

### St. John the Baptist Catholic Primary School

### Newsletter

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



"Here is the light you will reveal to the nations"

Luke 2: 32

This half term's virtues are:

Friday 03.02.23

Eloquent

and

Truthful

**Catholic Social Teaching Focus** 

The Dignity of Work (linking with Fairtrade Fortnight 21.02-06.03)

Everyone's work is of value. There are many kinds of work. In each job, workers deserve to be treated with respect; work safely; work reasonable hours, and earn fair wages. They deserve this because they are made by God. Our work gives us the means to live, but it is also a chance to use the talents God gives us. Our work is our way of cooperating with God to help create a better world.

Focus Hymns – 'Lord of the Dance' and 'You are my Brother'



## **Strike Update**



I'm pleased we were able to remain fully open this week for our children, but would also like to express my support for the teachers that did strike, most of whom are doing so to try to highlight problems within our nation's education system.

The next planned strike day is March 1st. We will inform you about our situation on that day closer to the time.

# **Safer Internet Day**



Next week we will be highlighting online safety on 'Safer Internet Day'.

The theme this week is 'Want to Talk About It?'

I'm sure we'll have some news to share with you about what has been learnt, next Friday.



# **Class Activities - KS2**

Year 3 have had a great day celebrating Number Day...









It was Year 4's turn to take part in cricket led by Shaz the Warwickshire Cricket Coach this week. The children had a great time learning batting skills.









Year 4 started to create their structures this week!
Watch this space for their finished pavilions.

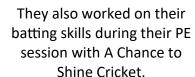


Malala has been crowned the Queen of the times tables in a hard fought battle. Well done Malala!

Brilliant week of learning, well done Year 4!



Year 6 enjoyed following a course in their OAA PE unit.







### **Well done Anna!**





During our computing lessons the children took part in a competition to design the next World Cup logo. This competition was open to all primary schools in the UK.

We would like to say a huge well done to Anna in Year 2 who won a fabulous drawing tablet for having the best World Cup logo design for KS1.

What an achievement, we hope you enjoy creating art masterpieces on your computer with your new drawing tablet!

This was Anna's winning design.



You can view all the entries by following this link https://archivesit.org.uk/fifa-competition-entry-gallery/



## **Reminder - School Photographer**

The school photographer will be coming into school next Wednesday, 8th February.

If you would like your child to have their photo taken with younger siblings please report to the school office between 8.30am - 8.45am. Thank you.



## **Science Superstars**

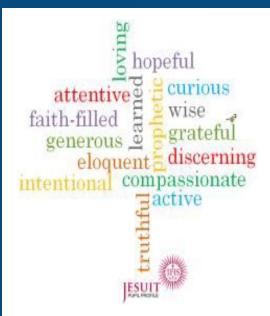
Our Science Superstars this week are Year 3.

They have been planning an experiment for next week where they will be answering questions like "Do shadows stay the same throughout the day?".

We have planned how we will conduct the experiment and how to make it a fair test.









**Congratulations to** 

Arlo B

in Year 1

and Alfie W

in Year 4

We're all really proud of you!

This week's virtues awards were given to

Dolly-Mae W Nursery

Azariah J-L Reception

Kingsley C Year 1

Jax R Year 2

Taylor S Year 3

Ryan M Year 4

Arcange P Year 5

Nikita B Year 6

For being Eloquent and Truthful



#### Ready to learn Award

Congratulations, our most punctual classes this week were Year 2 and Year 4

#### **Attendance**



Our school strives for 100% attendance. This week the class with the highest attendance was Year 1 with 97.8% Well done!



Happy birthday this week to: Layla-Mae B, Theo A and Lexi-Boe-N



### **Dates for your Diary**

Wednesday 8th February 2023

School Photographer

Friday 17th February 2023

3.15pm - Break up for February Half Term

**Tuesday 28th February 2023** 

8.55am - Children return to school

Friday 31st March 2023

3.15pm - Break up for Easter Holiday

Monday 17th April 2023

8.55am - Children return to school

Inset days 2022 - 2023

Monday 27th February 2023 Monday 5th June 2023

### **Next Week's Menu**



### **WEEK TWO**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Oven Baked Sausages	G Beef Bolognaise	Roast Chicken Breast and Gravy	Pork & Carrot Meatballs with Pasta	Oven Baked Fish Fingers
Vegetarian Sausage (V)	Vegetable Nuggets (V)	Macaroni Cheese (V)	Mexican Vegetable Fajitas (V)	Cheese & Tomato Pizza (V)
Mashed Potato Spaghetti Carrot Batons Peas Mixed Salad of the Season Garlic Bread	Oven Baked Potato Wedges Savoury Rice, Oven Roasted Vegetables Broccoli Florets Mixed Salad of the Season Herb Bread	Roast Potatoes Creamy Mashed Potato Chunky Carrots Vegetable Medley Mixed Salad of the Season Wholemeal Bread	Boiled Potatoes Herb Diced Potatoes Sweetcorn Peas Mixed Salad of the Season Twin Bread	Chunky Chips Crushed Potatoes Baked Beans Fruity Summer Coleslaw Mixed Salad of the Season White Bread
Cinnamon Cake with Custard Fruit Yoghurt Seasonal Fresh Fruit Platter	Jelly and Ice Cream Fruit Yoghurt Seasonal Fresh Fruit Platter	Chocolate Sponge With chocolate Sauce Fruit Yoghurt Seasonal Fresh fruit Platter	Apple Flapjack Fruit Yoghurt Seasonal Fresh Fruit Platter	Chocolate & Vanilla Mousse Fruit Yoghurt Seasonal Fresh Fruit Platter



O Denotes freshly prepared dishes.

