



St. John the Baptist Catholic Primary School

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

6th February
Newsletter No. 20

Dear Parents/ Carers,

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

Resilience Find ways to bounce back	Trying Out Keep learning new things	Direction Have goals to look forward to
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Dates for your diary - February		
Tuesday 10 th Feb	7.00pm	Sacrament of Confirmation
Thursday 12 th Feb	9.15am	Year 1 class assembly
Thursday 12 th Feb	1.15pm	Childline Workshops Y5/ Y6
Friday 13 th Feb	All day	Staff Inset day – school closed for children
Monday 23 rd Feb	All week	Year 6 Lenten Fundraising
Friday 27 th Feb	9.30am	Mass led by Year 5



Thank you



It has been a difficult week for our school community as friends and colleagues of Mrs Baiao said a final goodbye on Tuesday. Thank you to everyone who has donated to Marie Curie Cancer Care, we have raised £423 in her memory.

There is still time to send 50p to purchase a daffodil bulb. These will be planted around the school site to provide an annual reminder of Mrs Baiao's bright and cheerful disposition.

May she rest in peace.

Parent Council

Thank you to those who attended our first Parent Council meeting. We discussed the content of our new website; some proposed changes to school uniform for next year, as well as ideas to strengthen the home/ school partnership.

Our Parent Council also asked that I clarify recent changes to arrangements in our dining hall. All children now sit together in house groups and have lunchtime staff who are designated to their house tables. The benefits of these changes are: lunchtime is a more sociable experience with children of mixed ages talking and supporting each other. Children can now be awarded house points if their house group works together to be the quietest or the tidiest. Also if staff or parents have a concern about a child's eating, we now have lunchtime staff who will support the same house tables each day; therefore making it easier to monitor children over time. We are very pleased with the positive impact these changes have made.

Valentine's Lunch

The children will be treated to a special Valentine's meal (prepared with extra love) on Thursday 12th February. We can't promise red roses and candlelight but there will be heart shaped desserts!



Birthdays

Happy birthday this week to: Malachi G, Massimo B, Korby D, Jack H.

Attendance

Our school strives for 100% attendance. This week the class with the highest attendance was Year 4 with 98.5%. Well done!



Ready to Learn Award

Congratulations, our most punctual classes this week was Year 4



Thumbs Up Award

Well done to Year 1 and Year 5 for their excellent behaviour during lunchtimes this week.



Stars of the Week

Congratulations to Inioluwa A. in Reception and Katie W. in Year 5 we're all really proud of you!

Have a lovely weekend

Yours sincerely

Mr I. Gallagher
Headteacher

'They brought to Jesus all who were sick'

"Lord Jesus Christ, you have all power to heal and to deliver. There is no trouble you cannot overcome. Set me free to serve you joyfully and to love and serve others generously. May nothing hinder me from giving myself wholly to you and to your service." Amen



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