being treated unfairly'. Brody is a young man who has a strong sense of what is right and wrong. He is kind and tries hard to get along with everyone else. He really does understand why it is important that everyone feels happy, safe and loved every day which is why he stands up for others he believes are not being treated fairly. He does this without fuss remembering the proper ways to do this which avoid confrontations. Congratulations Brody we are all very proud of you!

## Special Non-Uniform Day

As it is the feast of our patron, St John Fisher on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2015 we have decided it will be a dress-down day for all children and staff. There will be no cost for this - it will just be because it is a special day in the life of our community. Later on in the day the children will have an opportunity to play and work with their buddies.

Y2 children will be wearing PE anyway as it is their special sport event at the EIS later that day.



## Confirmation

I ask for your prayers for the following children from our community who are receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this evening at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church.



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| • Sam Jephson     | • Leighton Gough     | • Charlotte Cope        |
| • Caitlin Grayson | • Mia Pardo Figueroa | • David Crosby-Griffin  |
| • Alex Thompson   | • Luke Murphy        | • Sophie Robinson-Oates |
| • Stella Avelino  | • Annabelle Langley  | • Abi Marchant          |
|                   | • Hubert Javorski    | • Ellie Scott           |

## The Catholic Cup

This week pupils took part in the annual Catholic Cup football tournament for Sheffield primary schools which was again organised by our friends from All Saints Catholic High School at the Goals Centre. Some of our players recorded their own accounts of what happened which are shared below:

**All Saints**  
Catholic High School



The Catholic Cup is a football tournament for Catholic schools in Sheffield. This year we came up against St Wilfrids, St Patricks, St Catherine's, St Maries, St Ann's and Sacred Heart schools.

Our highest scorer was Jacob Croft who scored four great goals. The Catholic Cup was a 6-a-side tournament played for six minutes one way.

Our team came 4<sup>th</sup> in our group. In our team there was the keeper: Evie Flint. The defenders were Alhasan Al-Rammahi and Oliver Peters; our midfielders were Luke Mckernan and Harry Siner and our striker was Jacob croft. On the bench were Franky Diaz and Sam Jephson.

**Evie Flint & Franky Diaz**

We all really enjoyed taking part in the Catholic Cup. It was a truly great experience for us! It was really exciting and every game was really close and thrilling!

Everyone played really well together and worked as if we were a professional club. When we played St. Ann's we smashed them 3-0 (no bragging intended) that was probably our best match and everyone really gave it their all.

We only lost 2-1 to the winners (St. Wilfrid's) it was a really tight game we didn't deserve to lose. We hit the post twice and also hit the crossbar twice.

Altogether we had a great time and appreciate all everyone who helped us and organised the event.

**Oliver Peters & Luke Mckernan**

I would like to thank our talented footballers for trying so hard and for representing us so well – every single one of them was a credit to our community. I would like to thank the parents/carers who went along to support and encourage our players. I would like to thank Mr Mckernan and Mr Broadhead for giving up so much of their own time in order to prepare the players. Finally I would like to thank the staff and students of All Saints Catholic High School for organising this fantastic event and for looking after us so well!

### Letter from the Interim Executive Director of Sheffield City Council

Dear Mr Barratt,

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate you and your staff, the governors and the diocese on the recent Ofsted outcome achieved at St John Fisher.

I was delighted when I heard you had moved from Special Measures to Good – what a result! It was so good to read the feedback in relation to progress achieved since your last Ofsted in May 2013, this is a reflection of all the hard work of everyone at St John Fisher.

Please pass on my congratulations to all your staff and children.

Yours sincerely,

Jayne Ludlam

Interim Executive Director

Children, Young People and Families

### EIS Sports Events Next Week

I would like to remind you that the children in Years 2, 3 and 4 will be attending the EIS for special sports days organised by our Links Sports partners. Please note that the events are on the following days:

- Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June - Year 2
- Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June - Year 3
- Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June - Year 4

The children need to be at school for **8:20am** at the latest in order to be registered so we can be ready to leave school at **8:30am** for the tram. They are to come dressed in their PE kit with a packed lunch and water bottle. The children will be return to school for the end of the school day.

### Parish News

Please see the following message:

The Immaculata Music Group would like to invite everybody to their Summer Concert on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2015 in Our Lady of Lourdes church hall. You can view our YouTube trailer on via this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S25yjyPqGHQ>

Please also note that there is no children's Mass in June, so the next one will be in September 2015.

Thank you

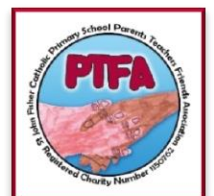
### PTFA News

*The Friday Fayre*

I would like to remind you that the fayre takes place on **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July** in support of the Y5 pupils who entered the 2015 PTFA-sponsored 'Y5 Enterprise Challenge Cup' which was inspired by the All Saints enterprise project. The winning project will be the one that generates the most income during the fayre.

The event is open to pupils from 2.30pm to 3.15pm and to parents, carers and friends of the school from 3.25pm. We would really appreciate your support for this important fund-raising event.

If you shop at ASDA please don't forget to ask for the special green tokens. The PTFA could win £200 for school if we get the most tokens! Thank you for your ongoing support.





### Writing Champions

The following children were chosen by their teachers to be 'Writing Champions' because they have been enthusiastic and have worked really hard to improve and enjoy their writing.

