

SJF NEWS

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★ Citizen of the Week

★ As there was Celebration Assembly because of Sports Day, this week's recipient will receive his/her award next week and their details will be shared in next week's newsletter also.

Term 6 House Smiley Scores!

 <p>St Andrew's House</p> <p>341</p>	 <p>St David's House</p> <p>356</p>	 <p>St Patrick's House</p> <p>292</p>	 <p>St George's House</p> <p>315</p>
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Meet The Governors

Mr Matthew Watters

Hi. My name is Matthew and I have been a Foundation Governor for over six years. I am also, currently, the Vice-Chair of the Governing Body. Over that time I have seen many changes in the School and been fortunate enough to see the school grow from strength to strength.

I am married to Sally, who was an active member of the PTFA for many years. We have two daughters; Abigail, who is 15, and Emma, 13. Both attended St John Fisher and now attend All Saints.

I am a pharmacist and I have worked for Boots for nearly 30 years. During that time I have held various different management and leadership positions, which have involved interpreting and analysing data. This has proved very beneficial in my role as a Governor, particularly in analysing pupil progress and attainment. In my spare time I enjoy playing golf, playing the guitar and spending time with my family.



Calendar Reminders

- <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)

02-07-19	• All classes – class photographs (children to come to school wearing school uniform please)
03-07-19	• Taster Session for children joining FS2 in September 2019 • Taster Day for Y6 pupils transferring to All Saints Catholic High School • Y6 All Saints Moving Up Day (SJF 'Moving Up Day' has been moved to 09-07-19)
05-07-19	• PTFA Friday Fayre to include the annual Y5 Enterprise event – all welcome (details to follow)
08-07-19	• Assessment Point 5 – Day 1 (FS2, Y1, Y3, Y4 and Y5 only)
09-07-19	• Assessment Point 5 – no assessments because it is the rescheduled 'Moving Up Day' • SJF Moving Up Day (children go to current class for Get Set, GO! at the start of the day)
10-07-19	• Assessment Point 5 – Day 3 (FS2, Y1, Y3, Y4 and Y5 only)
11-07-19	• Assessment Point 5 – Day 4 (FS2, Y1, Y3, Y4 and Y5 only) • FS2 Graduation & Liturgy of Word (9.05am, School Hall)
12-07-19	• Assessment Point 5 – Day 5 (FS2, Y1, Y3, Y4 and Y5 only) • Final Curriculum Showcase Exhibition (8.45am, School Hall) • Confirmation Mass (7.00pm, Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church)



SJF Calendar 2019-2020

Next Year's calendar of events is being finalised and will be shared in due course.

Weekly Attendance			
1 st	FS2	98.7%	Bobby Bear will be visiting
2 nd	Y4	98.6%	Brenda Bear will be visiting
3 rd	Y5	97.7%	Elvis the Owl will be visiting
4 th	Y6	96.6%	
5 th	Y2	95.7%	
6 th	Y3	94.1%	
7 th	Y1	94.0%	
Target = 98%		Average Attendance = 96.5%	



Get Set, GO! (8.45am)		
1 st	Y2	93%
2 nd	FS2	92%
2 nd	Y1	89%
3 rd	Y6	89%
5 th	Y4	88%
6 th	Y3	85%
7 th	Y5	84%
Average = 89%		

Our whole-school attendance is similar to last week, meaning that it is still below our school target. The local authority is working with us and other schools currently in order to support excellent attendance across the city, and so in consultation with them letters were sent out this week to the families of children who have less than 94% attendance. We understand that absences can be for many reasons and often it is the case that parents/carers are simply not aware that their children's absences and 'lates' are creeping up - and may be emerging as an issue affecting their wellbeing and progress. This is why we share information regularly in the weekly newsletter, pupils' progress and achievement reports and in these letters. Anyone concerned about their child's attendance or punctuality are encouraged to contact us so we can offer support.

Golden Children & Writing Champions

There was no Celebration Assembly so please look out for the names in next week's newsletter!

Achievements Outside of School

Achievements can be left in the postbox in the school foyer or emailed to us (enquiries@st-johnfisher.org) and can be anything that is important to your child - big or small we will publish it and celebrate it!

