ST JOHN THE BAPTIST RCP SCHOOL

Headteacher's Note

Weekly Newsletter
Friday 5th November 2021



Dear Parents / Carers

Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn term. After this week I think we can all say that winter has definitely arrived. In the junior end of the building it has been very cold this week as we have been awaiting a key part for our junior boiler for two weeks now and the mini heaters are not sufficient. We have additional heaters arriving on Monday morning as a failsafe in case the engineers can't get the heat up to standard.

Hopefully our boiler will be prepared this evening or over the weekend and we should be back to normal for next week in Key Stage 2 and Year 2. I apologise for the inconvenience and was just relieved that we have managed to avoid a school closure.

BONFIRE NIGHT

Children get very excited in the lead up to bonfire night and I hope they all have a fun and above all safe time.

Our reception children had an early start to their bonfire night celebrations with a bonfire this morning in our outdoor classroom area in the secret garden which they thoroughly enjoyed.



PARENTS EVENING

Our annual Autumn term parents evening **will be held virtually** next week due to high Covid-19 rates in this area.

A link should have now been received for you to book your preferred time slot.

Reception Wednesday 10th November 1.30-2.45pm

Wednesday 10th November All classes 3.45pm– 5.15pm (including Reception)

Thursday 11th November All classes 5.00pm—7.00pm (including Reception)

Congratulations!

VIPS THIS WEEK

Year R	Reggie Coyne
Year 1	Sienna Baker
Year 2	Arlie Pilling
Year 3	Kai Southern
Year 4	William Lord-Fallows
Year 5	Thomas Grace
Year 6	Harvey Savage



Writer of the Week



Year R	Lily-Mae Stirzaker
Year 1	Ria Green
Year 2	Luke Cavanagh
Year 3	Mia Clarke
Year 4	Beatrix Caine
Year 5	Harry Atkinson
Year 6	Mollie Brelsford

Achievements!



Here are some of our wonderful children showing their out of school achievements. Well done to Toby for his Kickboxing trophy, Iris for her dancing awards, Felicity for her gymnastics certificate, Rosie for her dancing trophy and Ava for her swimming certificate. Well done everyone!



GIFT TEAM

Here is our wonderful school GIFT team in their brand new jumpers. They look very smart indeed as they continue to fulfil their important role in promoting our school ethos to our school family and the wider community.

GOLDEN BOOK WINNERS

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Year 6	Jayden Sinclair, Libby Mount, Finlay Clarke
Year 5	Charlie Maudsley, Sophie Metcalfe, Oscar Clarke
Year 4	Hannah Ramshead, Helaina Beresford, Henry-Jack Crossley
Year 3	Emilia Lockett, Ava-Rose Ramsbottom, Joshua Mills
Year 2	Jake Woodcock, Aaliya Barry, Heidi Mansell
Year 1	Eryn Brelsford, Robyn Southall, Callum Blunn
Reception	Benedict Dalton, Benjamin Robinson, Isla Morley



CLASS DOJO WINNERS



Year 1	**Lochlan Morris, Heidi Meehan, Eryn Brelsford, Toby Rushton, Pippa Walmsley**
Year 2	**Miley Stowe, Alastair Dalton, Martha Inckle, Aaliya Barry, Luke Cavanagh, Ocean Sinclair**
Year 3	**Oliver Potrykus, Emilia Lockett, Brooklyn Thompson, Emily Baines, Owen Veitch**
Year 4	**Ruby Thompson, Rafael Pinto, Jamieleigh Brooks, William Lord-Fallows, Theo Leach**
Year 5	**Charlie Maudsley, Mason Pomfret, Holly Mackey, Harvey Boswell, Max Mannion**
Year 6	**Logan Brown, Keevah Wallace, Leo Earnshaw, Erin-Grace Whittle, George Gardner, Oliver Sharples**

Taking care of your Mental Health.

The "Taking Care of your Mental Health" page on our website has been updated with some new activities and information. This can be found under the "Children" tab or via the following link;

https://www.st-john.lancs.sch.uk/taking-care-of-your-mental-health/



RECEPTION VISION SCREENING

If you have a child in Reception, they will be taking part in the NHS Vision Screening programme on Thursday 25th November. This is done during school time. Letters have gone home this week with an "OPT OUT" form. Please only complete this if you DO NOT wish your child to have their vision screening.

If you would like further information or have not received the OPT OUT form, please contact the school office.

Thank you.

FLU IMMUNISATIONS

The school nursing team will be coming in to school on

Wednesday 17th November

to deliver the Flu Immunisations to those who have returned the green consent form.

If you require a new form, please ask at the office.

Christmas Cards

Your child will have brought home their sample Christmas card that they have designed. If you would like to place an order, please return the order payment form to school by Wednesday 17th November

BAGS FOR SCHOOL

We will soon be collecting clothes for bags for schools. Details regarding dropping off clothes will follow shortly.

ATTENDANCE

Every School Day Counts

0 days off school	100%	Perfection
Equates to 2 days off school each year	99%	Excellent
Equates to 5 days off school each year	97%	Good
Equates to 10 days off school each year	95%	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Concerned
Equates to 30 days off school each year	85%	Very Concerned

5 days absence over the whole year
97% - 100%
Good chance of success and progress

20 days absence over the whole year
90%
Less chance of success. Harder to make progress

20+ days absence over the whole year
Under 90%
Detrimental to success and progress

Every Minute Counts

LATENESS = LOST LEARNING
(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

5 Minutes late each day	**3** days lost!
10 Minutes late each day	**6.5** days lost!
15 Minutes late each day	**10** days lost!
20 Minutes late each day	**13** days lost!
30 Minutes late each day	**19** days lost!

Be at the classroom on time and ready to learn!

DIWALI WEEK

This week we have been celebrating Diwali week and were lucky enough to be visited by West End in Schools, who delivered some fantastic Diwali Dance Workshops for us.
















The
Festival
of Light



Our Poppy Display



Our classes have been busy making poppies for our whole school Remembrance display on the corridor to commemorate past and present soldiers during November.









Our Year 5 pupils have been selected to represent our school/parish for Armistice Day at St Leonards Church next week. They will join representatives from other Padiham schools, The British Legion and our Padiham council to mark this special service to remember all the soldiers who gave their lives for the freedom of our country.