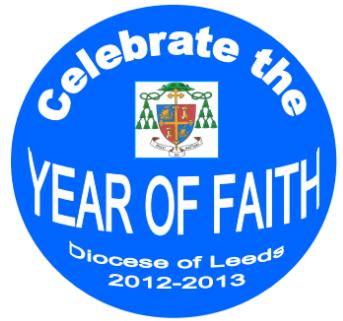


ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 16 November 2012



NON-UNIFORM DAY

MONDAY 19TH NOVEMBER
WILL BE A NON-UNIFORM
DAY. INSTEAD CHILDREN
ARE ASKED TO BRING IN A
NEW TOY PRIZE FOR THE TOY
TOMBOLA AT THE AUTUMN
FAIR.

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.



YEAR OF FAITH²⁰¹²₂₀₁₃

2012 Poppy Appeal

Thank you all for your generous donations. The appeal this year raised £71.35 for this very worthy cause.

Parish Autumn Fair

A reminder that this will be held on Saturday 24th November, 2.00—4.00pm.

There will be a variety of stalls and attractions including a 'Red' stall, toy tombola, bottle stall, cake stall, chocolate fountain, café, a 'New to you' stall and much more.

Please leave any donations for the fair at the back of church, thank you!

The children in Year 3 and 4 will soon be making models of volcanoes as part of our topic work on The Active Planet. In order that all can enjoy making and ultimately exploding their volcanoes please could your child bring into school a small plastic bottle with a tapering neck and lots and lots of old newspapers by Friday 23rd November.

Thank you,

Mrs Patterson and Mrs Heatley

THIS WEEK SUNSHINE AWARDS :

**Ned (Rec), Daniel (Y1), Henry (Y2),
Bailey (Y3), Hugo (Y4), Isla (Y5) &
Declan (Y6)**

The School Christmas Disco is 7th December - Brought to you by The Friends of St Joseph's:

The **KS1** disco will be from 3.30pm – 4.45pm. Please note that a parent or guardian MUST stay with Reception children. Please send in £2 with your child and a change of clothes if they would like to come along. They can change at 3.15pm into their disco clothes and the entrance fee will be collected as they go into the disco. Whilst the entrance fee includes crisps, glow stick, drink and also sweets when leaving, there will be a tuck shop selling sweets, glow sticks, glow earrings and glow bracelets on the night. Please send in extra money with your child if they would like to purchase any of these items. The cost of the 'glowing' items will be between 50p and £1 each. At the end of the disco, please collect your child/ren from the school hall, ensuring that you 'check out' with the ladies on the door.

The **KS2** disco will take place from 5pm – 6.00pm. Again, the entrance fee will be £2 to include crisps, glow stick, a drink and also sweets when leaving. The tuck shop will be open for purchases of sweets and glow items and more pocket money will be required if the children would like to purchase any of these items. Please drop off and collect your child/ren from the school hall, 'checking in and out' with the ladies on the door. Thank you. If you are available to assist on the evening – particularly at the KS2 Disco – please put your name on the rota in the entrance area.

Christmas Fayre Café – held in school on **Saturday 24th November**, 2pm–4pm, please come along. FOSJ will be running the cafe so if you can offer any help with either baking or serving on the day please let us know, there is a rota in the school office.

Science Fair at Otley Courthouse—Saturday 17th November
Thank you to all the parents who have offered to come along with their help & support on Saturday. The children have been fine tuning their science experiments all week and are raring to go!

We hope to see as many familiar faces as last year popping in to say 'hello'!

YEAR 6 ST. MARY'S FOOTBALL LEAGUE

My sincere apologies to all the children and parents who turned up to play a match football at St.Mary's School on Monday night only to find the other team had not turned up. We have received an apology from the other school and they have now forfeited the game. Our next two games will be on **Monday 26th November** and **Monday 10th December**.

Mrs Harvey

Y3 & Y4 Trip to Magna

Please return your child's consent form as soon as possible for the impending trip to Magna. If you do not have a letter, please call into the office.

Robinwood
A reminder that the next instalment of £35 for Robinwood is due by Friday 23rd November. Cheques should be made payable to St Joseph's School. Thank you.

NETBALL

The last Netball session for this half term will be on Thursday 22nd November as the following week there is a Key Stage One Multi skills Festival and after that it will be getting too dark, cold and wet to play (Mrs Harvey doesn't do the cold!!!) Netball will then resume in the Spring term.

