



St John Fisher News

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★ Citizen of the Week

★ This week's award goes to **Maya Ptucha** (FS2) for her constant appreciation of the beauty and wonder evident in the world around her in line with our 'Statement to Live By' this week. Maya is fascinated by just about anything and everything. She particularly appreciates nature and is able to find the quiet, stillness and patience necessary in order to notice and observe something. Maya is filled with wonder and awe about the world and it is this which fuels her love of learning. She has impressed everybody with her attitude and we are all very proud of her! Congratulations Maya!

Year of Mercy Day

Our special day focusing on the Year of Mercy takes place on **Wednesday 23rd March** – the last day of Term 4. As it is a special day that completes our preparations for the great feast of Easter the children do not have to wear school uniform. Instead, for a voluntary contribution of **£1+** they can all dress down instead. The contributions will go to the Bishop's Lenten Good Shepherd Appeal to support the vital work of our Diocesan charities in helping the most vulnerable children and adults in Sheffield and across the Diocese of Hallam. If you would like to help, for all or part of the day, please speak to Mrs Holloway – our lead for RE. Thank you.

Green Day

Next Thursday 17th March is the feast of St Patrick. Next week the children of St Patrick's House will actually mark celebrate their patron's feast with Green Day on Monday 14th March so that they can all be involved. This is a change from the calendar.

This means that on Monday all the members of St Patrick's House are invited to dress down rather than wear school uniform. They can wear something green but don't worry if you cannot find anything. **Everyone else must wear school uniform as usual.**

Children doing the concert at the Montgomery Theatre can dress down and bring uniform to change in to later.

In the afternoon Mrs Golland, the Head of House, is organising some special outdoor activities for the children so it would be great if the children could also bring a warm coat and some suitable footwear to change in to in case it is muddy. I am very grateful to Mrs Golland and everyone who has volunteered to help her.



Term 4 Smiley Scores

St Andrew's House



491

St David's House



461

St Patrick's House



543

St George's House



548



Parish News

Help Please: School Banner

If you are good at sewing and would like to help us make a new school banner to display at school and take to events please get in touch. We are looking to design a banner that incorporates our logo and vision statement. Please get in touch if you can help, thank you.

School Office Updates

ParentPay

As we now use the ParentPay system for all school payments except tram fares and ties, please note that we now no longer accept cheques for payments.

School Lunches

Please remember to order school lunches for the first back after the Easter holiday (week commencing 4th April 2016) **BEFORE Monday 21st March** so that Taylor Shaw can be advised of numbers for after the holidays. Please remember that you can order meals weekly or for several weeks in advance. If you need any help/advice then please speak to my colleagues in the School Office, thank you.

After-School Sports Sessions for Dads & Grandads

Dads and Grandads are joining in with their children and grandchildren from Key Stage One, to participate in some alternative sports sessions over the next three weeks. There is some fierce competition between the children and adults, but I think the children are keen to show that they are the best!



50p Friday

Next Friday will be our next 50p Friday because it is the last of the school month because of the forthcoming Easter holiday.

If you would like to contribute to support the four House charities please send the children in with 50p. We really do appreciate your support, Thank you.



Year 5 orienteering

On Tuesday some **Y5** children competed in an inter-school orienteering competition hosted by our friends at Rainbow Forge Primary School.

Our children were fantastic ambassadors of the school and enjoyed a really exciting experience.

Their teamwork and great attitude was rewarded with a very well deserved first place! I am so proud of each one of them.

I am very grateful to Miss Golland for taking them and I know that she was very pleased with the children I am very grateful to her and to Mrs Broadhead for arranging this great opportunity!



Diocese of Hallam

12.30pm.

Family Workshop on Easter Candles

Here is a message from our friends at the cathedral:

Following the success of our last Half-Term Family activity, we are delighted to you to join our next free family workshop on Easter Candles on Wednesday 30 March from 10.30am to

The session will consist of a short activity to explore the heritage of the Cathedral followed by a craft workshop where families will be able to make their own Easter Candles.

The activity is suitable for children aged 3 years+ (children must be accompanied by an adult) and must be pre-booked by sending us an email to whatson@stmariecathedral.org stating the number of children/ages.

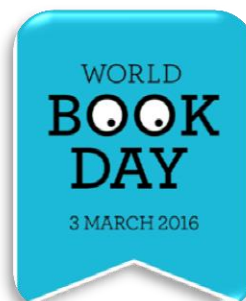
For further information please visit: www.stmariecathedral.org/visit-us-home/families.