FS2	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Chloe Msungi	Sami Hardy	Fraser Owens	Kayla Osei-Badu	Ellie Cheetham	Faye Curtis	Mia Pardo-Figueroa

### Illegal Parking

Unfortunately I have received a number of complaints this week regarding parking at the beginning and end of the school day. We have referred the complaints on to the Police and the local authority.

I would like to remind you that you are not permitted to park your vehicles on the pavement, for example between the school gates by the new staff and visitor car park.

I am very concerned that there will be an accident involving one of our children and so I ask you all to support us by parking safely.

### This week's Family Workshop with Dads and Grandads

Another creative week for the dads, grandads and children as they learned how to use the Artweaver programme to transform photos. Below is an example of what they came up with.



## School Uniform

Following feedback from parents regarding problems with availability and supply from Marks and Spencer we have taken the decision to move back to 'School Trends' who will aim to supply quality uniform of a high standard.

Apart from ties, uniform will not be available from school. It can be ordered online directly from School Trends via their website:

<http://www.schooltrendsonline.com/schools/StJohnFisherCatholicPrimarySchoolS124HJ>

which will be operational in the next week or so. You can also visit their shop at 10 Carley Drive, Sheffield, S20 8NQ, near 'Direct Cars', Halfway. As well as holding our logoed uniform the shop also has a stock of shirts, trousers, pinafore and summer dresses available for you to purchase. If there is not a logoed item in stock when you arrive you can purchase a plain jumper or cardigan from them which they will embroider it on-site whilst you wait.

A School Trends representative will be in school next **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June** from **2.30pm** with samples of our uniform and order forms. She will also be on hand if you have any questions. A £5 voucher will be given to every parent/carer, which can be redeemed in the School Trends shop if you spend £50+.

Marks and Spencer still have a small selection of items in stock, but items out of stock are no longer available to order.

## Taylor Shaw Presentation

Many thanks to all those who came along to the presentation earlier this week. Everyone was able to sample food prepared from the new menu.

## This Week's Golden Children

• FS2	<b>Mia Lovelock</b> for being kind to other children in class and for being a fantastic friend to others!
• Year 1	<b>Daisy Parkin</b> for trying really hard with her writing and for being kind and helpful to others!
• Year 2	<b>Jack Oadley</b> for showing resilience and for persevering in class!
• Year 3	<b>May Woodhouse</b> for creating a beautiful information poster about Costa Rica!
• Year 4	<b>Isaac Thompson</b> for having a fantastic attitude to learning! Keep it up!
• Year 5	<b>Abigael Collins</b> for trying hard to write an exciting spy story. Keep up the hard work Abigael!
• Year 6	<b>Cerys Pope</b> for gaining in confidence this year and as a result producing some amazing writing!

## Achievements Outside of School

- **Lola Pardo-Figueroa** in **Y2** achieved her 20m breaststroke swimming award! What fantastic news Lola! We are all very proud of you!
- **William Oadley** in **Y4** received both the 'Manager's Player' and the 'Parents Player' awards for his hard work and for always giving his best for his team; Tinsley Juniors. This is quite an achievement because he plays up a year too. Well done William, what a star you are!

## Weekly Liturgy of the Word

I would like to thank the children of **Y2** for leading this week's liturgy. Next Thursday (25<sup>th</sup>) the liturgy will be led by the young people of **Y1**. As usual, the family and friends of our Y1 pupils are invited to join in the hall just after 9.00am.

## Attendance

This week the girls and boys of **Y2** were first with a near perfect **99.3%** attendance and will receive a visit from Bobby Bear! In second place were the children of **Y1** who managed an attendance rate of **99%** and will be visited by Brenda. In third place were our **Y6** students with 98.3% and they will receive a visit from Elvis the Owl.

Our whole-school average attendance this week is **98.3%** which is again above our 97% target. Thank you.



### Sports day

We have scheduled this for next Friday. On that day the children are asked to come to school wearing their PE kits. They will all do a round of different sport-based activities with staff up until to lunchtime. After lunch the children in FS2 and KS1 (Years 1 and 2) will have their event. The older children in KS2 (Years 3-6) will have their event from 2.00pm until 3.00pm.

Parents/carers with children in FS2 and KS1 only will be allowed to take their children home after their competition (at approximately 2.00pm) if they choose, otherwise they will return to class until the end of the day.

I am extremely grateful to the PTFA who will be providing refreshments.

In the event of inclement weather, the morning activities will go ahead inside school and the afternoon competitions will take place on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> of July. The same arrangements will apply on the day. If, however, this is also rained off the competitions will not be rearranged.

### Statement to Live By

Our next 'statement to live by' will be **"I notice we are the same and we are different"**

**Time to talk:** What things do you have in common with your sisters, brothers, cousins and friends? What things make you different? Why do you think some people struggle with difference? Why are we called to celebrate and respect the things that make us the same and different?

**"SHARE OUR SIMILARITIES, CELEBRATE OUR DIFFERENCES."**

M. SCOTT PECK

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Peace is not unity in similarity but unity in diversity, in the comparison and conciliation of differences.

*Mikhail Gorbachev*

**STRENGTH LIES IN DIFFERENCES, NOT IN SIMILARITIES.**

- STEPHEN R. COVEY -

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**Similarities create friendship's while differences hold them together.**

Best wishes,  
Mr Barratt