



# St John Fisher News

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## ★ Citizen of the Week

This week's recipient is **Diana Nicula** (Y2) who was chosen for remembering our statement to live by: '**understand the importance of peace**'. If some children fall out Diana always tries to calm a situation. If someone is angry or frustrated she also likes to try and help them – and often says or does the right thing. She is a young lady bursting with sensitivity, compassion and a level of emotional intelligence that belies her young age. The care she shows is a wonderful example to others. Well done Diana, You are a star!

## Ofsted Report

I would like to thank everyone who contacted us following the release of OFSTED report to express their appreciation. We are obviously as pleased as you are with the judgements.

As you know, the report was emailed to everyone who provided us with a current email address. It is also available in the 'Ofsted' section of our SJF website or via this link:

<http://www.st-johnfisher.org/wp/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/450252-St-John-Fisher-Pri-Published-report-May-20151.pdf>

I understand that publication on the Ofsted website has been delayed because the report was released during a school holiday. Hopefully it will be published soon. If you do not have internet access at home you are welcome to come into school in order to view the report online. Also, if you require a paper version of the report in normal or enlarged print please let my colleagues in the office know. Thank you.



## Staff News

Now that the deadline for resignations has passed I am in a position to share with you details of who will teach in most classes in the next academic year. Please note that we are in the middle of a recruitment process for a temporary specialist Year 1 teacher to cover the maternity leave of Mrs Bishop (previously Miss Speed):

- **Foundation Stage 2 (FS2):** Mrs H Darken (supported by Mrs A Prentice)
- **Year 1:** Mrs Bishop's maternity cover
- **Year 2:** Mrs Broadhead
- **Year 3:** Mr Broadhead
- **Year 4:** Mrs Evans & Miss Kiernan
- **Year 5:** Mrs Holloway
- **Year 6:** Mr Smith

## Transition Arrangements

Our 'moving up' day will be on the **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2015** (the last week of the school year) when all the children, including those joining us in Years 3 and 4 from other schools, will spend a whole day with their new teachers in their new classrooms. The Y6 children be doing different activities on that day.

As well as this our new FS2 children will have two visits each to look forward to near the end of the school year.

## Buildings Update

- Our new signage has been installed around the premises – and very smart it looks too!
- I am meeting soon with our architects to find out more about the next phase of building works. I will, of course, share any information I receive.
- Most of the smart new furniture is in place in the two refurbished Key Stage 1 classrooms. The children are really pleased and excited and the areas look transformed.
- The Student Councillors met with the designer of the new outdoor play equipment today in order to discuss options following the award of a National Lottery grant of £10,000. They have decided to present two options to their classmates and let them vote on their preferred scheme.

## Green Areas

If you – or someone you know – are keen gardeners and would like to help us design and maintain our green areas – including the front of school near the entrance and around the new staff and visitor car park – we would really like to hear from you. All volunteers are subject to safeguarding checks. Thank you.

## Parish News

Here is a message from the parish:

*The 'Immaculata Music Group' would like to invite everybody to their concert on Friday 26th June 2015 at the Parish Centre beside Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church. Please see our 'YouTube' trailer:*

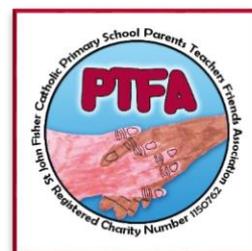
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S25yjyPaGHQ>

*Please note that there is no children's Mass in June. The next one will take place in September. Thank you*

## PTFA News

Our 'SJF Friday Fayre' arranged by the PTFA will take place on **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July**. The event has been organised, in part, to support the Y5 pupils taking part in this year's PTFA-sponsored 'Enterprise Challenge Cup'.

The fayre will open to pupils from 2.30pm to 3.15pm and to parents, carers and friends from 3.25pm. This has been done to make it easier for people to attend, so please do and try to support this event. Why not bring family members and friends along too?



**A planning meeting will take place in the Community Room of the new Drakehouse ASDA on 9<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm. If you can spare a little time your support would be most welcome. Please join us!**

If you shop at ASDA please don't forget to ask for the special green tokens. Our PTFA could win £200 for school if we manage to get the most tokens! Thank you for your support.

