

# SJF NEWS

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## ★ Citizen of the Week

★ This week's 'Citizen of the Week' award goes to **Sanaya** in **Y2** who instinctively understands the importance of peace in line with this week's 'Statement to Live By'. Sanaya is a very thoughtful member of our community; sharing what she has willingly with friends and classmates. This might be resources; her knowledge and support; or just her time, if a friend needs her to listen. By doing these simple things well, Sanaya brings such peace to different situations. She has really impressed us all with her warmth and generosity of spirit. By giving as freely as she does, she sets a wonderful example to others, day in and day out, very quietly and without any fuss. Congratulations Sanaya, we are all very proud of you!

## Term 5 Smiley Scores

<b>St Andrew's House</b>  <b>398</b>	<b>St David's House</b>  <b>423</b>	<b>St Patrick's House</b>  <b>442</b>	<b>St George's House</b>  <b>421</b>
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## Congratulations

Congratulations to the following **Y2** pupils who have each earned 100 smilies: Aureilia, Charlie, Jacob, Rebecca, Sanaya, and Scarlett. We are very proud of you all!

Attendance this Week			
1 <sup>st</sup>	Y1	A virtual visit from Bobby Bear	99.7%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Y4	A virtual visit from Brenda Bear	99.0%
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Y6	A virtual visit from Elvis the Owl	97.3%
4 <sup>th</sup>	Y2		96.3%
4 <sup>th</sup>	Y5		96.3%
6 <sup>th</sup>	Y3		95.6%
7 <sup>th</sup>	FS2		94.5%
Average Attendance = 96.9% (Target = 98%)			



Get Set, GO!		
1 <sup>st</sup>	Y2	95%
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Y6	93%
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Y4	91%
4 <sup>th</sup>	Y1	89%
5 <sup>th</sup>	FS2	88%
6 <sup>th</sup>	Y5	71%
7 <sup>th</sup>	Y3	70%
Average = 85%		

## Golden Children

FS2	<b>Chloe</b> for using such good vocabulary when she talks and for being such a good friend to others!
Y1	<b>Chenai</b> for being a super role-model for all children! Chenai always does the right thing and is so well behaved and kind to all her friends! We are so lucky to have Chenai in our class!
Y2	<b>Olivia</b> for trying to do her best in class and giving everything she does 100% effort, making us all very proud!
Y3	<b>Sammy</b> for making a great effort in all lessons and for trying his very best to remain focused on the task at hand so that he can produce some brilliant work! Well done, and keep it up!
Y4	<b>Jacob</b> for always giving 100%, even if he finds something difficult. This has been noticed with his handwriting because he has been making huge efforts to improve the presentation of his work!
Y5	<b>Caleb</b> for consistently producing work of a fantastic quality and for always working hard to improve in every area of the curriculum! Well done superstar!
Y6	<b>Leon</b> for asking great questions and for trying really hard to lead his own learning! Keep it up!





### Writing Champions

FS2	<b>Enzo</b> for trying really hard to make the size his letters smaller! Well done superstar!
Y1	<b>Charlotte</b> for writing with increasing confidence, meaning that she is making good progress! Everyone is so proud of! She is now willing to have a go, all on her own, and we just cannot stop her writing!
Y2	<b>Keyla</b> for writing a wonderful letter as if it was from St Paul in our RE lessons! Well done, Keyla!
Y3	<b>Willow</b> for making a fantastic effort in English and a great start to a creative writing story that was utterly gripping and exciting from the very first line!
Y4	<b>Priscilla</b> for writing a great piece about the life of Saul, who went on to become Paul the apostle. She used a variety of really descriptive language, well done!
Y5	<b>Ruby</b> for producing an excellent piece of diary writing from the point-of-view of a Victorian child!
Y6	<b>Caitlin</b> for writing a fantastic non-chronological report. It was a brilliant presentation of her factual knowledge, well done superstar!

### SJF School Council News



This week the council met with Mr MacInnes in order to discuss further their plans for fundraising in school. They learnt about the importance of Parliament and the history behind the democratic process of the United Kingdom.

Here's a word from one of our Y6 councilors on what was discussed.

