



St John Fisher Weekly News



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Out of Hours Provision

I know that our after-school provision is valued greatly by the children, parents and carers who rely on it and I believe that it is a real strength of our school community. Since starting last year I have been exploring how we can expand this provision in a way that eases pressure on school enabling me to focus my energies on raising standards in teaching, learning, progress and attainment. This process led me to seek an external partner with the vision, ambition and capacity to take over the running of our existing after-school club and expand it to also offer sessions before school, on INSET days and during the holidays.

Whilst such a partner would operate *independently* of school I needed to clear that they would also share our ethos, values and safeguarding standards. I am therefore delighted to inform you that we have identified '**Kidzone**' as our new partner! Kidzone is a company established by one of our parents, Mrs Estella Kalyata. Just before the half-term holiday our Governors sanctioned the move and Mrs Kalyata is now working with school and SASH staff in order to finalise details and develop ideas.

We are now in a period of transition which will last until everything is finalised. 'Kidzone' will take immediate responsibility for everything that was not offered by school previously, that is: all sessions before school, on INSET days and during the holidays. All enquiries about sessions at these times should be made directly to the new company (details below). For the time being school will retain responsibility for the after-school club until we have finished going through the necessary conversion process. For enquiries about after-school sessions only you are asked to continue contacting school.

THE KIDZONE - BREAKFAST - AFTER SCHOOL & HOLIDAY CLUB

- **TEL:** 01142514028
- **Mob:** 07886400644
- **Email:** kidzoneclub2013@gmail.com

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am pleased to inform all parents and carers that the Governors and Leadership Team at St John Fisher Catholic Primary School have agreed that the KIDZONE can start operating a breakfast and holiday club with effect from Monday 4th November 2013. For the first week each before school session will be offered at an introductory rate of just £2 per session!

Yours sincerely,
Estella Kalyata

AIMS: Kidzone aims to provide the children with a safe, supportive and enjoyable environment at the beginning and end of the school day as well as during school holidays and on school training (INSET) days. The club is designed to provide a quality and reliable service which supports busy parents and carers.

LOCATION: Kidzone will operate from St John Fisher Catholic Primary School

OPENING TIMES:

Breakfast club	7:25hrs - 8:55hrs	(1.5hrs)
Holiday Club	8:00hrs - 18:00hrs	(10.0hrs)

RATES

Breakfast club	£3 per child per session (1.5hrs) - £2 introductory offer in the first week
Holiday Club	£15 per child per day (or £2 per hour per child)

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB: The After School Club service will continue to operate as SASH until further notice.

FURTHER INFORMATION: If you would like to book places at the Breakfast Club or would like further information please contact: Estella 07446400644 or email: kidzoneclub2013@gmail.com



Parent/Carer Drop In

A reminder that Miss Kiernan is available every Friday from 3.00pm to meet parents/carers requiring support and advice from school or from multi-agency partners and other organisations with whom we have links.

Parent/Carer Meetings

I would like to remind you that these important review and target-setting meetings take place on from 2.30pm-5.00pm on Wednesday 6th November 2013 and from 6.00pm-8.00pm on Thursday 7th November. The PTFA will be offering refreshments throughout. On both evenings children can be supervised for a small *voluntary* contribution that will also go to PTFA funds and ultimately be spent on the children. I am very grateful to our friends from the PTFA for all their continuing support.

PTFA Table Top Sale

Please support the Table Top sale this Saturday in the school hall. Sellers can set up their stalls from 1.00pm and between 2.00pm and 4.00pm for buyers looking for a bargain or ten! All welcome, please try and support us if you can. Thank you.

Weekly Liturgy of the Word

On Thursday 7th November our simple weekly Liturgy of the Word will be led by the boys and girls of Year 5. The family/friends of our Year 5 children are welcome to join us. The liturgy will begin at 9.00am. Thank you.

Rainbow Zone: Appeal for Help!

I would like to thank everyone who contacted Miss Kiernan and Mrs Asquith with offers of support to help us create a vibrant and welcoming new inclusion area designed for any child in our community who requires support of one type or another. If you would like to help us decorate the area or have useful contacts for securing resources etc. we would love to hear from you. You can contact school by phone, speak to Miss Kiernan at a 'drop in' session or email her on c.kiernan@stjohnfisherlearning.co.uk. Thank you.

Golden Children

Colleagues added the names of the following children to our Golden Book in the week before the holiday:

• F 2	Alex Cartwright for always smiling, being polite and for behaving so well in school!
• Year 1	Oliver Ost for trying really hard to sit still and listen on the carpet. We are all very proud of him!
• Year 2	Elli Cope for the excellent improvement she has worked hard to achieve in her reading scores. Keep up this brilliant effort!
• Year 3	Lucas Diaz for working very hard to move up from his Read Write Inc group!
• Year 4	Kiera Beck for some great learning in mathematics. She has been challenging herself and really working hard!
• Year 5	Franky Diaz for making excellent progress in writing and mathematics!
• Year 6	David Sayers for fantastic work in his writing. A real superstar!

Writing Champions

This will continue in the first week back.

House Points

St Andrew	St David	St George	St Patrick
Smilies This week			
120	101	115	175
Term 1 Running Total			
775	559	803	911

The champions for the first term are the girls and boys of **St Patrick's House** who have won 'Golden Time' at the beginning of the next term. Congratulations to everyone in St Patrick's House. The house points will start from zero next term.

Weekly Attendance Winners

In the next newsletter we will let you who the weekly and termly winners are.

Statement to Live By

Next week 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 school community has the right to feel happy, safe and loved every day.

Enjoy the rest of your holiday!

Kind regards,
Mr Barratt