



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 8th February 2019

UPCOMING EVENTS

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 11th—14th: Dinosaur Topic Week
- **15th February: Whole School Training Day—SCHOOL CLOSED**
- 18th - 22nd February: February Half Term
- 25th February: School Re-Opens
- 27th February: Y4 Skipping Festival
- 27th February: Reconciliation Meeting
- 28th February: Y5 Class Mass
- 5th March: World Book Day (date moved due to Y6 Residential)
- 6th—8th March: Y6 Residential
- 6th March: Ash Wednesday
- 8th March: YRec Class Assembly
- 9th March: Cross Country at Middleton Park

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

FRIDAY 15TH FEBRUARY: SCHOOL CLOSED FOR WHOLE SCHOOL TRAINING DAY. CHILDREN SHOULD NOT COME TO SCHOOL ON THIS DAY.

YEAR RECEPTION ASSEMBLY HAS BEEN MOVED TO FRIDAY 8TH MARCH.

FRIENDS OF ST JOSEPH'S PRESENT THE

PYJAMA PARTY

FRIDAY 15 MARCH, 6:30PM
£3 PER TICKET, INCLUDES POPCORN & DRINK
MOVIES AVAILABLE TO WATCH IN EACH CLASSROOM
MOVIES START AT 6:45PM
REFRESHMENTS & SNACKS AVAILABLE FOR CROWN-UPS IN THE HALL
EVENT OPEN TO PUPILS OF THE SCHOOL ONLY
RECEPTION CLASS CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT

Pyjamas
Movies
Drinks
Popcorn

★★★★★
"BEYOND ALL EXPECTATIONS"
- Mrs Choma

★★★★★
"A 5 STAR PERFORMANCE"
- Mrs Knight

★★★★★
"BEST THING I'VE SEEN IN YEARS"
- Miss Wilkinson

FOSJ PRESENTS...PYJAMA PARTY

Join the Friends of St Josephs and staff as we create a 'Friday Night at the Movies'.

We will be showing different films in each of the classrooms.

The cost is £3 per ticket and includes popcorn and a drink per child.

For the adults, we will be selling a range of drinks and snacks in hall for you to enjoy as you wait.

Tickets will be available at the school office from Monday 11th February.



OUR LADY AND ALL SAINTS—8TH OTLEY BROWNIES

The 8th Otley Brownie pack meets in St Joseph's School each Tuesday of Term time.

The pack is open to all girls between the ages of 7 and 10, and they can join at any age.

The aim of Brownies is to empower girls and build their self-confidence through fun, friendship, challenge and adventure.

We now have room for new members.

If you would like to know more, please

email otleybrownies123@outlook.com or tel Ann Buxton on 0113 2842759

CROSS COUNTRY LEAGUE



Our wonderful Cross Country finalists had a brilliant time at Temple Newsam on Wednesday afternoon! Years 3 and 4 ran a 980m track, and Years 5 and 6 ran a 1350m course.

It was a tough, muddy course and the children ran tremendously well.

Thank you to all the parents for transportation and helping with the day.

WORLD BOOK DAY AND READING MONTH

On **Tuesday 5th March** we will be celebrating World Book Day. We would like to invite the children to dress up as their favourite book character as we take part in a host of book related activities.

Reading Breakfast - On Tuesday 5th March, Tuesday 2nd April and Wednesday 3rd April we welcome you to join us early to enjoy a reading breakfast with your child. You will be welcomed in to school from 8:15 to enjoy a light breakfast and a drink (for a small donation) and to take the opportunity to visit the school library and choose a book to read with your child. Your child can share with you their favourite books at school, how they change their reading books and take the opportunity to have a relaxed start to the morning reading for fun.

Scholastic Book Fair - We are excited to be hosting the scholastic book fair in school for one week from the 20th March to the 27th March. Children will be invited to peruse the book fair during the school day, which will then be available for parents to look at with their children after school. **You can even spend your £1 world day book voucher at the book fair too!**

Class teachers will also organise fun and fascinating activities for their own classes too! March is set to be a very exciting month indeed and we can't wait to get reading.

WORLD
BOOK
DAY

LENT DATES FOR THE DIARY

We will be sending a letter next week detailing the events but here are some dates for the diary.

6th March: Ash Wednesday Mass at 9.30am in church

12th March/19th March/ 26th March/ 2nd April: Toast Tuesdays—25p per slice

15th March: CAFOD Faith Lunch

18th March: YR & KS1 Bun Sale—25p per bun

25th March: KS2 Bun Sale—25p per bun

5th April: Easter Egg Raffle—£1 per raffle ticket

5th April: Mini Vinnies Games Afternoon—20p per game (max £3)

5th April: Whole School Mass at 9.30am in church



SAFER INTERNET DAY

On Tuesday, we took part in Safer Internet Day. The theme of this year's campaign was consent. Throughout school, we talked about different aspects of online life such as;

- Consent/Permission
- Age Appropriate apps/websites
- Online Video Games
- Cyber Bullying
- E-Safety
- Using tablets/phones

We're asking parents and carers to take 5 minutes to talk to their child about their online activity.

