Our Lady & St John's Newsletter

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Dear Parents,
Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended our this weeks Parents' Evening. It was a pleasure to see so many of you in school, sharing in your children's progress and celebrating their achievements. These evenings are such an important opportunity for us to work together, and your continued support makes a real difference.

I must also say how incredibly proud we are of our wonderful Year 6 pupils who helped on the evenings. They were fantastic at keeping everyone to time and ensuring the meetings ran smoothly.

Today we say a fond farewell to Bonnie, our school chef. Bonnie has been a much-valued member of our school community, keeping our children well fed and always greeting them with a warm smile. She will be greatly missed by pupils and staff alike. On behalf of everyone, I would like to thank her for her dedication and wish her every happiness and success in the future.

Finally, what a brilliant time we had celebrating Number Day! The children's outfits were absolutely amazing so creative and full of imagination. Thank you to everyone who bought a pancake and supported the school; your generosity is very much appreciated. A special thank you goes to Mrs Sheehan for organising the event so wonderfully, and to the parents who kindly gave their time to come in and help. Your support helps make these events such a success and creates lasting memories for our children.

I wish you all a wonderful half term holiday and a reminder that Ash Wednesday is next week so please attend Mass if you can.

Mrs. Kelliher

Stars of the Week
9th February 2026

Rec :	**Gabriele & Camilla**
Yr1:	**Aidan & Nardos**
Yr2:	**Delilah & Alexander**
Yr3:	**Noa & Noad**
Yr4:	**Natan & Alex**
Yr5:	**Stella & Emily**
Yr6:	**Bronagh & Kahyjel**



Safeguarding

The wellbeing of our children is of paramount importance to all staff. Should any parent have a concern regarding a child's wellbeing, please inform the school's designated safeguarding officer Mrs Kelliher or in her absence the deputy safeguarding officer Mrs Sheehan.

In cases where school staff have concerns, they have a statutory duty to discuss the issue with their line manager Mrs Kelliher to seek further advice.



We are a PEANUT & NUT FREE SCHOOL

Due to severe allergies of some pupils and staff, please ensure no nut or peanut products are brought into school.

Congratulations to the children in St. David' s received the most house points over the last week.

The children in St. David 's will receive 15 minutes of extra play in Key stage 1.

The children in St. David's in Key stage 2 will receive a Homework pass for this weeks' homework.

House point winners for this week

HOUSES	Score
St Patrick	165
St Andrew	107
St George	164
St David	230
St John	186
Overall Winner	St David's



House point winners for this half term

HOUSES	Score
St Patrick	1046
St Andrew	744
St George	938
St David	981
St John	859
Overall Winner	St Patrick's

Punctuality & Attendance

POSITION	YEAR	%	Lates
1st	Nur	98.6	5
2nd	1	97.1	2
3rd	3	96.9	2
4th	5	96.7	0
5th	6	96.4	2
6th	Rec	96	6
7th	4	94.6	3
8th	2	91.2	3

Congratulations to all of the children in St Patrick's

They are invited to come into school, wearing their own clothes on

Thursday 12th February

wearing a symbol of Green







Congratulations to Nursery on their 98.6 attendance and Year 1 on their 97.1% attendance!

They will receive 10 minutes extra play

A huge thank you to all the year 6 children that were involved in helping out at parents evening, we were very proud of you.



Important Dates
February & March

Monday 23rd February

8:30 Back to school

Tuesday 24th February

9:00 Prospective Nursery parents tour

- Y5/6 Netball tournament @ Heathland's school

Monday 2nd March

- Scholastic Book fair all week

Thursday 5th March

- World Book day

Friday 6th March

- Author visit celebrating World Book day—Justin Coe

Tuesday 10th March

2:45 Y1 Celebration assembly

Wednesday 11th March

9:00am Play & learn together Nursery & Reception

Thursday 13th March

- CAFOD Big Lenten Walk

Tuesday 17th March

2:45 Y3 Celebration assembly

Wednesday 18th March

9:00am Play & learn together Nursery & Reception

- Y6 Road safety theatre

Thursday 19th March

- Y3&4 Multi skills festival

Friday 20th March

- Red Nose Day

Monday 23rd March

6:00 GB meeting

- Y6 Ancient Greeks workshop

Tuesday 24th March

9:00 Y4&5 Lenten service

Wednesday 25th March

8:50 Achievement assembly

Thursday 26th March

9:00 End of term mass

Friday 27th March

1:00 End of term

Congratulations to our Superstar swimmers this week:



EYFS Cake sale

A big thank you to all the children in EYFS who brought in cakes for their cake sale.

Thank you also to all the children who brought in money to buy a cake.

EYFS raised £ 202

Pen Licence

Congratulations to Giorgio & Arnisa on receiving their pen licences



Poetry by Heart

On Tuesday morning, our school was buzzing with creativity as we held a wonderful poetry assembly. All of our Key Stage One classes performed their whole-class poems, confidently sharing their work with the rest of the school and delighting the audience.

In Key Stage Two, each class selected three standout performers per class to share their poems. These pupils were awarded certificates in recognition of their outstanding performances, and we're excited to announce that an overall class winner will be revealed on the first day back.

These winners will then be entered into the *Poetry by Heart* Classic competition. These pupils will be hoping to earn the incredible opportunity to perform at Shakespeare's Globe Theatre.

A huge well done to everyone involved - the effort, enthusiasm and bravery shown in learning and performing the poems was fantastic to see



Poetry by Heart







Y5 Indus Valley Workshop

To celebrate our learning in our History Topic this half term, Year 5 had an Indus Valley experience afternoon in class on Thursday. The children came into school dressed up and had a wonderful time handling genuine artefacts, making jewellery and other crafts inspired by Indus Valley discoveries and took part in a quiz. The children really enjoyed it and our learning really came alive. The crafts and jewellery the children created looked wonderful too- there was some wonderful craftsmanship on show!

Thank you to all the Year 5 parents for their support in preparing the children for the day. Many of the resources used came out of the Year 5 cake sale profits.







