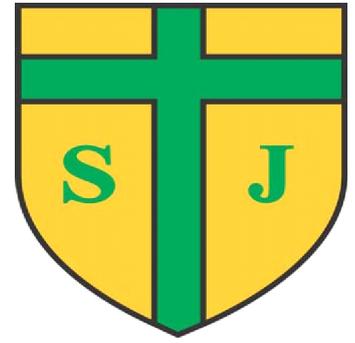


**ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC
PRIMARY SCHOOL OTLEY,
A VOLUNTARY ACADEMY
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**



Friday 21st April 2017

Y5 AND Y6 RUGBY

On Thursday afternoon 12 children from year 5 and 6 attended a rugby festival at Guiseley Rangers RC.

Everyone played really well and we ended up coming second in our group!

We then entered the play offs. It was a very close and tense game, unfortunately we lost by one point in the last minute.

Everyone played outstandingly and made St Joseph's proud!



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.

DATE FOR THE DIARY

First Holy Communion

Saturday 13th May 2017



Donations of cakes are needed so that refreshments can be provided to the families of the children making their First Holy Communion.

Please could anyone who wishes to donate cakes (home-made or shop bought) leave them in the school office on Friday 12th May. If anyone has any cake stands to lend that would be great

It is traditional for the parents of the children who made their Communion last year to help provide refreshments for the families after mass this year.

Please could any year 4 parents wishing to help be at school by 11am on Saturday 13th May.

WE NEED YOU FOR OUR CHOIR!

We need children to volunteer to be part of our choir to beautifully sing on this very special day. If you are able to attend then please let Miss Wilkinson or your class teacher know asap.

Many thanks.

FOSJ QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 5th May 2017.

From 7.30pm

Grown ups only!

Tickets will cost £5 per person and will include a chilli supper.

Following the success of Bingo Night, FOSJ are back with a fun-filled quiz night. You don't have to be part of a team to come along, however we do welcome teams. Get ready to test your general knowledge whilst raising funds for a fantastic cause. All proceeds from the evening will go towards providing more play equipment for the children.

Tickets are now available from the Office.

However, please note that you can pay on the door.



Many thanks, FOSJ.

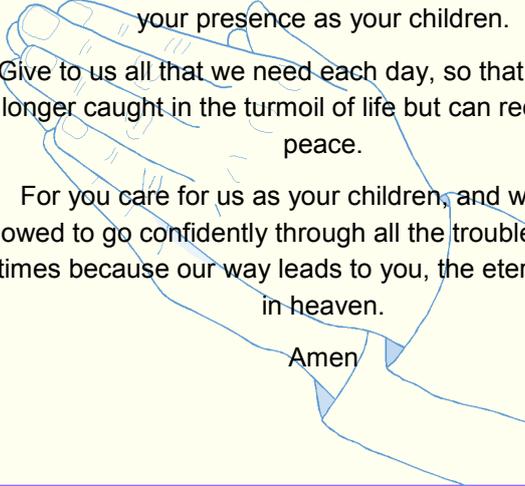
THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Dear Father in heaven, grant that we may come into your presence as your children.

Give to us all that we need each day, so that we are no longer caught in the turmoil of life but can receive your peace.

For you care for us as your children, and we are allowed to go confidently through all the troubles of these times because our way leads to you, the eternal Father in heaven.

Amen



AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS



Please note that new staff-led afterschool clubs will start the week commencing 24th April.

These will run for 11 weeks and will be charged at £2 per session.

Inspiration Tree and NTX Taekwondo will continue as normal. Please contact them directly if you have any questions.

If you have any questions or cannot access the parents evening system then please don't hesitate to contact the office. Many thanks.

PARENT PAY

Please can all parents/carers check their Parent Pay account and make any outstanding payments. There are payments due for after-school clubs, music lessons, residential trips, and Dinner Money.

Please could we ask that **Dinner Money balances do not go over 2 weeks (£23.00) in arrears.**



Many Thanks for your continued support; if you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Wilkinson or the Office Staff.

Thank you.

DATE FOR THE DIARY

ST JOSEPH'S AQUATHON

We are pleased to announce that we will be holding a School Aquathon on Tuesday 18th July 2016. Details to follow but keep the date free. This event will take place during school time and we look forward to providing more information soon!



SUMMER UNIFORM

Please note that children should now be wearing summer uniform.

Thank you

BUILDING WORK



Big thanks to all the builders, plumbers, electricians, painters etc who invested time and effort into designing our wonderful new entrance extension.

DANCING AT THE OTLEY MAYPOLE

Monday May 1st 2017 from 2 to 4 pm

The Buttercross Belles, a local team of Morris dancers, invite parents to bring their children to help us celebrate May Day in the traditional way by dancing round the Maypole at Cross Green in Otley.

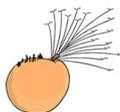
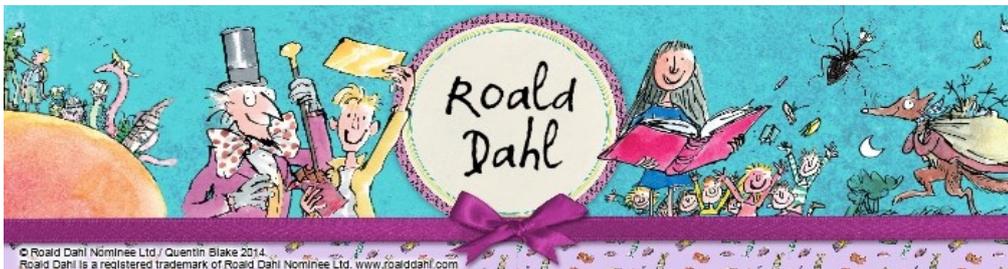
There will be a few demonstration dances followed by opportunities for children, parents and grandparents, friends and neighbours to join in dances with ribbons around Otley's historic Maypole.