On the Golden Table: Clement (Y6), Meredith (Y1), Tia (Y3) & Ella (Rec)

Dinner Money due for this half-term is as follows:

Rec—Y4 = £62.70, Y5 & Y6 = £64.35

Payment in cash or by cheque made payable to Leeds City Council.

Ladies Christmas Shopping Night TONIGHT!!!! - 7 till 10pm

Tickets are still available at the office—£2.50 each, alternatively you can pay on the door!

There will be a bar, complimentary canapes and the opportunity to buy an assortment of wares for Christmas including shoes, boots, handbags, accessories, jewellery, trinket boxes, gifts, toiletries, Christmas crafts & cards, etc as well as the chance to pamper yourself with a back massage. Also new for this year is handmade modern ladies clothing with a vintage twist!

Lots of bargains promised!

Please note that there will be **NO ASSEMBLY next Friday (23rd November)** due to other activities taking place in school for all year groups.

YEAR 2 UPDATE

This week in Literacy we have been writing explanations about different toys using sub-headings. In our IPC topic, we have started our technology work and have designed a model vehicle, if anyone has any small empty food boxes at home these will be gratefully received so we can use them to make our models. In science, we have been looking at natural and manufactured materials. Next Friday, we will be making collages using natural materials eg leaves, twigs, flowers, leather, wool etc. Please can each child in Year 2 bring in a bag of natural materials to use for their collage? Thank you.

Writer of the Week:

This week's Writer's Awards went to: Edie (Rec), Freya (Y1), Beatrice (Y2), Isabel (Y3), Callum F (Y4), William (Y5) & Declan (Y6)



To start our ICT this week in Year 1 we have been finding things that can be controlled. We searched around school and took photographs of things that we control to work. In PE we have been exploring the music of The Nutcracker and creating movement to reflect toys. We pretended to be toys on the shelf of The Magic Toymaker and when the lights went off we came to life. We had to move just like the toy we had chosen to be. Take a look at the photograph of us as toys. In music we have been creating sounds to reflect different toys considering the dynamics and quality of the sounds. Miss Davis

Leeds Abbey Dash Junior 2K Race!

The Leeds Abbey Dash is now in it's 28th year and this time there is a race just for juniors!

A great opportunity to make friends, keep fit, and raise money for grandparents via Age UK.

The Junior 2km challenge starts at 9am on **18th November 2012** for 8-15 year olds. To sign children up please call John Burtt on 0800 169 8787, or email john.burtt@ageuk.org.uk. There is a £6.00 entry fee which can be paid by credit/debit card.

Here's to happy and healthy children in Yorkshire!

Otley Lights Switch On!

If your child is singing on Monday evening for the grand 'switch on' of the Otley Christmas Lights, please ensure that they arrive in the market place in school uniform by 5.50pm. The Brownlee Brothers will be switching on the lights—a flyer for the event will accompany this newsletter received via email.



CHRISTMAS LUNCH IN SCHOOL
THURSDAY 13TH DECEMBER

IF YOUR CHILD USUALLY HAS A PACKED LUNCH BUT WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A SCHOOL CHRISTMAS DINNER ON THURS 13TH DECEMBER PLEASE LET SCHOOL KNOW BY FRIDAY 30TH NOVEMBER.

PLEASE DIG OUT THEIR 'SANTA HATS' AND 'REINDEER ANTLERS' TO WEAR ON THE DAY TO MAKE THE OCCASION EXTRA FESTIVE!

PLEASE CALL INTO THE OFFICE TO ORDER AND PAY FOR THEIR MEAL.
PRICES: REC-Y4: £1.90, Y5 & Y6: £1.95

Key Stage 1 Mass

Year 2 led us in a beautiful mass in church yesterday. Each and every child that took part did a fantastic job and were a credit to the school. Reception & Year 1 contributed greatly with their wonderful singing and the overall behaviour of our children has to be commended. They all acted as great ambassadors for our school. Thank you to so many parents, carers, friends & relatives who came along to support the children. Well done to everyone!

Mrs Knight

We still have a large number of children arriving in school without a coat. Please ensure that your child brings a coat with them each day.

A reminder that the gate on the KS2 playground is now back in use for dropping off and collecting from school following the building work on Clitherow House.