## Workshops

*Here is a message from Mrs Asquith, our Learning Mentor:*

Dads, Grandads and children came together at the first of our new after school workshops! The first session involved looking at earth's gravity and rockets, but the best activity for both children and adults was when the foam rockets were launched in the playground!



Angles were discussed seriously in order to find the best launch and flight path. Brody McConaghy certainly found a really good angle as his rocket whizzed across the playground to reach the school building! After that everyone reached various distances with their rockets with some even landing in trees or just shooting straight up into the air.



We hope that activities for dads, grandads and children can become a more regular part of our school family learning.

## Writing Champions

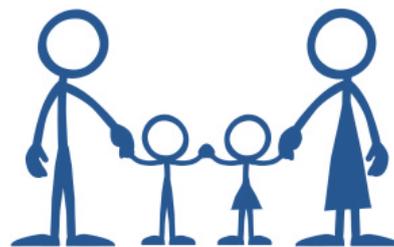
The following children were chosen by their teachers to be 'Writing Champions' because they have been enthusiastic and have worked really hard to improve and enjoy their writing.

FS2	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Caitlin Hardy	Isla Thompson	Keira Ambrose	Finley Mappin	Evie Stamford	Kiera Beck	Evie Flint

### Bring Your Parent/Carer To School!

Here is a message from our FS2 & KS1 Team:

On **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June** the parents from FS2 and KS1 (Years 1 and 2) have been invited to our 'bring your parent to school' event and the opening of the refurbished KS1 classrooms. If you have sent back a reply slip to state that you are attending then we would welcome you to accompany your child as they line up for morning registration in the yard. We look forward to seeing you!



Please note that there will be a KS2 'bring your parent to school' event on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2015.

### Blessing of the Building

On Monday the KS1 and FS team are having an 'invite your parent to school morning' in preparation for the collective worship at 10am for the opening of the new kitchen and refurbished classrooms. Father Paul will be opening the kitchen and offering a blessing for the newly refurbished classrooms. We welcome anyone to join us for collective worship at 10am in the hall.

I am delighted that Fr Paul accepted our invitation to lead our liturgy of thanksgiving. We are so grateful to Fr Paul for his continuing support and in recognition for all he does for us.

### This Week's Golden Children

• FS2	<b>Caitlin Hardy</b> for such improved confidence across all areas of the curriculum!
• Year 1	<b>James Hopkinson</b> for trying really hard with his writing and for being a super sitter!
• Year 2	<b>Millie Taylor</b> for having a fabulous attitude to her work. She was very focused in achieving her goal of finishing a given task within lesson time!
• Year 3	<b>Kai Taylor</b> for excellent drama work this week!
• Year 4	<b>Abdullah Al-Rammahi</b> for being an all-rounder in everything he does. A great attitude to have!
• Year 5	<b>Sara Mura</b> for working hard in our reading lesson yesterday, keep it up!
• Year 6	<b>Evie Flint</b> for making a wonderful improvement in writing this year!

### Charity Enterprise

As part of the Mast Cutler's Challenge 2015, a former pupil has organised a ladies' fashion show and charity shopping event in aid of the Brathay Trust. There will be savings on well-known fashion labels of 50% or more!

This exciting event will take place on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2015 at Our Lady of Lourdes starting at 7.00pm. The ticket price is £5.00. For further information or tickets please contact [heartfeltdesigns14@outlook.com](mailto:heartfeltdesigns14@outlook.com)

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Please note that the brands that will be available at the event are subject to availability

### Term 5 Smiley Totals

<b>St Andrew</b> 288	<b>St David</b> 249	<b>St Patrick</b> 286	<b>St George</b> 262
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The pupils of the winning St Andrew's House will enjoy some special 'Golden Time' as a reward for their efforts!

### Achievements Outside of School

- **Jack Swain** in Y2 recently achieved his 'Super Swimmers' Level 3 award! He can now swim with no armbands, just a back float! He was very happy to achieve this level and is hoping that he will soon be able to swim completely unaided. He has worked very hard and we are all incredibly proud of him for all he has achieved! What a star you are Jack!