If you're looking for useful advice to stay safe online, take a look at the collections from BBC Own It. Topics include vlogging, internet rules and digital consent.



CATHOLIC LIFE OF THE SCHOOL

PRAYER

Blessed Saint Joseph,
holy guardian of [Jesus](#) and Mary,
assist us by your prayers
in all the necessities of life.
Ask of [Jesus](#) that special grace
which He granted to you,
to watch over our home
at the pillow of the sick and the dying,
so that with [Mary](#) and with you,
heaven may find our [family](#) unbroken
in the Sacred Heart of Jesus.
Amen.

OUR LADY & ALL SAINTS CHURCH

MASS TIMES

Saturday Morning: 10am
Saturday Evening Vigil: 6:30pm
Sunday Morning: 9:30am & 11:15am
There is also a weekday morning mass before school at 8:30am each morning except Tuesdays. Please can I encourage parents to take their children to mass on a regular basis and please note that the church is open to parishioners all day long if you wish to spend a few moments in quiet prayer or reflection.

BEATITUDES

In Year 5 this week, they have learnt about the Beatitudes and how the children can use them in their own lives.

They have also looked at the life of St Josephine Bakhita and why she was declared a saint. She helped children in the Orphanage and those in need.

Ruby said, "We can be like St Josephine by forgiving those, who treat us badly."

Year 5 looked at how she was guided by and influenced by God in her life and lived many of the Beatitudes.



SACRAMENT DATES

Sacrament of Confirmation (Y6)

9th & 10th Feb at 2pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

2nd & 9th March

Parents' meeting for 1st Holy Communion (Y4)

13th March at 7:30pm

First Holy Communion 11th May

CATHOLIC LIFE OF THE SCHOOL

Confirmation

This weekend, 23 members of our Year 6 class will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation. We wish them all a very holy and special weekend as they receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit. We are very proud of all of them for their commitment to their faith and the mature approach they have shown in completing the Confirmation course.

All the catechists would like to thank the parents and families for supporting the children in the preparation of this sacrament. We would also like to thank the parents for their very generous and lovely presents - it was very kind.

School-led Mass

Letters have been sent home this week about the next mass in church that the children will be leading. This will be on Sunday 10th March at 9:30am. Last time, we had about 25 children take part - it would be brilliant if we could double it for this Mass!

As a family with God in our hearts, we love, laugh and learn.



CLASS NEWS



YEAR R NEWS

This week YR have been busy learning about doubling numbers. We enjoyed making finger prints then doubling the amount to find the total. They are very good at recalling double facts to 10.

In Literacy this week we have been writing about a Tongo lizard. We thought carefully about what it looks like, where it lives and what it eats.

On Wednesday we enjoyed our music lesson with Mrs Shakespeare. We enjoyed using the xylophone to practice scaling whilst singing our Jack and the Beanstalk song. We also practised pitch matching.



YEAR 1 NEWS

This week in RE, Year One had an exciting trip to the church to visit Fr Lawrie. We were learning all about the features of a church and Fr Lawrie kindly answered all our questions about what we found around the church. We then thought about the different reasons we go to church and then discussed what we liked about going to church.



In English, we wrote about a creature called the Tongo Lizard. We thought about where it came from, what it looks like, and why it might be endangered. Year One had some fantastic ideas to describe the lizard.

In Maths we started our topic of addition and subtraction. At the start of the week we practised adding by counting on, remembering we can swap the addends to make it easier for us. We then did some investigating towards the end of the week, answering the question 'which teen number has the most number bonds?'

In Science, we carried out an investigation to test the properties of different materials. We tested how waterproof different materials were, ensuring we did a fair test. In PE, we practised our underarm and overarm throwing. We discussed when we'd use each type of throw.

In Golden Time we had so much fun doing junk modelling. We created an alien friend for Beegu using recycling materials - we had some very funny looking aliens!

YEAR 2 NEWS

This week in Maths, we have been spending all our money at Miss Hulbert's ice cream parlour. We practised our addition skills by choosing from the menu (and for once we were allowed as many ice creams as we wanted)!

In English, we were given the challenge of writing about the (imaginary) Tongo lizard. This endangered reptile is at risk of becoming extinct. With an introductory paragraph and using sub-headings the children wrote a non-chronological report about the Tongo lizard's appearance, habitat and diet.

On Tuesday, it was Internet Safety Day. We watched a short film about how important it is to be safe when we are using the internet and/or playing online games. It was clear in our group discussion afterwards, that in Year 2 we understand that we must tell a parent, carer or a trusted adult if someone, or something, makes us feel uncomfortable or worried. We designed posters to remind others how to keep safe.

In Art we have enjoyed sketching dinosaurs. We have some very talented artists in Year 2! Don't forget to have fun this weekend creating your own dinosaurs ready for our exciting topic (next week).

