



St John Fisher News

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Welcome Back!

It has been really fantastic to welcome back the children and all my colleagues after the Christmas holiday. I have particularly enjoyed hearing all the children's news. On behalf of the Governors and everyone here at St John Fisher I would like to wish you all a very happy, healthy and peaceful 2016!

★ Citizen of the Week

★ This week's recipient is **Daisy Parkin** (Y2) for understanding that we are better when we are united in line with this week's 'Statement to Live By' and our special new 'Teamwork' Term 3 PE value! Daisy really does understand why good teamwork is very important and always tries really hard in everything she does to include and support others. This week she has astounded both Mrs Broadhead and Mrs Golland with her fantastically positive attitude to learning, especially in mathematics and PE and with the kindness and generosity of spirit that she demonstrates so effortlessly every day. Congratulations superstar!

New Year Mass!

Today our community came together for a special Mass to mark the beginning of a new year. I would like to firstly thank Father Paul for celebrating Mass as well as Mrs Holloway and the special young people of Year 5 for leading today's uplifting liturgy. The children read and fulfilled their different roles beautifully and I was very proud of them all. I would also like to thank Miss Pendlebury and Miss Kiernan for leading the music; the children in the other years for behaving so well and the members of the school and parish communities who were able to join and support us. It is always appreciated when you are able to be with us.

Questionnaires

I would like to thank everyone who has completed and returned a questionnaire. The deadline for returning questionnaires is next Friday (15th), so there is still time if you would like to provide us with feedback. As parents and carers you are very important and your views and ideas are key to helping us get things right. I will start following up your feedback from Monday 18th January. Many thanks.

Free School Meals

If you think that you might be able to claim free school meals it is very important that you contact us so that we can help you – in confidence – to apply for what you are entitled to. The process is very private and children receiving free school meals are treated exactly the same as every other child especially with the new online ordering system.

St John Fisher receives a grant to support children who successfully apply for free school meals which is used to support them in school. This grant is called the 'Pupil Premium'. So it is very important that you let us know if you think that you might be entitled.

Currently children in Foundation Stage 2 (FS2), Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to free school meals under a government-funded scheme. However, even for these families it is VERY important that parents/carers contact us if they are in receipt of any kind of income-based benefit as their children might also be entitled to a Pupil Premium grant even though they are receiving free school meals because of their age.

Please speak to my colleagues in the School Office if you would like to find out more.

Please remember that dinner choices can be made for the following week at *any* point up to midnight on Thursday and you can even make meal choices for several weeks at a time if this is more convenient.

Please also remember that when you make choices you select a main course and a dessert. Thank you

Homework Club

Our popular daily 'Homework Club' will resume as soon as Mrs Miller's successor has been recruited.

Curriculum Overviews

The Term 3 overviews will be emailed to parents/carers shortly.

House News



The smiley totals for this week will be added to next week's and published in the newsletter next week.

Term 2 Reading Awards

FS2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alan Cudnowski,• Filip Dworak• Jessica Ball• Lacey Lou Lockey	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Charlie Emmett• Finley Page• Max Oadley• Caleb McAuley	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dylan Steenson• Isobel Stoeman• Olivia Whiteley
Y1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Marisa Avelino• Eleanor Checkley• William Denham• Mia Whitehead• Frederick Antwi• Mike Masuka	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lottie Fitzpatrick• Daisy Green• Jacob Nelson• Alhamzah Al-Rammahi• Jacob Nelson	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Emilia Rodgers• Oscar Diaz• Summer Marsden• Chloe Msungi• Jacob Genita
Y2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vilius Bagdonas• Harry Cawthorne• Mitchell Clayton• Emily Cowlshaw• Maya De Sousa• Sam Mappin	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sophie Ball• Amelia Denham• Sophie Hemingway• Phoebe Kilbride• Evan Siner• Lily Peters	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bethany Beatson• Xiomara Gregory• Hibah Javid• Archie Saxton-Clayton• Isla Thompson• Tamzin Samba
Y3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rafal Boratyn• Christian Adusei• Keira Ambrose	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jack Swain• Odette Paige	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lola Pardo-Figueroa• Laurie Paige
Y4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ellie Cope• Nadia Kamolli• William Ludlam• Alfie Saxton-Clayton• Jared Ward	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Daniel De Sousa• Calum Hardy• Kayla Osei-Badu• Ashleigh Sigauke	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ruby Hayward• Finely Mappin• Lily Sanders• Kai Taylor
Y5	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Arianne Alfonso• Olivia King• Evie Stamford	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Imogen Cranston• Abdullah Al-Rammahi	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Julia Kepinska• Zarnetta Moomba
Y6	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jasmine Green• Kiera Swift	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dominic Rolfe• Brody McConaghy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Noora Moshtael• Luckie Musngi

