


SJF NEWS

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Friday 6th March 2020 (Issue 22 - 2019/20)



Citizen of the Week

 The week's recipient is **Alex** in **Y5** who understands that it is ok to make mistakes as long as lessons are learned and acted upon, in line with our 'Statement to Live By' this week! Alex has made a huge effort to learn from previous mistakes and to settle and focus. He is trying really hard and everyone is thrilled with the efforts he has made, congratulations Alex, we are all extremely proud of you!

Term 4 Smiley Scores

St Andrew's House  141	St David's House  146	St Patrick's House  123	St George's House  156
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Green Day

A reminder that Sunday 17th March 2019 is the Feast of St Patrick, the Patron Saint of Ireland. To mark this feast day members of St Patrick's House (only) can dress down and wear something green on **Friday 20th March**. Members of the other Houses are expected to wear full school uniform as usual.



Smiley Awards

Congratulations to Aalia, Alana, Alfie, Ava, Bella, D'Mari, Domonique, Eliana, Erin, Hugo, Poppy, Sammy, Seb and Willow in **Y2** who received certificates for earning 100 smileys!

Calendar Reminders

Our **SJF calendar** is available online on the Homepage of our website and in two formats via these links:

- <http://www.st-johnfisher.org/parents-and-carers-zone/calendar/>
- http://www.st-johnfisher.org/cmsfiles/items/downloads/2019-09-24_17_35_37//SJF_CALENDAR_OF_EVENTS_2019-2020.pdf

09-03-20	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• FS2-Y5 Assessment Point 2 – Day 1 - ATTENDANCE IS CRUCIAL• Class Lenten Liturgies (Y1-Y6 only) – please book through School Office
10-03-20	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• FS2-Y5 Assessment Point 2 – Day 2 - ATTENDANCE IS CRUCIAL• Class Lenten Liturgies (FS2 only) – please book through School Office
11-03-20	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• FS2-Y5 Assessment Point 2 – Day 3 - ATTENDANCE IS CRUCIAL
12-03-20	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• FS2-Y5 Assessment Point 2 – Day 4 - ATTENDANCE IS CRUCIAL• No Liturgy (due to FS2-Y5 assessments)
13-02-20	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Y5 Celebration Assembly (9.05am, School Hall, Y4 family/friends welcome)• Class Lenten Liturgies (all classes) – Please book through School Office
16-03-20	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Class Lenten Liturgies (Y1-Y6 only) – please book through School Office
17-03-20	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Feast of St Patrick• SEND Review Meetings (with Mrs Hadfield)• Class Lenten Liturgies (FS2 only) – please book through School Office
19-03-20	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Y2 Liturgy (9.05am, School Hall)• FS2 Phonics & Reading Workshop (3.30pm, FS2 Classroom)
20-03-20	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Green Day (to mark the feast of St Patrick on 17/03/20 - members of St Patrick's House only)• Y6 Celebration Assembly (9.05am, School Hall, Y6 family/friends welcome)• Class Lenten Liturgies (all classes) – please book through School Office



23-03-20	• Class Lenten Liturgies (Y1-Y6 only) – please book through School Office
24-03-20	• SEND Reviews with Mrs Hadfield • Class Lenten Liturgies (FS2 only) – please book through School Office
26-03-20	• Y1 Liturgy (9.05am, School Hall) – the family/friends of our Y1 pupils are invited • All Saint's Parent's Workshop (3.30pm, Y6 classroom) – supervised childcare available
27-03-20	• Celebration Assembly (9.05am, School Hall) – the family/friends of our FS2 pupils are invited

Assessment Point 2

Next week formal assessments will be undertaken by children in all year groups from FS2 to Y6. Attendance every day is therefore especially important. Thank you.

FS2 Phonics Workshop

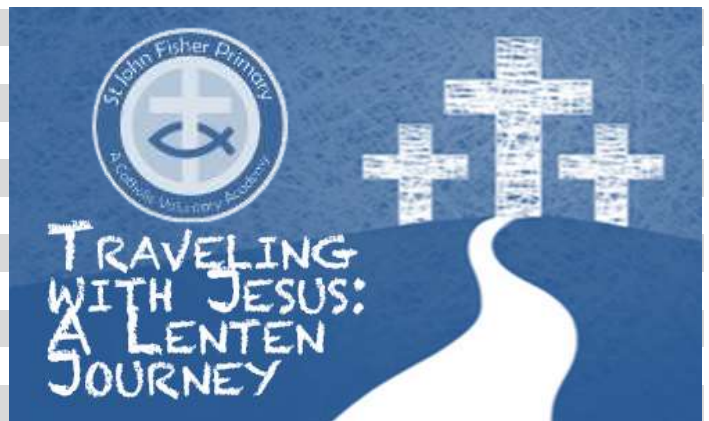
The parents and carers of children in FS2 are invited to a special phonics and reading workshop on **Thursday 19th March 2020** at **3.30pm** in the **FS2** classroom. Lots of important and helpful information will be shared.