- **Preston** in **Y1** plays football for Woodhouse Junior FC and received a special medal recently for playing well and putting in good tackles! Congratulations Preston, we are all very proud of you!

PTFA Friday Fayre 2019

Please watch out for information regarding this year's Friday Fayre! It is a great family event (when the weather behaves) and so we want to see as many of you there as possible! Bring family and friends! Enjoy the good weather (we hope), the grounds, the stalls, the work of the Y5 'enterprisers' and much, much more!

If you want to get involved (and help is always welcomed) please speak to a member of the PTFA or email them (PTFA@st-johnfisher.org).



Sports Day 2019



Today was our annual Sports Day, and what a special day it has been! The children enjoyed a morning of different sporting activities and challenges before this afternoon's competitions. We will include a full report with pictures in next week's newsletter.

Special days like today do not just happen and so I would like to thank Mrs Broadhead for organising the activities and for taking overall charge; Mr Cross for supporting Mrs Broadhead so well; and all my colleagues who each contributed so much to the day in order to enable it to run smoothly and ensure that all the children were able to engage and have lots of fun.

Huge thanks also to the PTFA and to everyone who was able to come along and join us for either (or both) of this afternoon's competitions. Your support and encouragement of the children is so important and appreciated. Thankfully the weather behaved and everyone had a great time! I know that the children and staff certainly enjoyed a fun-packed day of sporting activities and challenges!

Class Photographs 2019

These will take place on **Tuesday 2nd July 2019**. Children who have PE on Tuesday are asked to wear school uniform and bring their PE clothing with them to change in to later. Thank you.

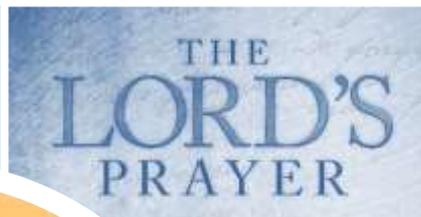


Our Catholic Life

Our July Prayer: 'The Lord's Prayer'

Our Father who art in Heaven,
Hallowed be thy name -
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done,
On Earth as is in Heaven.
Give us, this day, our daily bread,

And forgive us our trespasses -
As we forgive those -
who trespass against us,
And lead us not in to temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
Amen



Our July Song: 'This Little Light of Mine'

This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine
This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine!



Weekly Liturgy of the Word

Our next 'Liturgy of the Word' is on **Thursday 4th July 2019** and will be led by the young people of **Y5**. It will start at around 9.05am in the School Hall and all the family and friends of our **Y5** children are invited.

Celebration Assembly

Our next (and final) Celebration Assembly this year, takes place next **Friday 5th July** in the School Hall, just after 9.00am, and we invite our **Y1** families to join us.

SJF Spelling Bee & Times Tables Rock Stars

The class and whole-school competitions are coming up so please encourage your children to practise their spellings and times tables so that they are ready. If you need help with anything please contact your child's teacher. Thank you.



Y1	x2 x5 x10
Y2	x2 x5 x10 x3 x4
Y3	x2 x5 x10 x3 x4 x6 x8
Y4	x2 x5 x10 x3 x4 x6 x8 x7 x9 x11 x12
Y5	x2 x5 x10 x3 x4 x6 x7 x8 x9 x11 x12 x100 x1000 x20 x50 x30 x40 x60 x80 x90
Y6	All above plus multiplying decimals using place value knowledge e.g. $5 \times 7 = 35 \rightarrow 5 \times 0.7 = 3.5$ etc.

Sports Leaders' Blog

Use the links to our Sports Leaders' blog and keep up-to-date with news about what is happening with the national 'School Games' programme:

- www.yourschoolgames.com
- <https://www.yourschoolgames.com/schools/st-john-fisher-catholic-primary-school-a-voluntary-academy/>



Staff News

Mrs Broadhead

Today Mrs Broadhead coordinated this year's fantastic sports day as she does every year, and we are very grateful to her for all her hard work and dedication to our children and our school. She is taking a period of extended leave until the end of the academic year, following her recent bereavement, though she will be popping in to see us all during the course of the last few weeks. Our thoughts and prayers of course remain with her and her family at this difficult time.