Assemblies

Weekly Liturgy of the Word

Next week's liturgy of the word will be led by **Y1** on **Thursday 14th January 2016**. All parents, carers and friends of our Y1 children are invited to join us in the school hall just after 9.00am. Thank you.

Celebration Assembly

Our next celebration assembly will be on **Friday 15th January 2016** and the parents, carers, family and friends of the young people in **Y4** are invited at 2.50pm. Thank you.

Attendance This Week

FS2		97.0%		A fantastic start to Term 3! Attendance in every class was above the 97% school target. Well done children, and thank you parents and carers for all your support.
Year 1		98.1%	Brenda Bear will visit next week!	
Year 2		97.5%		
Year 3		98.4%	Bobby Bear will visit next week!	
Year 4		98.4%	Bobby Bear will visit next week!	
Year 5		98.0%	Elvis the Owl will visit next week!	
Year 6		97.5%		
Weekly Target		97%	This week's Average Attendance	97.8%

Writing Champions

This will begin again next week.

Reading Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to read with our children on a regular basis. Reading at school and at home is key to helping children develop fluency and confidence. We are particularly interested in hearing from anyone who can support us for about 20 minutes at 9.00am or 3.00pm, two/three times per week, but any time you can offer would be appreciated. Training and support will be provided if needed.

If you are interested please you contact details to my colleagues in the School Office in an envelope marked clearly: 'Reading Volunteers – Miss D'Roza' and we will get back to you. All volunteers will be subject to appropriate safeguarding checks. Thank you.

PE Values

Our value for Term 2 was 'honesty' and today Mrs Broadhead and two of our Sports Leaders (Daphney Adebayo and Jasmine Green) announced the winners from each class who have tried particularly hard to demonstrate this value. Congratulations to the following children:

- Max Oadley (FS2)
- Mia Whitehead (Y1)
- Sami Hardy (Y2)
- Reuben Hastings-Quainoo (Y3)*
- Ola Dominiak (Y4)*
- Benjamin Cartwright (Y5)
- Abigael Collins (Y6)

* Reuben and Ola will receive their awards next week as they were on an educational visit today

The overall class winners were the children of Y6! Congratulations boys and girls!

Golden Children

This week's Golden Children are:

FS2		Jessica Ball for always being a good listener and for being engaged in her learning! Maya Ptucha for her increased confidence in class both this week and before the holidays!
Year 1		Emilia Rodgers for always thinking about others and looking after children when they feel sad or are hurt!
Year 2		Erin Gent for always trying her best; for constantly trying to improve; and for being a super leader who has demonstrated teamwork this week!
Year 3		Cole Hague for being polite, thoughtful and ready to learn this week! Well done!
Year 4		Ben Forgo for giving 100% effort to everything and for enjoying his writing! Keep it up!
Year 5		Kimi Hardy for returning after the break refreshed and with a great attitude! He has been working hard in Maths particularly with Mr Tandy. Keep it up Kimi!
Year 6		Kiera Beck for having a great attitude to school and learning and for always trying her best! A super example to others, well done!

Term 3 PE Value

Our Value this term is **teamwork**.