***"This week we learnt about Parliament and how it's made up of the House of Commons, House of Lords and the monarch. We also found out about general elections – how they take place roughly every five years and how you have to be over eighteen to vote for a member of Parliament. It was really interesting!"***

Jacob, Secretary

### Transition Reminder: All Saints Catholic High School

Letters have already been sent to parents/carers of Y6 children transferring to All Saints Catholic High School in September 2021, notifying them about transition day planned for **Wednesday 7th July 2021**.

As well as the transition day an optional summer school is being planned for those in Y6 who will be transferring to All Saints in September. Running from **Monday 9th to Friday 13th August 2021** it will be open to all eligible Y6 pupils wishing to attend.



Further information:

- All Saints school website: <https://www.allsaints.sheffield.sch.uk/>
- Y6/Y7 transition information: <https://www.allsaints.sheffield.sch.uk/year-6-into-year-7/>
- contacting the transition team: [transition2021@allsaints.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:transition2021@allsaints.sheffield.sch.uk)



### Our Weekly SJF Sixty Second Challenge

We hope everyone had fun completing last week's throwing skills challenge! It was amazing to see everyone having a go and just trying their best!

This week's challenge involves star jumps! How many star jumps can you do in sixty seconds? Please watch the video demonstration by another of our fantastic Sports Major and have a go! Don't forget to let your teacher know how many you can do in sixty seconds! Have fun everyone!

Please click [here](#) to watch a demonstration by one of our fantastic Sports Majors and then have a go! Don't forget to let your teacher know how you do! Have fun!







### SJF Calendar/Forthcoming Events

Click [here](#) to view our online calendar. Thank you.

### Our Catholic Life

#### Parish Website

We will inform you as soon as the parish website is back up and running.

### Our Eastertide Prayer II: 'The Angelus'

**The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.  
And she conceived of the Holy Spirit...**

Hail Mary, full of grace,  
The Lord is with Thee;  
Blessed art thou among women,  
And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.  
Holy Mary, Mother of God,  
Pray for us sinners,  
Now and at the hour of our death. Amen



**Behold the handmaid of the Lord.  
Be it done unto me according to thy word...**

Hail Mary, full of grace,  
The Lord is with Thee;  
Blessed art thou among women,  
And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.  
Holy Mary, Mother of God,  
Pray for us sinners,  
Now and at the hour of our death. Amen

**And the Word was made Flesh.  
And dwelt among us...**

Hail Mary, full of grace,  
The Lord is with Thee;  
Blessed art thou among women,  
And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.  
Holy Mary, Mother of God,  
Pray for us sinners,  
Now and at the hour of our death. Amen

**Pray for us, O holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.**

#### **LET US PRAY**

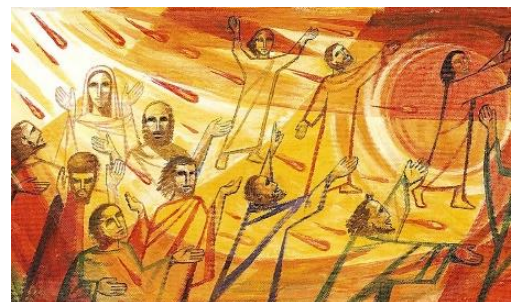
Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ Thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection. Through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.

### Our Eastertide II Song



As we prepare now for Pentecost  
and the coming of the Holy Spirit  
the verse of the song that we will  
say (as we are not allowed to sing)  
before and after assembly is:

*Come Holy Spirit,  
Descend on us  
Descend on us  
We Gather now in Jesus' (name)*



### Liturgy of the Word

Our next Liturgy of the Word will be led by the young people of **Y2**. It will be filmed on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2021 and uploaded to the SJF website so that it can be viewed by the rest of the school, as well as by the children's families and friends on **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2021**. You will be able to see it, along with all previous liturgies, Services and Masses by clicking [here](#). Thank you.