SJF Collective Worship

Lent 2020: Class Lenten Liturgies

Lent is a time when we are invited to go on a spiritual journey to the *greatest* Christian feast, Easter. The journey gives us all an opportunity to reflect both on Jesus' example and our own lives. It is also a time of repentance and renewal. We would therefore like to invite you all to join us for any of our simple Lenten class liturgies. The dates are listed below. They will start at 3.10pm. Please notify the Office staff on the day if you wish to attend.

- Monday 9th March 2020 Years 1 to 6
- Tuesday 10th March 2020 FS2
- Friday 13th March 2020 all classes
- Monday 16th March 2020 Years 1 to 6
- Tuesday 17th March 2020 FS2
- Monday 23rd March 2020 Years 1 to 6
- Tuesday 24th March 2020 FS2
- Friday 27th March 2020 all classes
- Monday 30th March 2020 Years 1 to 6
- Tuesday 31st March 2020 FS2
- Friday 3rd April 2020 all classes



Weekly Liturgy of the Word

The next Liturgy of the Word will be on **Thursday 19th March 2020** and will be led by the young people of **Y2**. We of course invite their family and friends to join us that day in the School Hall just after 9.00am.

Celebration Assembly

Our next Celebration Assembly will be on **Friday 13th March 2020** just after 9.00m in the School Hall. This time the family and friends of our **Y5** pupils are invited to join us.

The SJF Penny War in Aid of The Good Shepherd Lenten Appeal 2020

During Lent we are collecting for the Bishop's 'Good Shepherd Appeal', one of our House charities. The SJF 'Penny War' continues! The pupils will collect pennies and two-pennies in class collecting jars at the beginning of the day.



Diocese of Hallam

A penny is worth one point and a two-pence piece is worth two points. Silver coins can be used to sabotage another class' total.

Silver coins deposited into another class jar to reduce the points in the jar. A 5p will reduce a total by 5 points, 10p by 10 points, 50p by 50 points and so on.

At the end of term the coins will be counted and deductions made. The class with the most points overall will be rewarded with special 'Golden Time'.



Our Lenten Prayer: 'The Confiteor'

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done,
and in what I have failed to do;

through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.



Parish Life in Lent and at Easter

If you are looking to make this year's Lenten season special for you please use the link below to the parish website for updates and details of Masses, services and opportunities to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation at Our Lady of Lourdes, St Anthony's and St Theresa's: www.ourladyoflourdessheffield.org.uk.

Attendance this week		
1 st	Y1	99.7% Bobby Bear will visit next week
2 nd	FS2	99.0% Brenda Bear will visit next week
3 rd	Y6	98.7% Elvis the Owl will visit next week
4 th	Y5	98.3%
5 th	Y4	97.5%
6 th	Y3	96.9%
7 th	Y2	96.3%
Target = 98% Average Attendance = 98.1%		



Get Set, GO!		
1 st	Y6	93%
2 nd	FS2	92%
2 nd	Y1	92%
4 th	Y5	90%
5 th	Y4	89%
6 th	Y3	82%
7 th	Y2	81%
Average = 88.4%		

Golden Children

- FS2** **Tilly** for always doing the right thing and for having a brilliant imagination!
- Y1** **Charly** for being a superstar who is trying so hard to do the right thing, including working hard! Keep it up Charly!
- Y2** **Erin** for working really hard; for doing the right things; and for challenging herself!
- Y3** **Lily R** for always working in hard in all lessons and for being so helpful and kind to everyone!
- Y4** **Tyler** for having a great couple of weeks, working hard and taking part in class discussions! Well done!
- Y5** **Marisa** for going about her work in a calm, quiet and resilient way! What a star!
- Y6** **Tamzin** for working so consistently hard all year and for always giving 100% effort! Great work!

Writing Champions

FS2	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Chenai	Aureilia	Poppy	Lena	Mateah	Harley	Archie

Achievements Outside of School

Please share your children's achievements outside of school. Big or small, if they are important to your child we will publish and celebrate the good news! Achievements can be emailed to enquiries@st-johnfisher.org or posted in the box in the foyer next to the School Office.

Here are this week's achievements:

- **William** in **FS2** achieved his 5 metre distance milestone recently! He was very determined and understandably delighted to receive his badge and certificate! Congratulations superstar!
- **Zuza** in **FS2** achieved Stage 1 swimming standard! A fantastic achievement Zuza, well done!

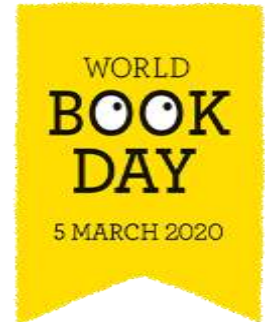


World Book Day 2020

This year's World Book Day was a great success! The children had a great time and looked fantastic dressed as their favourite book characters or in their pyjamas and onesies to underline the importance of bedtime reading. More pictures are available via this link: <http://www.st-johnfisher.org/news/sjf-world-book-day-2020/>

You can also find out what happened in each class by checking out the WBD 2020 updates in the 'Class Zone' and Homepage on our SJF website.

