



St John Fisher News

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Citizen of the Week

This week's recipient is **Ashleigh Siguake** (Y4) who was chosen for always being accepting of others in line with our 'Statement to Live By' this week. Ashleigh is kind, respectful and supportive of everyone. She set a fantastic example and was a great ambassador for our school at the EIS this week, doing her very best to make sure that everyone felt happy and proud of themselves. Well done Ashleigh, we are all very proud of you!

The Feast of SS Peter and Paul

I would like to thank Father Paul celebrating Mass last Monday. I would also like to thank Mrs Evans, Miss Kiernan, the children of Y3 and other First Holy Communicants for the first time for preparing and leading the liturgy. It was a really special and happy celebration. Thank you to everyone who supported us.

Bring a Parent/Carer to School (in Key Stage 2)!

Following on from the success of the recent FS2/Key Stage 1 a special invitation was sent out to all the parents/carers of our Key Stage 2 pupils (Years 3-6) and so, this morning, our ranks were swelled by a number of new (and slightly older) pupils. This was a great opportunity for parents and carers to get involved and I would like to thank everyone who supported us.

PTFA News

I would like to remind you that the PTFA's Friday Fayre takes place later today. The event will be open to children at 2.30pm and then to parent, carers and friends of the school as soon as the school gates open at 3.25pm. There will be stalls, including those of the Y5 pupils participating in the PTFA's Enterprise Challenge. All will be vying for your custom! Please try and support this important fund-raising event. Thank you.



National School Sport Week

EIS Events

On Monday 22nd June the Y2 children ventured to the English Institute of Sport in order to participate in the LINKS partnership sports day.

It was a very busy day full of activities focused on team work, respect, determination, passion, self-belief and honesty. Everybody took part and they all enjoyed themselves thoroughly.



Lola Pardo-Figueroa, Marcus McKernan and Jack Oadley were recognised as 'top athletes' for their group, and Team C came first overall in the competition. All in all it was a very productive day for Year 2!

Mrs Broadhead, Miss Golland and Miss May would like to say a huge thank you to the volunteers who came on the trip and also how proud of year 2 they are. They were exemplary, a superb day. Well done Year Two!

Sports Day

Following the super weather last week we were so pleased that the Sports Day could go ahead as scheduled. Thank you to all the parents, grandparents and siblings who came to show their support to our athletes.



We are very proud of all of our children for taking part in all their events with such enthusiasm and sportsmanship which concluded with an exciting set of relays and some great parent/staff races. Again we are so lucky to have such a great support network of friends and parents who are willing to participate at a moment's notice.

We would like to thank our young sports leaders who helped our younger children and organised the obstacle race.



Thomas Wood won the award for showing all aspects of the 'spirit' of the Games. Well done!



China won the award for honesty within the games



France won for *teamwork* within the games



Russia won the overall competition with real *passion*



USA won the *determination* award for the games



Hungary won the award for *respect!*

Birley Family of Schools School Sports Competition

On Wednesday 1st July the children of Years 3, 4 and 5 took part in The Birley Family of Schools sports event at the EIS. The schools involved were St John Fisher, Charnock, Birley Community, Birley Spa and Rainbow Forge. The pupils participated in a range of activities such as Javelin, shotput, speed bounce, zig zag throw, 200m sprint and long jump.

Each class was split into six countries and then the countries competed against each other to score points. This gave the children a chance to meet other children and build on teamwork (One of the Spirit of the Games areas). The winning teams were:

- Spain in the Y4 competition
- England in the Y5 competition
- Spain in the Y3 competition

It was a wonderful event, and although very busy, the children and staff thoroughly enjoyed themselves and welcomed the opportunity to mix with the other staff and children from other schools. It was a thoroughly successful day on all counts.

Daphney in Y5 said: *"It was great fun! I really enjoyed the 200m sprint especially because I got to run on a real running track!"*

Mrs Broadhead and I would like to thank all the volunteers who helped on the day. Without your help, the event simply could not have gone ahead.

I would like to take this opportunity to specifically thank Mrs Broadhead and her hard work in organising all of these fantastic opportunities for our children both at the EIS and in school. I would like to thank all my colleagues for supporting her as well as the parent volunteers and PTFA for their support at the EIS and on Sports Day.

Top Table

This week the 'Kestrel' family were chosen by Mrs Bower and her team of Lunch Time Supervisors to sit on the top table. The members of the Kestrel Family are: Franky D, Faye C, Melissa C, Daniel D, Lola P-F, Cole H, Archie S-C and Evan S. Congratulations children we are proud of you all!

Writing Champions

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

FS2	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Daniel Hill	Harry Cawthorne	Reuben Hastings-Quainoo	Alex Ludlam	Ellie Cheetham	Reuben Jackson	Leighton Gough

This Week's Golden Children

- FS2 **Jacob Genita** for creativity and resourcefulness in box modelling. We loved your caravan!
- Year 1 **Emily Cowlshaw** for doing the right thing and trying hard with the presentation of her work. Keep it up Emily!
- Year 2 **Joseph Kandare** for a wonderful information booklet about bees!
- Year 3 **William Ludlam** for being a fantastic friend to others this week. He has been really kind and supportive of lots of different children.
- Year 4 **Kayleigh Collins** for showing a more mature attitude to learning!
- Year 5 **John Genita** for working hard on his comprehension quiz. Well done!
- Year 6 **Alex Thompson** for really descriptive and imaginative writing this year. He has written to a level 6 standard!

Sparkle

The "SPARKLE" group, is a helpful support service for the parents of children on the Autistic Spectrum.

The group is holding a coffee morning on **Monday 6th July from 9.30am - 11.00am** for parents/carers in order to share information about the group and talk about the activities, support and events that they offer.

SENCOs, Learning Mentors, Health Visitors and School Nurses are also welcome to attend.

Please pass on the information to anyone you know who might be interested – as this opportunity is for everybody and not just SJF parents/carers.

SPARKLE is hoping to set up a support group in our area. Thank you for your help

*Sandra Asquith
Learning Mentor*



a local Autism Support Group for parents

We are holding a coffee morning on
Monday 6th July
9.30 —11.00 am
In the Springwater Catholic Community Centre
Springwater Avenue
Hackenthorpe

Please come along and join us to find out about the support we offer and the events we run in Sheffield for parents and children.