Menus may change to meet customers' preferences, a promotional event and seasonal variation. A range of locally sourced products are used when available and seafood with this mark comes from an MSC certified sustainable fishery, www.msc.org Allergies - please contact your school cook for more information about the content of menu items.









#### Our fabulous tweets continue!

#### Have a look at some of our most recent tweets!

#### Please don't forget to join our tweeting community by tweeting us @SJBsolihull























#### 2023 HOLIDAY CLUB SCHEME

#### Coleshill C of E Primary School - B46 3LL

Clubszone are pleased to be working with the local council in providing exciting opportunities for the Easter and Summer holidays in 2023.

Time of the club will be 8:40am - 4:15pm each day.

Our holiday camps are 5-star rated on Trustpilot and we provide many different activities for children of all abilities aged between 5 – 13.

#### **Example Timetable**

Time	Group 1 Ages 5-6	Group 2 Ages 7-8	Group 3 Ages 9-10	Group 4 Ages 11-13		
8:40am - 9:15am	REGISTRATION AND GROUP GAMES					
9:15am - 10:00am	TAG GAMES	BASKETBALL	HANDBALL	TAG RUGBY		
10:00am - 10:40am	DRAMA	QUAD BALL	TENNIS	BASKETBALL		
10:40am - 11:15am	MORNING BREAK					
11:15am - 12:15pm	LASER TAG	VOLLEYBALL	DANCE	FOOTBALL		
12:15pm - 1:15pm	LUNCH BREAK					
1:15pm - 2:00pm	DODGEBALL	DRAMA	ROUNDERS	ARCHERY		
2:00pm - 2:45pm	FOOTBALL	ARCHERY	FENCING	DANCE		
2:45pm - 3:00pm	AFTERNOON BREAK					
3:00pm - 3:45pm	DANCE	FOOTBALL	PAC-MAN	TABLE TENNIS		
3:45pm - 4:15pm	SIGNING OUT AND GROUP GAMES					

The HAF scheme is for children that are pupil premium and receive free school meals. There is NO CHARGE for this service and the children would also receive a free lunch at the club.

#### How to register a place for your child?

#### Ways to Book

- 1 Text 07305191086
- 2 Email HAF@clubszone.co.uk
- 3 Scan The QR Code Below



#### Information Required to Secure Your Booking

- Full Name of Child
- Date of Birth
- School Attending
- Home Postcode
- Parent Name
- Parent Email Address
- Parent Phone Number

Please inform us about any SEN support that your child may require.

### **Our Pope's Prayer Intentions**



#### February - For parishes

We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.



## **National Online Safety**





# **Mr G's Recommended Reads**

I might be a little ahead of myself but as the weather has been so much brighter, this week, my chosen theme is sunshine.

For our younger readers...

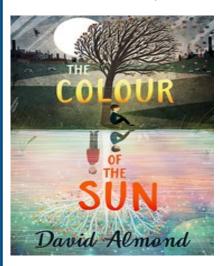
'In the Sun - Whatever the Weather' by Carol Thompson



There's a wealth of sights, sounds, smells, tastes and textures to discover and enjoy in the sunshine! In this series of richly illustrated books, the author celebrates the immediate and sensory response of children to the natural world – whatever the weather!

For our older readers...

'The Colour of the Sun' by David Almond



One hot summer morning, Davie steps boldly out of his front door. The world he enters is very familiar - the little Tyneside town that has always been his home - but as the day passes, it becomes ever more mysterious. A boy has gone missing, and Davie thinks he might know who is responsible. He turns away from the gossip and excitement and sets off roaming towards the sunlit hills above the town.

As the day goes on, the real and the imaginary start to merge, and Davie knows that neither he nor his world will ever be the same again.



#### Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

God of hope, may we be an example to others so that the light of Jesus shines brightly in the world.

In this Sunday's gospel, Jesus tells us that if we do what is good and right, others will see that we believe and will praise God. We can be an example for others, like a light shining to show the way.

Gospel: Matthew 5:13-16

"You are like salt for the whole human race. But if salt loses its saltiness, there is no way to make it salty again. It has become worthless, so it is thrown out and people trample on it.

"You are like light for the whole world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp and puts it under a bowl; instead he puts it on the lampstand, where it gives light for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine before people, so that they will see the good things you do and praise your Father in heaven."

In the reading today Jesus tells us that we are light to the world. We are asked to let our light shine in people's sight, so that when they see our good works, they will praise God. Through the things that we do, other people will know how good God is.

God loves everybody, no matter where in the world they are from, whether they are rich or poor. God asks us to do the same because we are all members of the same family.

If we love other people and do what we can to help them, then other people will see how great God's love is.

We will be like the light that shines and is not covered up, so that everyone can see.



How will you be like a shining light this week?

God of joy, may we share your light with all our sisters and brothers around the world, so that as members of one global family we can work together to build a brighter, fairer future for all people. Amen.

Have a lovely weekend.



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