Please let us know about any out-of-school achievements so we can share and celebrate them. Thank you.

## Attendance

### *Attendance Superstars*

Congratulations to the following children who managed to maintain 100% attendance so far this year!

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|------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| • Abdull Al-Rammahi    | • Sophie Ball      | • Emily Cowlinshaw      | • David Crosby-Griffin |
| • Filip Dominiak       | • Erin Gent        | • Jasmine Green         | • Calum Hardy          |
| • Kimi Hardy           | • Sami Hardy       | • Sohie Hemmingway      | • Julia Kepinska       |
| • William Ludlam       | • Tiarnan McKeown  | • Hannah Moomba         | • Oliver Nelson        |
| • Fraser Owens         | • Isabella Ramsden | • Sophie Robinson-Oates | • Dominic Rolfe        |
| • Alfie Saxton-Clayton | • Evan Siner       | • Kiera Swift           | • Poppy Walton         |
| • Olivia Wood          |                    |                         |                        |

### *Class Attendance*

	FS2	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Term 5 Class Scores	97.6	98.2	99.4	97.2	96.6	98.0	98.7
2014/15 Class Scores (so far)	96.9	97.1	94.6	97.0	96.8	97.0	96.6
Term 5 SJF Average	98.0	The attendance in Term 5 was much improved, thank you. Please help us get closer to (or surpass) our 97% target for this academic year. Thank you.					
2014/15 SJF Average (so far)	96.5						

'Golden Time' will be given to the:

- all the children who have managed to maintain 100% attendance;
- children of Year 2 (the Term 5 winners); and
- children of Year 1 (the current class with the best attendance over the school year so far)

### Weekly Liturgy of the Word

I would like to thank the children of **Y4** for leading the last liturgy. The liturgy next week (11-06-15) will be led by the young people of **Y3**. As usual, the family and friends of our Y3 pupils are invited to join in the hall.

### Term 5 Reading Awards

Congratulations to all the children who achieved their reading award for excellent home reading in Term 5!

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|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| • Alhamzah Al-Rammahi | • Frederick Antwi       | • Eleanor Checkley      | • William Denham   |
| • Oscar Diaz          | • Charlotte Fitzpatrick | • Jacob Genita          | • Daisy Green      |
| • Caitlin Hardy       | • Sophie Hemingway      | • Mia Lovelock          | • Summer Marsden   |
| • Mike Masuka         | • Chloe Musngi          | • Jacob Nelson          | • Emilia Rodgers   |
| • Olivia Wood         | • Isla Thompson         | • Lily Peters           | • Evan Siner       |
| • Tamzin Samba        | • Sophie Ball           | • Bethany Beatson       | • Harry Cawthorne  |
| • Mitchell Clayton    | • Emily Cowlinshaw      | • Amelia Denham         | • Phoebe Kilbride  |
| • Sam Mappin          | • Alex Murray           | • Archie Saxton-Clayton | • Vilius Bagdonas  |
| • Scarlet Cook        | • Maya de Sousa         | • James Hopkinson       | • Nedas Bagdonas   |
| • Christian Adusei    | • Rafal Boratyn         | • Alice Curtis          | • Lorenzo Dizon    |
| • Filip Dominiak      | • Rowan Lodge           | • Jack Oadley           | • Fraser Owens     |
| • Oliver Ost          | • Laurie Paige          | • Odette Paige          | • Willis Stoeman   |
| • Jack Stacey         | • Dadiso Bandawa        | • Ellie Cope            | • Ola Dominiak     |
| • James Fitzpatrick   | • Matthew Ford          | • Ruby Hayward          | • Saffron Kilbride |
| • Alexander Ludlam    | • William Ludlam        | • Finley Mappin         | • Samuel Orbell    |
| • Kayla Osei-Badu     | • Lily Sanders          | • Alfie Saxton-Clayton  | • Jack Stacey      |
| • Poppy Walton        | • Isabelle Walton-Hall  | • Jared Ward            | • Ellie Cheetham   |
| • Arianne Alfonso     | • Abdullah Al-Ramahi    | • Benjamin Cartwright   | • Julia Kepinska   |
| • Melissa Clayton     | • Jack Green            | • Bitanga Kalyata       | • Lucille Owens    |
| • Olivia King         | • Zarnetta Moomba       | • William Oadley        | • Lily Mell        |
| • Lilly Cox           | • Jasmine Green         | • Ruben Jackson         | • Zak Pilkington   |
| • Nicole Mercado      | • Noora Moshtael        | • Luckie Musngi         | • Dominic Rolfe    |
| • Kiera Swift         |                         |                         |                    |

