



St. John the Baptist Catholic Primary School

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

18th September

Newsletter No. 3

Dear Parents/ Carers,

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

Trying Out Keep learning new things	Meaning Be part of something bigger
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Dates for your diary - September		
Thursday 24 th Sept	2.45pm	Parent Council meeting
Friday 25 th Sept	9.15am	Macmillan coffee morning/ Race for Life day

Parent Council Meeting

Our first Parent Council Meeting will take place at 2.45pm on Thursday 24th September. New members are welcome to join us.

Well Done Nursery

We'd like to say a big well done to our new Nursery children who have joined us for their first full week. Mrs Patterson and our Early Years team are really pleased and impressed with how well you have settled in. We're really glad that you're now part of our school.

Race for Life/ Macmillan Coffee Morning

We will be holding a Race for Life event on our school grounds on Friday 25th September. All children must have returned their letter of consent in order for them to be able to take part. You will receive a sponsorship form today with this letter. The race for Nursery, Reception, Year One and Year Two will start at 9.30am. The race for Year Three – Year Six will begin at 2.30pm. All parents and carers are welcome to join us, we just ask you to sign in at the school office beforehand. Please ensure that your child has their PE kit and trainers in school.

If you would rather not walk or run and would rather just watch, whilst eating cake (sounds like a good option) then please remember that we will be running Macmillan Coffee 'Mornings' during both races.

Old Shirts Needed

We are currently running low on painting aprons so if any dads have any old shirts to donate we would really appreciate it. Please send them in with your child. Thank you



Birthdays

Happy birthday this week to: Alex B, Maiya L, Heidi D.

Attendance

Our school strives for 100% attendance. This week the class with the highest attendance was Year 2 with 100%. Well done!



Ready to Learn Award

Congratulations, our most punctual class this week was Year Six



Stars of the Week

Congratulations to Tianna C in Reception and Shay W in Year 3, we're all really proud of you!

Have a lovely weekend

Yours sincerely
I. Gallagher

Mr I. Gallagher
Headteacher

The Feast of St Matthew - 21st September

“God looks at the heart and not at the appearance of a man”

What is God’s call on each of our lives? Jesus chose Matthew to be his follower and friend, not because Matthew was religious, popular or saintly. Matthew appeared to be none of those. He chose to live a life of wealth and ease. His profession, a tax collector, was probably the most corrupted and despised by everyone.

What did Jesus see in Matthew that others did not see? Matthew’s heart must have yearned for God. When Jesus saw Matthew sitting at his tax office – no doubt counting his day’s profit – Jesus spoke only two words – “follow me”. Those two words changed Matthew from a self-serving profiteer to a God-serving apostle who would bring the treasures of God’s kingdom to the poor and needy.