Classes for Next Year

As mentioned in the newsletter, Governors are in the process of recruiting a new teacher on a fixed-term contract for the next academic year. Applications close today and we have had a huge response. As selection takes place before the rescheduled 'moving up' day we are hoping that the successful candidate will be able to meet his/her new class on Tuesday 9th July. The classes for next year will be shared on 'Moving Up' day.



FS2 to Expedition to the Yorkshire Wildlife Park

This week our intrepid explorers enjoyed a fun-packed, jam-packed day full of learning at the Yorkshire Wildlife Park! As you may know the visit had been scheduled for a couple of weeks ago and had to be cancelled because of the extremely wet weather. Thankfully Mrs Ramsden and Mrs Darken were able to reschedule the visit so that the children did not miss out on this wonderful learning opportunity. My thanks go to the staff and volunteers who ensured that the day was everything that it could be for the children. I would also like to thank the children who were inquisitive, excited and very well behaved!

Follow the link for more photographs of the children from the special day:

<http://www.st-johnfisher.org/news/yorkshire-wildlife-park/>



Statement to Live By

Next week our 'Statement to Live By' will be **"I try to accept the forgiveness of others"**

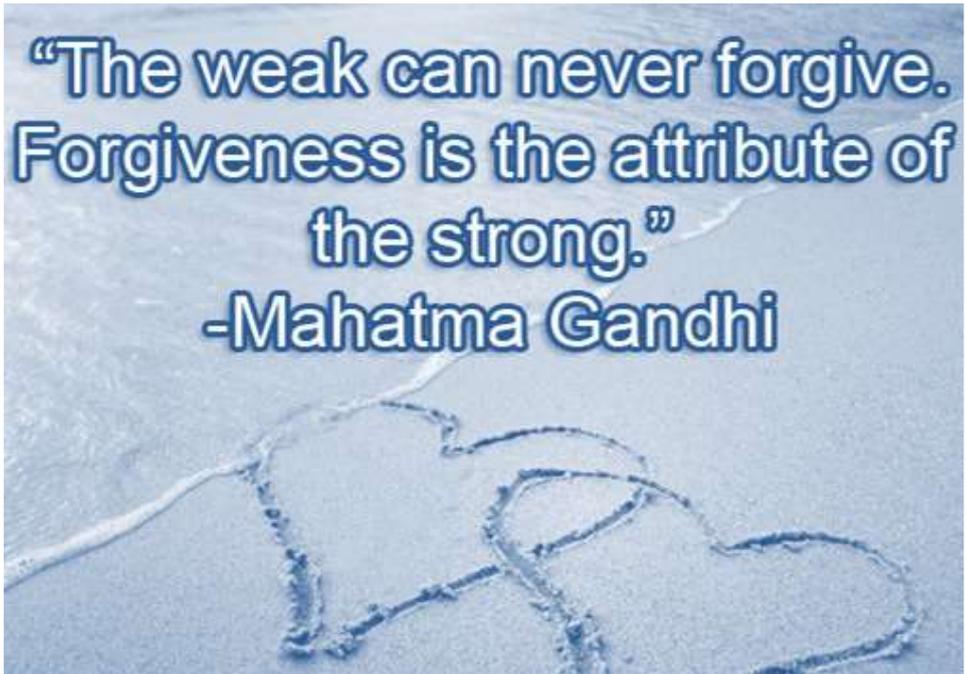
Time to talk: To be forgiven is a gift. Sometimes it is a gift that is difficult to accept because we feel too ashamed - too unworthy to accept fully the forgiveness of others.

God asks to accept the forgiveness of those we hurt if we are truly sorry. He died on a cross so that we can receive this gift. He therefore calls us to be unafraid; to trust in Him; and to accept the forgiveness of others.

The act of forgiveness is an act of love. God is love. By accepting forgiveness we are accepting God – and we are choosing freedom...



There is no love without forgiveness, and there is no forgiveness without love.



Best wishes,
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