Achievements Outside of School

Please do not forget to let us have details of any achievements big or small. If it is special to you and your child then it will be special to us. Thank you.

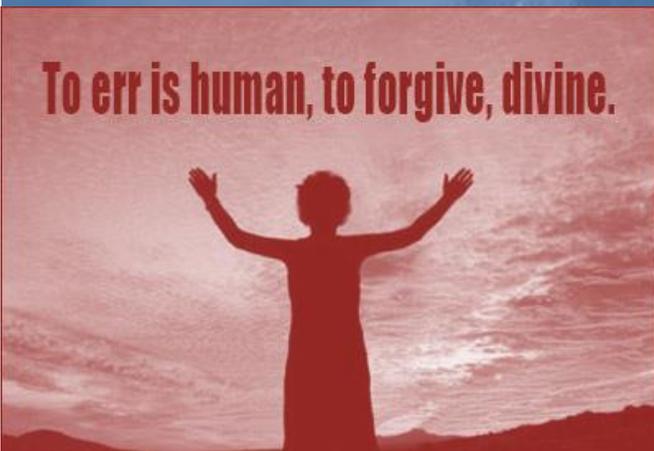
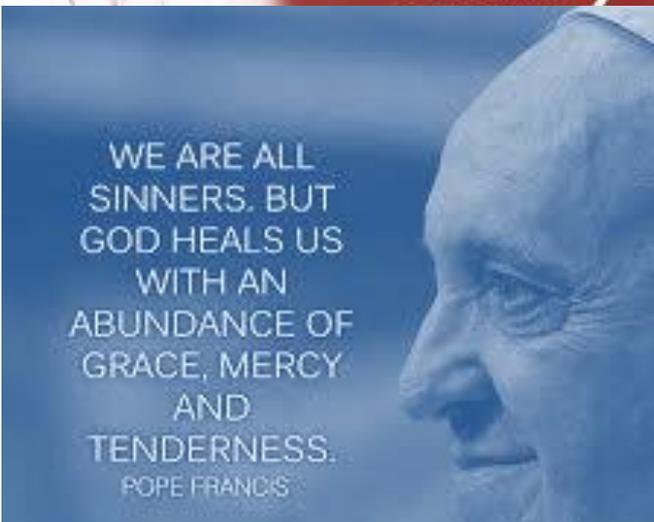
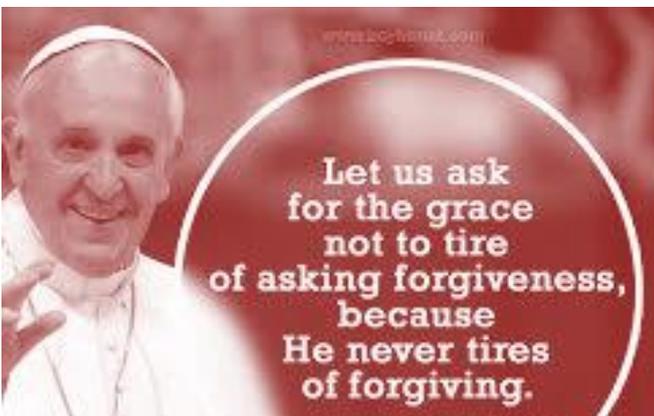
Top Table

This week's winning family - chosen by Mrs Bower and our lunchtime supervisors - is the Falcon family! Congratulations to Archie, Mitchell, Sam, Eleanor, Charlotte, Giovanni and Alfie M. Well done!

Statement to Live By

Next week our 'statement to live by' is **"I try to forgive others when they hurt me."**

Time to talk: Together you could think about what the word *forgiveness* means. Why is it so important? Why is it so hard to do? Why does Jesus challenge us to try to forgive others when they hurt us? Can you remember a time when you showed someone forgiveness and when someone showed you forgiveness? How does it feel after you have offered or received forgiveness? How can offering a gift of forgiveness help make our world a better place?



Have a wonderful weekend

Best wishes,
Mr Barratt