- <http://www.st-johnfisher.org/class-zone/>
- <http://www.st-johnfisher.org/home/>



Reading & Library Volunteers



If you would like to support school in a very special and important way please consider joining our small but dedicated team of Reading Volunteers! We are looking for Reading Volunteers to support and encourage children in all classes, including our youngest FS2 children in the afternoons. If you can spare a little time, please get in touch, we would love to hear from you.

We are also looking for volunteers interested in supporting us to run the library and expand its opening times so that it is more available for parents/carers and children to use before or after school. All volunteers will be subject to the usual safeguarding checks. If you would like to volunteer, or would like some more information, please email Mrs Barrett via enquiries@st-johnfisher.org. Thank you.

Please Help Our Library Grow!

Library funding has been restricted in recent years due to the funding issues faced by all schools including ours. We are therefore looking for individuals or businesses interested in sponsoring our library to help us fund its refurbishment. If you are interested please get in touch (enquiries@st-johnfisher.org).

We are also looking for generous families and companies who are interested in helping us to buy books (or who want to donate new or second-hand books to our library) so that we can increase and update the current stock. By supporting us to realise our ambitious plans for the library (either by supporting its refurbishment or through the donation of books) you will leave an important and lasting legacy which will create a library that will be enjoyed not just by pupils today, but also by those who will follow them.

The donation of second-hand books is appreciated, and we very much hope that this will continue. However there are also many amazing brand new titles and books that you might not have or considered and we hope to restock the library with as many of these new titles as possible, in order to ignite our children's imaginations and give them fresh opportunities to discover new worlds and experience new adventures.

To help guide you towards the titles we are looking for please look at an excerpt of our wish list below. We do not mind if the books are second-hand but we do ask that they are in a good condition.

To show our gratitude and deep appreciation we will display the family/company names of any supporters and donors in the library and inside the cover of any books they give to us.

Below is our wish list, please share and let everyone know that we are looking for these titles specifically and for sponsors too. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions. Many thanks in advance, here are a few of the titles from our wish list:

- **The Silly Book of Side Splitting Stuff** by Andy Seed
- **A Boy Called Hope** by Lara Williamson
- **Illegal** by Eoin Colfer
- **The Nowhere Emporium** by Ross Mackenzie
- **Time Travelling** by Ross Welford
- **Cogheart** by Peter Bunzle
- **The Girl of Ink and Stars** by Kiran Millwood
- **SeaBEAN** by Sarah Holding
- **Eren** by P Clark
- **Abomination** by Robert Swindells
- **Carrie's War** by Nina Bawden
- **Raspberries on the Yangtze** by Karen Wallace
- **The Crowstarver** by Dick King Smith
- **Awful End** by Philip Ardagh
- **Fruit and Nutcase** by Jean Ure
- **Granny** by Anthony Horowitz
- **The Hobbit** by J R R Tolkien



We are also looking for high quality non-fiction books for children on prehistory (the Stone Age, the Iron Age and the Bronze Age); the Seasons (Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter); and the Aztecs.

For details of other curriculum topic areas, please see our SJF Curriculum Map, which is available via this link: <http://www.st-johnfisher.org/curriculum/curriculum-map/>. Many thanks for your continuing support.

Advice

Below are links to websites where up-to-date information is available for anyone concerned about the Coronavirus:

- ✓ <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>
- ✓ <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>



Beat Your Best!

Mr Johnson's Weekly Personal Challenge!

This week the children's challenge was a cricket bowling game.

This fun activity was designed to test pupils' bowling skills and challenge them to improve over the week!

Within a coned area Mr Johnson set up two wickets. Pupils were then challenged to bowl at (and hit) the wickets. Mr Johnson was at hand to demonstrate the different bowling techniques students could use.

A huge 'thank you' to all the children who took part and who also helped other children with their bowling! This was really fantastic to see! Well done to everyone who participated in this week's 'Beat your Best Challenge'! Everyone did really well!



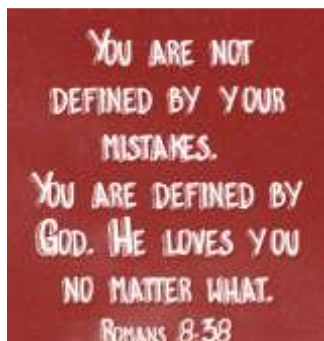
Statement to Live By

Next week our 'statement to live by' is '**I can learn from my mistakes and failures**'

Time to talk: This week we will reflect on why it is OK – even important – to make mistakes sometimes. We will think about why we must challenge ourselves so that we can actually learn how to be fantastic learners.

We will reflect on why this can be scary and why we have to just go for it - even though we might make mistakes in the process. We will think about what Michael Johnson (the famous American basketball player) meant when he said; "You will miss 100% of the shots you never take!" and we promised to try to push ourselves to our limits - and beyond - within the safety of the classroom.

This week why not reflect on **how**, **when** and **where** you will push yourselves this week? What mistakes have you made in the past and how did you react to them? Positively or negatively? How will you challenge yourselves this week? Why is Lent such a special time for thinking, reflecting, trying, failing and trying again? What will you do differently this week?



Best wishes,
Mr Barratt

