



St John Fisher News

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Citizen of the Week

This week's award goes to **Nedas Bagdonas** (Y4) for understanding why rules in class and around schools keep us safe and happy in line with our 'Statement to Live By'. Nedas sets a great example to others by his behaviour and the great choices he makes. Congratulations, we are all very proud of you!

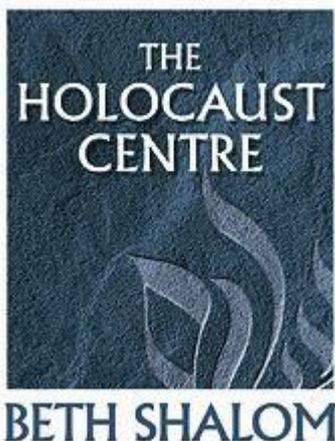
50p Friday

Thank you to everyone who supported us today. If you forgot and would like to contribute, you can send in 50p on Monday in an envelope marked '50p Friday' + the name/colour of your child's House. Thank you.

Term 3 Smiley Scores

St Andrew's House  352	St David's House  328	St Patrick's House  377	St George's House  400
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One week to go! Who will be the Term 3 champions?



Holocaust Memorial Day

This week in our assembly we thought about Holocaust Memorial Day through the stories of real people who travelled to safety in the United Kingdom on the kindertransport just before the Second World War. The children reflected on what they would take if they only had a small suitcase or bag and had to go on a big journey.

We also said a prayer for the victims who suffered in the Second World War and in other conflicts that followed.

Today the young people of Y6 and staff travelled to the Beth Shalom Holocaust Centre in Nottinghamshire to learn more about the Holocaust.

We will include a report from one of the children in the next newsletter.

Achievements Outside of School

- **Patrick Lodge** in Y6 passed his final Stage 7 swimming assessment! A brilliant achievement, well done!

Don't forget to share your good news. We want to hear about any achievements outside of school, big or small.

Inter-School Boccia and Curling Competition

This week, eighteen children from KS2 travelled to Notre Dame Catholic High School in order to compete in Boccia and Curling competitions. The focus was to encourage the children to try a new Paralympic sport; develop teamwork (in line with our school value this term) and participate in competitions against children from other schools.

All the children enjoyed the afternoon. They were split into three teams with each team rotating around the different activities. Every child tried really hard and Mrs Broadhead told me that she was very proud of them.

Team 3 even managed to achieve first place for the Curling and were presented with a certificate! Mrs Broadhead would like to thank all the children for supporting and encouraging each other during the event. She would also like to say a big thank you to all the parents who helped by transporting children to Notre Dame. Without their support, we would not be able to take part. Thank you.

I would like to add my thanks too – and especially to Mrs Broadhead for all her hard work and dedication.



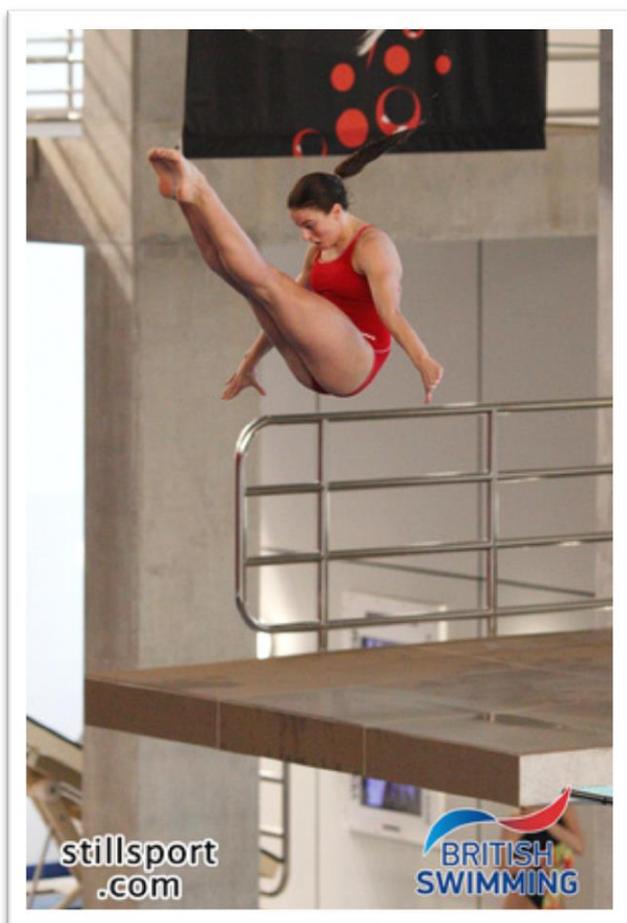
Safeguarding Our Children with Nut Allergies

We have a number of children who live with significant nut allergies. Their allergies are potentially life-threatening. As a community we are working with both the children and their families in order to manage the risks, but would really appreciate your support.