### Top Table

The winners last week were the Falcons! Congratulations to Jacob C, Sophie H, Emily C, Laurie P, Amna J, Francis N, Lily C and Max S.

The winners this week were the Peregrines! Congratulations to Ciara B, Sophie R-O, Saffron K, Poppy W, Dadiso B, George M and Reuben H-Q.

Congratulations to all the children who have earned this award from Mrs Bower and her team because of their good table manners and for the way they care for each other. Well done!

### Prayers Please

As a community we are still praying for Stephen Christian and his family. I ask that you also keep this remarkable young man and his special family in your thoughts and prayers. Thank you.

We also ask you to remember our first holy communicants and confirmands in your prayers.

#### **Communicants**

Ellie Cope	Owen Pack
Jared Ward	Ashleigh Sigauke
Dadiso Bandawa	Isabelle Walton-Hall
Nadia Kamolli	Alexandra Dominiak
Harry Parkin	Isaac Pattison
Lily Sanders	Joel Broadhead
Ruby Hayward	Nedas Bagdonas
Benjamin Cartwright	Poppy Walton
Alex Ludlam	William Ludlam
Lucas Diaz	Kai Taylor

#### **Confirmands**

Ellie Scott	Alex Thompson
Stella Avelino	Annabelle Langley
Sam Jephson	Sophie Robinson-Oates
Caitlin Grayson	Luke Murphy
Leighton Gough	
Mia Pardo Figueroa	
Charlotte Cope	
David Crosby-Griffin	
Hubert Javorski	
Abi Marchant	

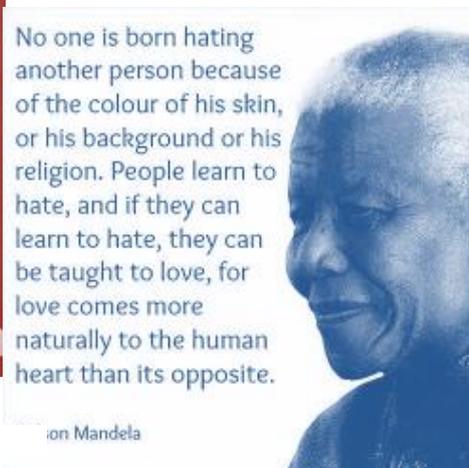
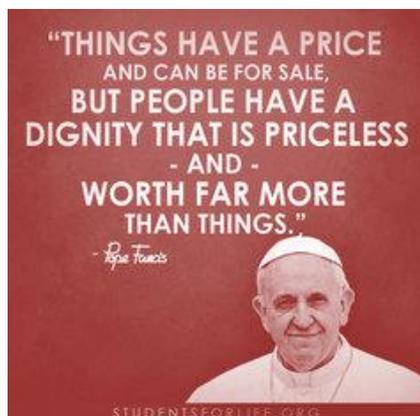


### Statement to Live By

Our next 'statement to live by' will be **"I know what human dignity means and I show that I respect others"**

**Time to talk:** Why is it important to show others respect? What would our school be like if we did not have to remember our good manners? What does the word 'dignity' mean? How can you find its meaning? We were all created by God to be amazing and special. God knows us inside out – every strength, every weakness, every thought and feeling. God is incapable of making rubbish, therefore we are not rubbish and nor is anyone else.

Everyone was born to leave their mark on this world in small ways and big. Therefore we have to support each other. We have to help each other to be the very best we can be. We can start by treating each other with love and respect for the things that make us both similar and different. When people remember this the reason for conflict disappears.



Best wishes,  
Mr F Barratt

