WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 20th September 2019

Dear Parent/carer



I am delighted to tell you that the Bethany Choir are once again touring the UK and we have managed to book them into visit and preform for us on 19th November 9.15am. The choir is formed from orphans living in a children's home in Tanzania and they tour the UK every few years. I would like to invite parents and parishioners to join us for their performance which I guarantee will be both moving and inspirational

Charity Events this half term will be:

Friday 27th September our Chaplaincy gift team have organised a coffee morning to raise money for Macmillan Cancer charity.

Friday 4th October Harvest Fast Day - bring an item of food to donate to the local food bank.

Monday 7th October Operation Christmas Child, fill a shoe box to send overseas.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 23rd September

Parent Governors nominations to be returned by 12 noon

Friday 27th September 2.30 pm

Year 4 Class Assembly

Friday 27th September 10.00 am

Gift team coffee morning

Tuesday 1st October

PTA Calendar Photo's (children to wear their team coloured t-shirt)

Tuesday 1st October 7.00 pm

St Augustine's Presentation Evening at St John's Y5 & 6 parents



Thursday 3rd October 6.30 pm

St Augustine's Open Evening

Friday 4th October 9.15 am

Seeds & Gardeners Liturgy

Week Beginning Monday 16 September VIP

Reception	Harriet Entwistle
Year 1	Vincent Wigley
Year 2	Kian Judge
Year 3	Seb Gibb
Year 4	Finley Clarke
Year 5	Olivia Greenwood
Year 6	Caitlin Simonds



Week Beginning Monday 16 September Writer of the week

Year 1	Brooklyn Thompson
Year 2	Helena Beresford
Year 3	Oscar Clarke
Year 4	Freya Spence
Year 5	Theo Thompson
Year 6	Gianfranco Cozzolino



MENU

Monday	BBQ Chicken Melt / Ham Grab Bag/ Jacket Vegetarian Brunch
Tuesday	Jumbo Fish Finger Wrap/ Chicken Korma/ Jacket Cheese Grab Bag
Wednesday	Roast Pork/Tuna Grab Bag/Jacket/ Tomato Pasta
Thursday	Burger/Cheese Whirl / Ham Grab Bag/Jacket
Friday	Fish Goujons/Pizza/Cheese Grab Bag/Jacket

Packed Lunches

As a healthy school we promote healthy eating, drinking and exercise across all areas of the curriculum. Whilst our kitchen staff are going to extreme lengths to provide a healthy balanced meal for the children each day, to reduce sugar and salts, I can't say the same balance is seen in our packed lunches. Please make every effort to ensure your child's packed lunch supports our healthy school status, see below for some ideas of what to put into a packed lunch.

Do's

SANDWICHES YOGHURT WRAPS
SOUP IN A MINI FLASK
DESSERT NO MORE THAN 100 CALORIES



Don'ts's

NO FIZZY DRINKS
NO CHOCOLATE
NO SALTY FOODS



SEEDS AND GARDENERS

Today our Year 6 were introduced to their seeds. They have had a lovely afternoon exploring the children's special all about me boxes. To say that there was an air of excitement this afternoon was an understatement. We look forward to presenting our new Seeds and Gardeners to our school community on Friday 4th October at 9.15am. We pray that their friendship bonds are blessed and that both Seeds and Gardeners will equally support each other on their first and final year at St John's, making it a magical and memorable year.



Data Sheets

Polite reminder, can all data sheets be returned to the school office as soon as possible for our records

Flu Vaccinations

Reception to Year 6

Please return your completed vaccination forms as soon as possible, Thank you

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME YEAR 3 PUPILS

As you know our Sacramental Programme is led by Catechists in the Parish by Mrs Cathy Schofield & Mrs Theresa Wood. Recently the Diocese have made changes to the programme and only the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Holy Communion are received during the primary phase. Fr Allan is hoping to take a short break in October and therefore the programme will not begin until November 20th this year.



PROVISIONAL DATES FOR THE SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME ARE :

Introductory meeting 7th November 7.00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation 19th March 7.00 pm

First Holy Communion 14th June 2.30p.m

As we have four primary schools attached to our Parish of St John Paul II the dates have to be agreed by everyone and that is why they are still provisional. At the welcome meeting parents will be given a confirmed schedule for the year . As part of the programme there will be about five training sessions for the pupils held at school. There will be three parent meetings in different Churches of the Parish. Children and their families will be presented to the Parish and then asked to attend six monthly Masses and finally attend the two celebrations where the children will receive the Sacraments.

If your child is an older year group and has not yet received these sacraments and would like to. Please let me know as this can be easily accommodated. You as a family have chosen to send your child to a Catholic school, we therefore expect that all of our Baptised pupils will finally engage and commit to this programme as our Catholic school is here predominately to serve its Catholic families and promote our faith and distinctive values

Year 6 Parents

Decision time! All parents should be looking at Secondary school choices for their child. The deadline for applications is 31st October for faith schools, you must submit 2 applications.

1. Online applications www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools
2. Supplementary admissions from to be returned to the high school

Please note we will collect and pass on supplementary forms to both Blessed Trinity & St Augustines, if you drop them into me at the school office.