In line with advice from 'Allergy UK' we would be extremely grateful if you could think about the children who have these allergies when you are preparing packed lunches for your child(ren). If you have any questions please speak to Mrs Pickering, our lead for First Aid. You can also find lots of information on the following websites:

- www.allergyuk.org
- <http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/food-allergy/Pages/Intro1.aspx>

Thank you



Georgia Daveport

I am delighted to be able to tell you that Georgia Davenport, a former pupil of St John Fisher, has just been selected to represent Great Britain as part of the GB Diving Squad.

We send her our congratulations and best wishes and hope that she is happy and successful in all her endeavours.

Assemblies

Weekly Liturgy of the Word

I would like to thank Mrs Holloway and the fantastic young people of Y5 for leading yesterday's liturgy so beautifully. Unfortunately I was at a meeting of local Sheffield Headteachers, but I heard wonderful things about it. What was really impressive was the input of our young Chaplains. Next week the Liturgy of the Word will be led by **Y6** on **Thursday 4th February 2016**. All parents, carers and friends of our Y6 children are invited to join us in the hall just after 9.00am. Thank you.

Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to everyone mentioned in today's assembly. Next **Friday 5th January** the parents, carers, family and friends of the young people in **Y1** are invited at 2.55pm. Thank you.

Attendance This Week

FS2	96.8%	Elvis the Owl will visit next week!
Year 1	96.3%	
Year 2	96.3%	
Year 3	96.9%	Brenda Bear will visit next week!
Year 4	95.0%	
Year 5	96.3%	
Year 6	98.7%	Bobby Bear will visit next week!
Weekly Target	97%	This week's Average Attendance
		96.6%

Top Table

This week's winning family - chosen by Mrs Bower and our lunchtime supervisors - is the Goose family! Congratulations to Xiomara G, Mia P-F, Jack H, Lucas D, Abdullah, Christian, Maya D and Lorenzo D. Well done all of you!

Golden Children

This week's Golden Children are:

FS2	Charlie Emmett for applying his phonics skills with greater confidence around the classroom provision! What a star you are Charlie!
Year 1	Jacob Genita for having a good attitude to his work! He is really trying hard to concentrate in order to get his work finished!
Year 2	Alex Murray for showing a great understanding of the 'PART-WHOLE' model in mathematics! Well done!
Year 3	Jack Swain for giving his all in every lesson – with a great big smile!
Year 4	James Fitzpatrick for always giving 100% effort in school; to both his school work and friends!
Year 5	Zarnetta Moomba for being an excellent role-model for the class! She always works very hard and strives to do her best. Well done and keep it up!
Year 6	Sam Devoti for having a brilliant attitude - for working hard and for always being ready to learn! Well done superstar!

Writing Champions

FS2	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Dylan Steenson	Ethan Yan	Isla Atkinson	Filip Dominiak	May Woodhouse	Asia Robinson	Brody McConaghy

Please look out for their fantastic work in the school hall

Community Lenten Service

On Tuesday 16th February, the young people of Y4 will be leading our special Lenten Service at church to mark the start of the season of Lent. This will now begin at **2pm**, instead of 2.30pm (as indicated on the school calendar). I am very grateful to the Y4 pupils, Mr Smith, Miss Pendlebury and Father Paul who have been working hard to prepare this new community service.

Class Liturgy on Thursday 16th February 2016

Please note that the Y4 class liturgy planned for Thursday 18th February has been cancelled as they are already leading the Lenten Service that week.

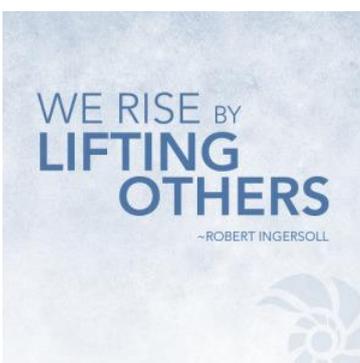
Resurrection Mass

Our special Resurrection Mass takes place on **Friday 15th April**. To enable all classes to attend that day the time has been moved to **2.15pm** at church instead of 9.30am, as on the school calendar. We hope that you will be able to join us in order share in this celebration of Mass.

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 you could think about what we mean by the word community. Think about all the communities you are part of: your family, your church/religious community, cubs/beavers, guides/brownies as well as sports clubs. What makes them special to you? At St John Fisher we think of our community as a family where each of us are known, respected and loved for what we do and for who we are.



"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."

~Winston Churchill

Best wishes,
Mr Barratt