



St John Fisher News

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Telling Tales Project

I am pleased to inform you that St John Fisher is joining with schools in the local area to take part in an exciting writing project called 'Telling Tales'. As part of the launch of the project the children are invited to dress as their favourite storybook character for a special dress-up day on Wednesday 5th November 2014 (the first Wednesday back). There is no cost for dressing up. More information about the project will be sent home at the beginning of next term.

Open Morning

Please spread the word about our Open Morning on **Saturday 22nd November 2014**. Doors will open at 10.00am and school will be open until 12.00pm. Thank you.

Harvest Mass

Today we came together to celebrate our annual Harvest Mass! I would like to Fr. Paul for celebrating Mass and colleagues who worked hard to prepare the children. Thank you to everyone who was able to join us for the service and who donated gifts of food which will be shared equally between Gleadless Food Bank and the St Wilfrid's Centre.

Community Remembrance Service

Our annual Community Service of Remembrance takes place on Friday 7th November at 2.30pm in Our Lady of Lourdes Church. You are all welcome. If you know a war veteran – young or old – who would like to attend please let him/her know. If they would be willing to receive the children's home-made poppies during our service please let us know as soon as possible. Thank you.

During the first week back the children will be learning about the origins of the war and take time to reflect on the suffering of those who have been affected by war through the years.

Poppies will be sold in school on behalf of the Royal British Legion when we return from the holiday.

Golden Children

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

• FS2	Jacob Genita for applying his phonic skills and for showing great pride in his work – approaching new tasks with great interest!
• Year 1	Sophie Harwood for coming into school with a big smile on her face and then making good choices!
• Year 2	Amna Javid for being a superstar because she always tries her best and is making progress in everything as a result! Well done!
• Year 3	Poppy Walton for always trying hard to do her best – and always with a smile!
• Year 4	Evie Stamford for always working hard and trying her best in every subject!
• Year 5	Jasmine Green for always working hard in all lessons and for being organised. Keep it up Jasmine!
• Year 6	Charlotte Cope for growing in confidence in her abilities at Hollowford – proving to herself just what she can do!

Top Table

Congratulations the Jackdaw Family who were chosen by Mrs Bower and the midday supervisors to sit on the Top Table today! The Jackdaw family members are: Natasha S, Anca N, Lucille O, James F, Sophie B, Scarlet C, Tiarnan M, and Jacob N. Congratulations children!

Weekly Liturgy of the Word

The next liturgy will therefore take place on **Thursday 6th November** and will be led by the young people of **Y6**. We invite the family and friends of our **Y6** pupils to join us in the school hall just after 9.00am.

Achievements Outside School

If you have a child with an achievement to share, please let us know and we will publish it in the newsletter. Our email address is: enquiries@stjohnfisherlearning.co.uk. Thank you.

Firework party

You are all invited to a firework party at Christ Church, Hackenthorpe on Sunday 2nd November 2014 starting at 5.30pm. Hot dogs and soup will be served from 5.30pm with the fireworks starting at 6.15pm.

Attendance Winners

This week the girls and boys of **Y4** were in first place with **98.3%** attendance and will be visited by Bobby and Bear! In second place were the children of **Y6** with **96.4%** who will be visited by Brenda Bear. In third place were the young people of **Y1** with **97.3%** who will receive a visit from Elvis the Owl.

Unfortunately the average overall attendance for the week was down **95.3%** which is back below our 97% target.

For Term 1 the attendance was

1 st	Y5	98.4%	Y5 will receive 'Golden Time' at the beginning of Term 2!
2 nd	Y1 & Y3	97.6%	
4 th	Y6	97.4%	
5 th	FS2	97.2%	
6 th	Y2	95.6%	

The overall average was **97.2%** which was just above our 97% target.

Y6 Hollowford Residential

The promised write-up will be included in the next newsletter.

Term 1 Reading Awards

The children who have achieved their reading award for excellent home reading are:

Villius Boratyn, Sophie Ball, Bethany Beatson, Harry Cawthorne, Mitchell Clayton, Emily Cowlshaw, Amelia Denham, Sophie Harwood, Hibah Javid, Ava Jones, Freya Jones, Phoebe Kilbride, Sam Mappin, Tamzin Samba, Archie Saxton-Clayton, Evan Siner, Isla Thompson, Rafal Boratyn, Alice Curtis, Filip Dominiak, Joseph Kandare, Jack Oadley, Charlie Ogden, Laurie Paige, Odette Paige, Lola Pardo-Figueroa, Jack Swain, Nedas Bagdonas, Joel Broadhead, Ellie Cope, Daniel de Sousa, Ola Dominiak, James Fitzpatrick, Matthew Ford, Benjamin Forgo, Calum Hardy, Ruby Hayward, Nadia Kamolli, Saffron Kilbride, Alexander Ludlam, Finley Mappin, Samuel Orbell, Kayla Osei-Badu, Owen Pack, Lily Sanders, Alfie Saxton-Clayton, Jack Stacey, Kai Taylor, Poppy Walton, Isabelle Walton-Hall, Jared Ward, May Woodhouse, Arianne Alfonso, Benjamin Cartwright, Jack Green, Bitanga Kalyata, Julia Kepinska, Olivia King, Lucille Owens, Asia Robinson, Evie Stamford, Jack Waldron, Faye Curtis, Ruben Jackson, Patrick Lodge, Lily Mell, Nicole Mercardo, Noora Moshtael, Oliver Nelson, Anca Nicula, Zak Pilkington, Dominic Rolfe, Max Smith, Kiera Swift and Daryn Tirrol.

Well done to all those children. FS2 children will receive their awards after half term and Y6 will be involved from next term.

Statement to Live By

When we return our 'statement to live by' is **"I try to be just and fair!"**

Time to talk: Together you could think about the word 'just' and what it means when we talk about being 'just' and fair. Why do you think it is important to be treated fairly? What does it feel like to be treated unfairly? Can you think of a time when you treated someone in a just and fair way? Can you think of a time when you didn't? If you see someone not being treated justly and fairly what should you do? Who can you tell?

Remember, everyone in our community has the right to feel happy, safe and loved every day.

Enjoy the holiday!

Mr F Barratt