We hope you can join us.

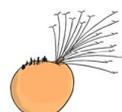
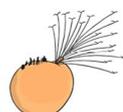
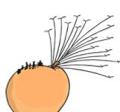
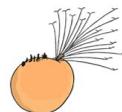


For more information contact:

secretary@buttercrossbelles.com



We have had a wonderful week exploring the world of Roald Dahl. He has influenced our curriculum, we have been creating graphs, poetry, adverts, character descriptions amongst other activities. Each class had a wonderful time retelling Roald Dahl stories through dance. Every class created a dance sequence using mime and action and performed to their peers. We also created scenery and props in preparation for Otley Carnival.





Class News



Year 2 News

Year 2 have had a fun Roald Dahl Topic week. We have been writing and singing Oompa Loompa songs, filling Mr Wonka shapes with spellings and describing our favourite characters. Orla exclaimed, "I loved making Oompa Loompa puppets using cardboard and split pins. I loved that we could move them about!".

In Maths, we are very excited about our new sweet shop and introducing the idea of adding money and finding change.

Our Roald Dahl art workshop has created an amazing golden gate and other props for the carnival. Millie explained, "We also made some cardboard lollipops, wonka bars, and golden tickets to use in the Carnival. My favourite part of this week was the dance workshop because I loved pretending to be a sweet machine".



However, the most exciting part of the week was creating actual, real chocolate lollipops!

Year 3 News

We have had a very busy week in Year 3 this week for our Roald Dahl topic week. We have been designing our own sweet machines using adjectives and adverbs. We then went back through our work to improve our writing, Roald Dahl would have been proud!

In Maths, we have been looking at fractions of shapes and moved onto equivalent fractions over the past couple of days. Most of us found these quite tricky but we all tried our best and we got it in the end.

Last but not least, we have been making real life sweet machines out of cardboard and paint and lots of yummy treats from Charlie and the Chocolate Factory for our Friday showcase and the Otley Carnival in a few weeks time.



Year 1 News

We have loved exploring the fabulous world of Roald Dahl this week. We enjoyed painting our sweets ready for the carnival. Lexie explained, "I painted mine a rainbow colour and I thought it looked good enough to eat!". We wrote alternative endings to The Enormous Crocodile following our wonderful dance workshop.

We also designed crocodile traps to catch The Enormous Crocodile who kept trying to eat the children. "I thought he was mean but I was glad the children didn't use him as a see-saw!" noted Joseph.



Year R News

We have had a very busy week in Reception and have all thoroughly enjoyed our Roald Dahl week. In Literacy, we have been reading 'The Enormous Crocodile'. We loved the story and using dance and action to retell the story in our workshop.

We have been writing a character description of the crocodile. Asa described the crocodile as 'mean' while Daniel wrote he is 'green and snappy'.

Here we are enjoying the dance workshop



Year 4 News



We have had a very exciting Roald Dahl week in Year 4. Our favourite part of the week has to be on Thursday when we entered the inventing room of Willy Wonka's factory and designed our own exciting sweets with lots of unique and wonderful properties.

"My sweet is chocolate and when you eat it it goes from white chocolate to milk chocolate to dark chocolate," explained Pierre. We loved being able to eat lots of different sweets too! Some we loved, some we did not!

"I really didn't like the cough candy!" Eliza said with a grimace.

"Really? It was my favourite!" said Freddie!

We worked really hard on creating on a boat designed to carry us down the chocolate river and filmed adverts using persuasion techniques to sell our sweets.

Year 6 News

In Year 6, we have had a busy week. We began the week taking part in a dance workshop based on the BFG. Part of the performance included mime, dance and creating freeze frames relating to the story. We really enjoyed letting our creative juices flow.

In English, we wrote a CV for different Roald Dahl characters— thinking about their skills and attributes. This will be a very useful skill for when we finally enter the world of employment.

On Wednesday, we led a lovely start of term whole school Mass. We reflected on all we have achieved so far and how lucky we are for everything we have.

Finally, we are preparing hard for our upcoming SATS. We have focused on lots of Maths, reading and grammar.



Year 5 News



Year 5 were visited by two firefighters from Otley fire station on Wednesday afternoon. They talked about fire safety, the importance of smoke alarms, what to do in the event of fire and hoax emergency calls. It was very interesting and we had a lot of questions! They also brought their fire fighting kit which Heather tried on!

This week we have also enjoyed making Charlie and the Chocolate Factory props for the carnival. We have certainly shown our creative sides! We loved writing our pieces of descriptive writing, pretending our classroom was edible, which was really fun but made us hungry!



There will be no Golden Table this week.

Normal service will resume next week!

Mrs Webster and the lunchtime staff



Sunshine Awards goes to:

Phoebe (YR), Lexie (Y1), Leila (Y2),
Archie H (Y3), Monty (Y4), Raj (Y5), Aleks (Y6)

Maths Awards goes to:

Daniel (YR), Eva (Y1), Edward (Y2),
Ava (Y3), Hattie (Y4), Teagan (Y5), Anna (Y6)



Class Masses, Assemblies & other Diary Dates

Summer Term 1	Class Mass	Class Assembly
April 20 th	Whole School Mass	
April 27 th	Year 6	
May 12 th		Year 4
May 18 th	Year 3	
May 20 th		Year 3
May 26 th		Year R
Summer Term 2	Class Mass	Class Assembly
June 8 th	Year 6	
June 9 th		Year 2
June 14 th	Year 4	
June 16 th		Year 5
June 23 rd		Year 1
June 29 th	Whole school mass	
July 6 th	Year 5	
July 13 th	KS1 in church. Led by YR	
July 21 st	Whole school Mass	