World Book Day – PJ & Onesie Day!

Y1

Year 1 have been reading George's Marvellous Medicine and on World Book Day last week we wrote our own recipes to make some 'marvellous and horrible medicine'.

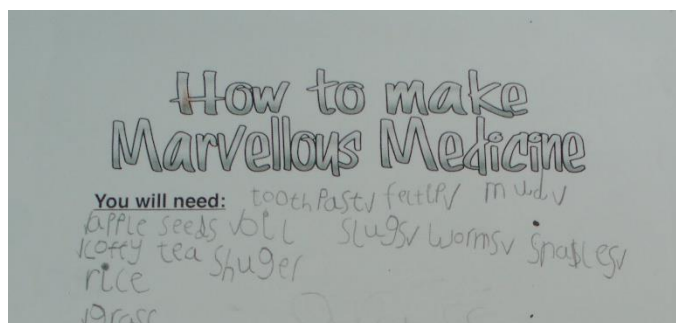
The children wrote a list of the ingredients and some instructions to help us make it. They also drew pictures of the ingredients in a large bottle. In the afternoon they made some of their own *marvellous* medicine using some of the ingredients and



making sure
they also used lots of adjectives to help us describe what happened.

Achievements Outside of School

- **Daisy Parkin** in **Y2** has moved up a whole level in swimming! A fantastic achievement! Well done!
- **Patrick Lodge** in **Y6** has just found out that he achieved a distinction for his Grade 1 piano exam he sat recently! What a fantastic achievement Patrick, we are all very proud of you!



Curriculum Exhibition

Our next curriculum exhibition takes place on **Friday 18th March 2016** in the school hall from 9.00am to 10.00am.

It would be really great if you could all join us in order to view and celebrate the children's work and achievements since Christmas. There will be children and staff on hand to talk about their learning.

As usual our PTFA will provide refreshments and if you can spare an hour or so to help set them that morning please speak to one of the committee members or let us have your contact details to pass on. All offers of help would really be appreciated.

Golden Children

This week's Golden Children are:

FS2	Courtney Nyamande for listening well in class and for trying her best!
Year 1	Olivia Wood for teaching the class the actions for the hymn we sang in our liturgy!
Year 2	James Hopkinson for really giving of his best when he was writing Lent leaflet! Well done!
Year 3	Diana Nicula for making fantastic progress in all subjects because of her willingness to learn new things. Awesome!
Year 4	Ellie Cope for showing a brilliant attitude towards school all week and for being a pleasure to teach!
Year 5	Isabella Ramsden for being a very caring member of the class! Well done!
Year 6	Josh Mercer for having an improved attitude to work and behaviour for learning. Well done, and keep it up!

Writing Champions

FS2	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Polly Flude	Sophie Hemingway	Archie Saxton-Clayton	Rowan Lodge	Owen Pack	Jack Green	Kiera Beck

Please look out for their fantastic work in the school hall!

Assemblies

Weekly Liturgy of the Word

The next Liturgy of the Word will be led by the children and staff of **FS2** on **Thursday 17th March 2016**. Thank you to the children and staff of Y1 for leading this week's liturgy, everyone was really impressed!

Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to everyone mentioned in today's assembly. The next assembly is on **Friday 18th March** and the parents, carers, family and friends of the young people in **Y3** are invited from 2.55pm. Thank you.

Attendance This Week

FS2		90.8%	
Year 1		99.3%	Bobby Bear will visit next week!
Year 2		90.3%	
Year 3		92.8%	
Year 4		98.4%	Brenda Bear will visit next week!
Year 5		98.1%	Elvis the Owl will visit next week!
Year 6		97.3%	
Weekly Target	97%	This week's Average Attendance	95.4%

Statement to Live By

Next week our 'statement to live by' is **"I know what humility means."**

Time to talk: Together you could think about what the word 'humility' means. Why is important to show humility? Why is it important to listen to others? Why can it be difficult sometimes? How does it make you feel when someone shows humility to you?

BLESSED ARE THOSE
WHO SEE BEAUTIFUL
THINGS IN HUMBLE
PLACES WHERE OTHER
PEOPLE SEE NOTHING.

Humble enough to
know I'm not
better than
anybody
& wise enough
to know that I'm
different from the
rest.



Humility

is not thinking less of yourself
but thinking of yourself less
- CS Lewis

Best wishes,
Mr Barratt