



# St. John the Baptist Catholic Primary School

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

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Newsletter No. 19

Dear Parents/ Carers,

This half term's keys to happiness and well-being are:

<b>Resilience</b> Find ways to bounce back	<b>Trying Out</b> Keep learning new things	<b>Direction</b> Have goals to look forward to
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Dates for your diary - February		
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	9.30am	Mass led by Year 2
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	7.00pm	Sacrament of Confirmation
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	9.15am	Year 1 class assembly
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	All day	Staff Inset day – school closed for children
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	All week	Year 6 Lenten Fundraising
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb	9.30am	Mass led by Year 5

## Changes to Break times

We would like to offer a big thank you to all our children who have shown that they are living this half term's keys to happiness. They have shown that they are willing to try out new ideas and have met new goals that were set. As a result our dining hall has been quieter, tidier and much more sociable this week. Well done!

## Year Five/ Six Inspire Workshop

Thank you to all family members who attended yesterday's Inspire workshop, you are always most welcome. We had excellent feedback following the morning and we hope that you left with some new ideas of how to support your child to be a successful speller.

## Parent Council

Thank you to those who have joined our Parent Council. Our first meeting will take place at 9.10am on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February.

## Decorating Biscuits for St Valentine's Day

As school will be closed on 13<sup>th</sup> February for a staff Inset day, our PTFA have organised a day for children to decorate a biscuit on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February. This was a very popular activity last year which the children really enjoyed. If you would like your child to have the chance to decorate a biscuit please send in 50p per child on the day.



## Birthdays

Happy birthday this week to:

## Attendance

Our school strives for 100% attendance. This week the class with the highest attendance were **Year 3** with **98.1%**. Well done!



## Ready to Learn Award

Congratulations, our most punctual classes this week were **Reception and Year 2**



## Thumbs Up Award

Well done to **Year 2 and Year 4** for their excellent behaviour during lunchtimes this week.



## Star of the Week

Congratulations to **Joel F in Year 3** we're all really proud of you!

Have a lovely weekend

Yours sincerely

Mr I. Gallagher  
Headteacher

## The Presentation of the Lord

*When Joseph and Mary presented the child Jesus in the temple, Simeon immediately recognized the Lord's presence in his temple. Through eyes of faith he saw the infant Jesus as the fulfilment of all the messianic prophecies, hopes, and prayers of the people of Israel. Inspired by the Holy Spirit he prophesied that Jesus was to be "a revealing light to the Gentiles". Jesus came not only as "light and salvation" for the people of Israel, but for all nations as well.*



