



**St. John the Baptist**  
Catholic Primary School

*We will prepare the way by loving, living and learning with the Lord*

# Newsletter

This half term's virtues are:

Friday 13.09.19

*Grateful*

*and*

*Generous*

## Parents'/ Carers' Consultation Meeting for the Proposed 'Our Lady and All Saints Catholic Multi-Academy Company'

*St. John the Baptist Catholic Primary School has been working with other Catholic schools in the local area to establish a Multi Academy Company. All schools are now consulting on the planned changes and a meeting has been arranged at **St. John the Baptist School on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September at 2.30pm** to explain what is involved. Further information is available on our website, in the 'Newsletters' section and on the notice board at the back of the Church.*

The consultation period runs from Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2019 to Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2019. We will be consulting with; parents, staff, parishioners and other schools. Consultation meetings have also been arranged across all schools:

School	Day and Date	Time
Guardian Angels	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	2:30pm
Our Lady's	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> September	2:30pm
Our Lady of Compassion	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> September	6:00pm
Our Lady of the Wayside	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	7:00pm
St Andrew's	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	6:00pm
St Anne's	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> September	6:30pm
St Anthony's	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	6:00pm
St Augustine's	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	7:00pm
St Edward's	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	6:00pm
St George & St Teresa's	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	7:00pm
St John the Baptist	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	2:30pm
St Peter's	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	6:00pm
St Wilfrid's	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	6:00pm

At any stage during the consultation process you can submit your views in writing to your local Headteacher or by email to: [macconsultation@olaas.co.uk](mailto:macconsultation@olaas.co.uk)

## STARS OF THE WEEK!

Congratulations to Reception, for settling in so nicely,

Aisha Mc in Year 1,

and Casey G in Year 6

we're all really proud of you.

This week's virtues awards were given to

Ameera I	Nursery
Georgie C	Reception
Issac A	Year 1
Olly K	Year 2
Elisha I	Year 3
Tyler T	Year 4
Jamie T	Year 5
Litzy D	Year 6

For being grateful and generous.

### Attendance

Our school strives for 100% attendance. This week the class with the highest attendance was Nursery and Year 6 with 100%



*Well done!*

### Ready to learn Award

Congratulations, our most punctual class this week was Nursery and Reception.



### ***Birthdays***

Happy birthday this week to: Summer B-R, Tia-May B, Malala H and Alex B.

**Happy  
Birthday**

# Head Boy and Head Girl

Mr Gallagher and Mrs Dixon led interviews for these very important roles on Monday afternoon.

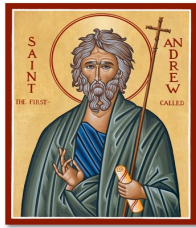
All candidates from Year Six who were interviewed were excellent and very well prepared.

The choice was incredibly difficult but we are pleased to announce that this year's Head Boy is Kai S and Head Girl is Maiya L.

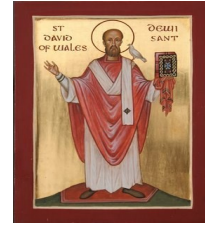
Congratulations you will be fantastic representatives of our school.

## Congratulations to Our New House Captains

Congratulations to our new House Captains. We wish them all the best in their new roles.



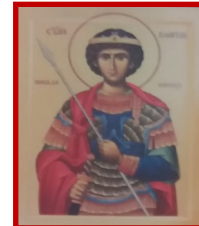
St Andrew - Lexie-Rae D & Casey G



St David - Joseph L & Aleesha I



St Patrick - Kieran H & Litzy D



St George - Summer B & Alex B

## New Homework Organisers

You will, by now, have had the chance to attend a 'welcome to your new class' meeting and had the chance to see our new homework organisers. These were designed and agreed during one of our parents' coffee mornings.



The aim of the organiser is to allow your child to continually practise basic expected facts and knowledge whilst reducing the time spent on tasks each night, to support family life at home. We ask that you please assist your child in completing all sections of their organiser, particularly ensuring that they read every night and you sign to indicate they have done this. Those who do not complete all home work tasks will be required to catch up in their own time during the school day. Thank you in advance for your support.

## SJB Sport

Our pre-season football trials got off to a fantastic start! Some of Year 5 joined Year 6 and they all did really well. We are expecting some brilliant new talent! The team are certainly match ready and can't wait to have their first competitive game.



## Dates for your Diary

### Tuesday 1st October

All day - Slip into Slippers Day (£1.00 donation)

### Friday 25th October

2.00pm - Break up for October half term

### Monday 4th November

All day - Inset Day (school closed to children)

### Tuesday 5th November

8.55am - Children return to school

### Friday 20th December

2.00pm - Break up for Christmas holiday

### Monday 6th January

All day - Inset day (school closed to children)

### Tuesday 7th January

8.55am - Children return to school

## Safeguarding Support

### Don't like it? Block it, report it

Social media sites have tools which let you 'block' people you don't want to be in contact with. If you find something online that worries or upsets you, or you are being bullied online you can report it. It's also a good idea to tell an adult you trust and save evidence of what you've found. For more info on blocking and reporting visit [www.childnet.com/resources/how-to-make-a-report](http://www.childnet.com/resources/how-to-make-a-report)

## Online Safety - tip of the week!

*Online safety hero says...*



*Don't share personal information online.*

*Use your first name or nickname and do not give out your address.*

*#keepyourpersonalinformationsafe*

*#thinkbeforeyoushare*





## **Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Forgiving God, so often we get distracted by things and are too busy to put you first. Yet you never stop loving us, and so we thank you for never giving up on us.*

In this Sunday's gospel, Jesus tells us three stories to show us how God welcomes us, loves us and forgives us all.

In the reading we hear, how the shepherd was so concerned when he lost one sheep out of a hundred?  
And how the woman was so worried about losing one coin out of ten?

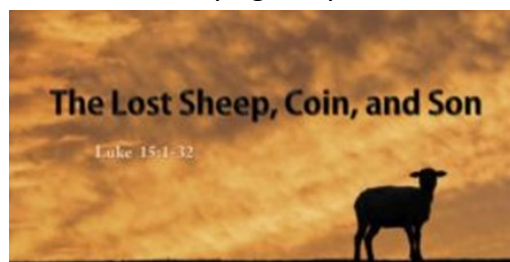
Even though it was only one sheep or one coin, they were still very important and valuable to the people who had lost them.

Jesus is our shepherd, and we, his followers, are the sheep.

In the same way as in the stories, all people are valuable to God, because God made us and loves us. We are all different. We are all special. God cares for us and loves us. God wants us to do what is right. But sometimes we do not listen, we are not very generous, and we can be mean to others. At these times we're a bit like the sheep or the coin that is lost, because we are turning away from God.

But this doesn't mean that God loves and cares for us any less. God cares for us and watches over us always. And when we see that we have done something wrong, when we ask for forgiveness and turn back to God, He is happy and welcomes us back and celebrates because we are no longer lost.

In Jesus's last story we hear about a father's forgiveness for his son. Although the son went far away and wasted the father's money, he realised he had done something wrong and he came back to his father, saying sorry.



We should try to make sure that everyone feels welcome. We can try to recognise everyone's special gifts and talents and help everyone to feel safe and happy.

*God of lost sheep, coins and all people, help us to remember you are with us in love and forgiveness every day. Guide us to share your love with others through all that we do. Amen.*

*Have a lovely weekend.*

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