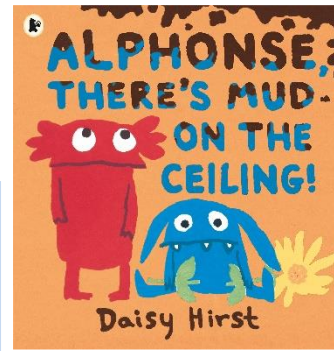
### Our Books of the Week!

#### *For Our Younger Children*

This week's book recommendation for our younger children comes from Mr MacInnes and is by the wonderful author, Daisy Hirst, and is called "**Alphonse, There's Mud on the Ceiling!**"

#### **Mr MacInnes writes:**

This is a fantastic storybook all about two little monsters called Natalie and Alphonse, who are brother and sister. They live in a small flat with their parents and but don't have much space to have fun and play. They don't let this get in their way though, with positive attitudes and their brilliant imaginations they manage to go on lots of exciting adventures together.



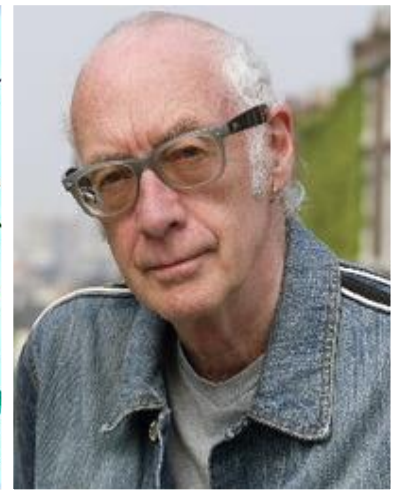
Here is the link: <https://www.amazon.co.uk/Alphonse-Theres-Ceiling-Daisy-Hirst/dp/140637475X>

#### *For our older children*

Our book recommendation for our older children this week also comes from Mr MacInnes and is called "**100 Best Poems for Children**", edited by Roger McGough.

#### **Mr MacInnes writes:**

I've always enjoyed reading poems, and having them read to me. This book of poems has been voted for by children and I really like the range of different poems that it contains. It has silly, funny poems and dark, serious poems. It also has poems written by modern-day authors, like Michael Rosen, as well as classic poems written by authors who lived hundreds of years ago, like William Shakespeare.



Click [here](#) if you would like to find out more, download or buy "100 Best Poems for Children".

### PTFA News

#### *Decorated Egg Competition*

Thank you to our amazing PTFA for organising the decorated egg competition this year. Obviously, things had to be very different because of COVID restrictions. Thanks also to everyone who took part.

Please click [here](#) to view the entries, they are brilliant.

#### *Bags2School*

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this week's collection. Thanks to your generosity in support of our PTFA. We will let you as soon as the total raised is finalised.



### Achievements outside of School

Don't forget to send in details of your children's achievements out of school to us via our main email address ([enquiries@st-johnfisher.org](mailto:enquiries@st-johnfisher.org)) and they will be included in our newsletter. Thank you.







### Statement to Live By

Next week our 'statement to live by' is '**I understand what trust means**'.

**Time to talk:** What is trust? Using a dictionary look up its meaning. Were you right? Close?

'Trust' is God's gift. It something very special that is born out of the love and respect one person has for another. It is something to be treasured and is close in many ways to 'faith'.

Trust is such an important part of school life and learning because every day children are challenged to trust the grown-ups in school who are there to help them learn. In each lesson the children are encouraged to step forward, sometimes out of their comfort zones, as they learn new and exciting things.


The children know that grown-ups are also there to ensure that each of them feels happy, safe and loved. The children understand that they can trust the adults if they have a worry to share.

What would school be like if children and grown-ups did not trust one another?

Can people be friends with one another if there is no trust in the relationship?

Why does Jesus call every single one of us to trust in Him, especially when we struggle and life seems hard?

John 14:1  
Do not let your hearts be troubled.  
**TRUST IN GOD**

  
**Trust is earned  
when actions  
meet words.**  
Chris Butler

**TALK WITH GOD,  
NO BREATH IS LOST.  
WALK WITH GOD,  
NO STRENGTH IS LOST.  
WAIT FOR GOD,  
NO TIME IS LOST.  
TRUST IN GOD,  
YOU WILL NEVER BE LOST.**

Best wishes,  
Mr Barratt