On Friday, Year 2 presented an assembly on *People Who Have made A Difference*. We talked about Florence Nightingale, Rosa Parks and Mother Theresa who all had a big impact on the world as we know it. Thank you to all the families who came to watch.



ACTIVE LEARN: A number of children are yet to complete the grammar and spelling homework that has been set on Active Learn. When you have logged on and pressed 'My Stuff,' there is a Grammar and Spelling bug icon, this is where your assigned homework will be. (Please note, if the homework has been opened, but not completed there won't be a number to notify you.) Once homework (like finished books) has been completed, it will go in to the library archive.

YEAR 3 NEWS

In RE this week, Year 3 have been learning about Jesus' miracles and the way Jesus taught people. We made posters about the importance of Jesus' teaching; why we should believe in him and why his teachings are still important today.

One of our favourite quotes from the bible readings was "Love one another as I have loved you." John 15:12. We linked this to today because we know that Jesus is part of us and if we love one another we are loving Jesus.

In Maths, we have been developing our knowledge of dividing a 2 digit number by a 1 digit number. We used practical equipment to see what was happening when we divide a number. We then carefully and neatly represented this in our books. We are looking forward to being able to divide with remainders next week.

In Science, we really enjoying learning about different skeletons; we know about endoskeletons, exoskeletons and hydro static skeletons. We grouped different animals, insects and mammals into the different types of skeletons.



YEAR 4 NEWS

In Maths, we have been exploring division with remainders. The children were using their place value knowledge to share the tens and units and exchange tens to find the remainders. It needed a lot of concentration to achieve neat layout and accuracy.

In English, we have been thinking and talking about Lizards. The children have been using their general knowledge to produce a piece of information writing about an imaginary species of Lizard.

In P.E, we have played handball games and continued to rehearse our skipping skills and skipping dance in preparation for the Year 4 Skipping Festival after the holidays. "I think the best part of our dance is when some children are doing special moves and the rest of the class are skip-running around the outside" suggested Poppy.



YEAR 5 NEWS

This week Year 5 have been working hard to find equivalent fractions. Many of us have managed to progress from using different models and diagrams to being able to find them just using our knowledge of times tables. Some of us have also managed to apply our new knowledge to reasoning and problem solving problems and have been able to share our knowledge to help others in the class.

In Music this week, we had lots of fun learning about rap and how to perform raps. We had a practise before writing our own entertaining rap about food. We are ready to make our dinosaur raps next week!

For Safer Internet Day we examined the idea of 'permission' and how important it is to make sure you both give and ask for permission to do something in the right way. We performed some role plays where it was obvious permission (or consent) had not been given and how we could re-write the scenario so it showed how we should have permission. We also thought about games and apps that request permission to do certain actions and what we would need to do to be safe at those times. We finished the session off by thinking more generally how to stay safe online and how we need to tell a trusted adult if we are ever unsure about anything online.



YEAR 6 NEWS

On Wednesday, we had our special Class Mass; the theme was Bread of Life. All the children read and sang beautifully. Thank you to all of the parents, family members and friends who were able to join us. Thank you to Father Lawrie for leading us in our worship.

In Year 6 this week, we have continued our science topic about the human body. This week, we linked our work to our PSHE work and were finding out about the risks of different drugs.

Bikeability - A reminder that Year 6 will be doing Bikeability next week. All children will need to bring their bikes and helmets to school on Monday unless they have requested to borrow one. On Monday, children will need to wear warm clothes suitable for riding their bikes, NOT school uniform. If it is raining on Monday, the children may need to bring a change of clothing. They will then need to wear non-uniform on the other day that they are completing the bikeability course.





AWARDS



GOLDEN TABLE

Alex (YR), Amelia (Y2), Lexie (Y3), Harry (Y6)



SUNSHINE AWARDS

**HARRY (YR), SAM H (Y1), MIKEY (Y2),
MIA (Y3), ORLA (Y4), ARCHIE C (Y5), ELLIE (Y6)**



MATHEMATICIAN OF THE WEEK AWARDS

**RUBY (YR), REUBEN (Y1), ASA (Y2)
DANIEL (Y3), EUAN (Y4), PADDY (Y5), JESSICA (6)**



SPORTING EVENTS



Upcoming Events

Y4 Skipping Festival: 27th February at Cardinal Heenan

Cross Country League: 9th March at Middleton Park



MASSES & ASSEMBLIES



Spring Term 2	Class Mass	Class Assembly
Thurs Feb 28 th	Y5	
Wed Mar 6 th	Ash Wednesday Mass @ 9.30am	
Fri Mar 8 th		YR
Thurs Mar 14 th	Y4	
Fri Mar 15 th		Y1
Tues Mar 19 th	St Joseph's Day Mass @ 9.30am	
Fri Mar 22 nd		Y6
Wed Mar 27 th	KS1 – Y1 Lead @ 9.30am	
Fri Mar 29 th		Y3
Fri Apr 5 th	Whole School Mass @ 9.30am	