

"Our Mission - At St. John's we grow and learn in the footsteps of Jesus"



St. John's Newsletter

Friday 26th January 2024



Dear Parents and Carers

X (formerly Twitter) of the Week from Pope Francis (@Pontifex)

The coming months will lead us to the opening of the Holy Door, with which we will begin the Jubilee. Let us [#PrayTogether](#) to prepare ourselves to live properly this grace-filled event and to experience the power of hope in God. [#YearOfPrayer](#)



Multiplication Tables Workshop

On Monday approximately sixty parents of year 3 and 4 children attended a presentation about the teaching and practice of Times Tables at St. John's. This is a special focus for Year 4s this year due to the nationwide Multiplication Check in June.

If you missed the presentation then please don't hesitate to ask your child's teacher about their learning of Times Tables and how we can work with you to support learning at home.

Dates for your Diary

Sun 28th Jan - 10.30am: Children's Mass at St John's Church.
All welcome.

Fri 9th Feb - EYFS & Class 11 cake sale after school (please take cakes to class in the morning).

Mon 12th - Fri 16th Feb - Half Term, School closed to all children.

Mon 19th Feb - Start of term 4

Weds 21st Feb - Year 4 to Trowbridge Museum

Thurs 22nd Feb - Year 3 to Trowbridge Museum



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A police visit to St John's.

On Monday, PCSO Harry and PCSO Brian visited St John's. Foundation and Key Stage One children learned about how the Police and PCSOs can help us and Key Stage Two children were taught about online safety. The children thoroughly enjoyed the talks.



Parking near school

May we please remind parents not to park on the yellow lines outside school. Unfortunately one of our parents was spoken to rudely earlier this week when they challenged another parent who had parked unsafely on the yellow lines. These road markings have been installed to make entering and existing the school site safer for everyone and your co-operation is appreciated.

Wednesday Word

Please find below the link to this week's copy of the **Wednesday Word** which can be copied and pasted into your browser.

We hope you enjoy sharing the Bible Scripture together with your child

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/teacher?pid=MTA101634&v=117.3>



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National Storytelling Week

Next week we will be taking part in National Storytelling Week which runs from 27th Jan – 4th Feb this year and has been brilliantly introduced to the children by Mr Somerville who performed a story to the whole school in assembly this morning.

Children will be invited to take part in activities throughout the week including storytelling sessions with our Year 6 Reading Champions at lunchtimes in the school library.

We would love the storytelling to continue at home and encourage you to tell each other stories, perhaps from memories of childhood or even ones that are completely made up.

The National Literary Trust has some brilliant ideas to get you started, please click on the link below or type 'wordsforlife' in your search engine.

<https://wordsforlife.org.uk/themes/celebrate-storytelling-week-at-home/>

Dream up a world and share the magic of storytelling with your child!

**National
Storytelling
Week** 
Dream up a world



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Birthdays This Week

We would like to wish all children who have had birthdays last week, this week, or will celebrate over the weekend a very HAPPY BIRTHDAY.

Pupils will receive their pencils in Celebration Assembly today.

Sofia D
Scarlet A
Cloe M F
Rose W
Toby F
Mylo G
Litiana V



Year 2 Roller Skating Day.

We are proud of the PE opportunities and skills that the children encounter during their time at St John's. However, we are always exploring ways in which we can enhance children's experiences within the subject of PE.

On Thursday, the Year 2 children were given the opportunity to try roller skating during their PE lesson. The children had a brilliant time learning a new skill and all thoroughly themselves.

Thank you to Miss Fallows for arranging this amazing experience.





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Stars of the Week



House points

St. Dominic - 249

St. Rose - 224

St. Therese - 206

St. Anthony - 153

Class 1:	Max L-B	For always showing consideration to others and being a respectful member of Class 1.
Class 2:	Callie E	For being respectful in all that she does. Callie is polite and caring to all she comes into contact with.
Class 3:	Dyona C	For the respect she shows others within our class and throughout the school.
Class 4:	Zuzanna S	For always showing respect to others.
	Cillian J	For always being polite.
Class 5:	Hazelpreet S	For always showing respect to others around her. Listening carefully and being polite to all!
Class 6:	Cloe M F	For being really respectful and showing great learning behaviour.
Class 7:	Alicja S	For showing the utmost respect to adults and children by displaying great learning behaviours in and out of the classroom.
	Luca O-C	For improving his time in class by engaging with learning and listening to the teacher.
Class 8:	Phoenix-Jett H	For showing respect to others through his kindness and patience in the classroom. You have been a great role model this week.
Class 9:	Sofia D	For always showing respect to everyone and everything - no matter who it is or if anyone is watching.
Class 10:	Bella R	For being caring and respectful towards members of the school and living out her 'Peace Maker' title.
Class 11:	Alan K	For his mature and respectful approach to school life. He accepts and respects differences in views and opinions with grace.



Leaders in Faith Award

Congratulations to Florence L who has earned her Bronze Award.