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**Weekly Newsletter**

**Friday 10th February 2017**

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**Following in Jesus’ footsteps…**

**We pray together**

**We play together**

**We learn together**



[](https://www.yourschoolgames.com/)

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| Come and See  http://www.educationcommission.org.uk/SiteImages/107.jpg |
| This week we had an assembly to reflect on the Holocaust Memorial Day. The children heard the story of Peter from Budapest and his experiences as a Jewish child during the Second World War.  The children discussed British Values and the importance of Tolerance, Democracy, mutual law and Individual Liberty. Mrs Evans showed the children our new British Values display board and explained why these values are very important and why we must never forget what happened during World War Two. |

**Our School Prayer**

Jesus, Mary and Joseph bless my family at home,

Jesus, Mary and Joseph bless my family at school,

Jesus, Mary and Joseph bless all the families

of the world.

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| book-tree.jpg  Book Tree  Please remember to visit our Book Tree at the front entrance.  You are more than welcome to borrow a book from the basket, however,  we would be grateful if you would remember to bring it back when  it has been read.  We are also looking for donations of books, in good condition,  to add to our book tree.  Thank you to all those children who have already kindly donated so far. |

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| **Attendance for week ending 3rd February 2017** | | |
| **Year** | **Attendance** | **Weeks Won** |
| R\*\* | 97.6% | 5 |
| 1 | 96.9% | 5 |
| 2 | 95.6% | 2 |
| 3 | 96.9% | 4 |
| 4 | 96.5% | 3 |
| 5 | 95.7% | 2 |
| 6 | 96% | 1 |
| **Whole School: 97.1%**  **National average is 96.3%**  **Well done Reception, you were our class of the week. Well done** | | |

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| [Image result for time to shine](http://www.bing.com/images/search?q=time+to+shine+pictures&id=5617E7635E9C7DAE9ACC0A860BBEA206FD876DCF&FORM=IQFRBA) | | |
| **Year Group** | **Star of the Week** | **Golden Table** |
| Reception | Mason | Brooke  Tabitha  Harry  Beau |
| Year 1 | Heidi | Eve  Heidi  Charlie  Howie |
| Year 2 | Matthew | James  Charlie  Katie  Scarlett H |
| Year 3 | Charlie D | Callum  Jacob  Ava  Tilly |
| Year 4 | Martha | Olivia  Tailor  Finn  Jake |
| Year 5 | Zak | Sean  Olivia  Chloe  Lucas |
| Year 6 | Libbi | Maisie  Emmie  Jorge  Saul |
| **Mathematician of the Week**  Oliver – Reception, Tobi – Y1, James – Y2, Ava – Y3,  Olivia – Y4, Summer – Y5,  Abigail – Y6 | **Reader of the Week**  Finley – Reception, Oliver – Y1, Olivia – Y2, Evan – Y3, Kian – Y4, Alex – Y5, Liam – Y6 | **Writer of the Week**  Hallie – Reception, Isla – Y1,  Bella – Y2, Callum – Y3, Jake – Y4, Maisy – Y5, James – Y6 |
| **Well done to all the children involved.** | | |

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| **What’s happened this week** |
| **Y3 Rejoicerejoice together.jpg**  Many thanks to everyone who came along to the Rejoice this afternoon, it was lovely to see you all. The children have been working very hard towards it and were very excited to show you all their hard work☺.  **Football**  The children in Y4 were a real credit yesterday winning their group stage to put them in group one.  They had three matches in group one. They drew two matches and won one game and played fabulously together with a great goal from Charlie. The team were unbeaten but unfortunately they did not progress to Finch Farm because of a one goal difference. Well done, we are very proud of you☺.  **Y6 Trip**  On Wednesday 8th February the Y6 class went to Rathbones in Liverpool. The children had a fabulous day learning about stocks and shares. Please read the Spotlight further in the newsletter for more information about the day.  **Sacramental Preparation**  The first meeting for the parents of children in Y4 took place on Monday evening. Many thanks to everyone who came along. We hope that you found the meeting informative. The next meeting is on Monday 27th February at 6.30pm with the children in Holy Family Club. We look forward to seeing you all. |
| **What’s coming up soon** |
| **DEARDEAR.png**  We will be continuing with our DEAR (drop everything and read) on Friday mornings from 8.30am. Please do come along with the children and their favourite book to read in the classrooms. All are welcome.  **Swimming Gala**  Selected children from Y4, Y5 & Y6 will be taking part in a swimming gala on Tuesday 21st February at Huyton Leisure Park. Unfortunately we received notification of this today and have emailed all parents with information.  **Junior Chefschef hat.png**  The Junior Chefs Academy will be coming into school on Thursday 23rd February and Friday 24th February. The children thoroughly enjoy this activity and parents/grandparents will be invited to come along and participate. Further information has already been sent home.  **Reception Hearing**  Unfortunately the date for the audiologist has now changed and they will be coming into school on Wednesday 8th March but please note that this date has still to be confirmed. We will let you know a definite date as soon as we know.  **Widnes Vikings InitiativeRugby ball.jpg**  The Game Changer initiative will continue after half term week commencing 27th February and children in Y2, Y3 & Y4 and their siblings are welcome to come into school at 8am for breakfast. As this is an extra-curricular activity there will be a charge of £1.00. The children will be provided with a healthy breakfast. Many thanks.  **School Nurse**  The school nurse will be coming into school on Wednesday 22nd February from 9am – 10am. If any parent/carer would like to meet with her please let the school office know so that we can notify you should any changes to the date or time occur.  **Storytelling Week**  Unfortunately the date for the bedtime event has now been changed to Wednesday 22nd February. The event will be for all children and will take place from 3.30pm – 5pm. A letter giving full details was sent home on Monday and is available to view on ParentApp.  **World Book Dayworld-book-day.png**  Thursday 2nd March is World Book Day this year and the children will be able to enjoy a lovely special meal from the kitchen for £1.00 in order to promote the day. A letter giving full details will be sent home shortly. The children are invited to come into school dressed as their favourite character from a book. Please note that football kits will not be allowed.  **Spring Concert**  Our school choir will be taking part in a Spring Concert at Sts Peter & Paul College on Tuesday 14th March. Tickets are on sale and Mrs Mitchell has sent a letter home to the children involved.  **Kingswood**  The children in Y6 will be visiting Kingswood Colomendy on Wednesday 15th March until Friday 17th March. Medical forms have now been sent home and we would be grateful if these could be completed and returned to school as soon as possible please as they need to be sent to Knowsley Health and Safety department for review before half term. Many thanks for your co-operation in this matter.  **CAFODCafod logo.jpg**  We will be having a special assembly from Justine Silcock on Monday 6th March to introduce the Lentern Appeal for Cafod, Turn Little Fish into Big Fish. Further information can be found on the website <http://cafod.org.uk/Give/Donate-to-CAFOD/Lent>, please do have a look with your children and read about Florence. On Friday 10th March the children can attend school wearing their own clothes for donations of £1.00. All monies collected on this day will be given to this worthwhile cause. Cafod envelopes to collect the money in will be sent home after half term. Each class will also be organising their own class events to raise money throughout Lent.  **Choir**  Our Choir will be taking part in the Spring Concert at Sts Peter & Paul Catholic College on Tuesday 14th March. A separate letter giving full details has already been sent home. Please see Mrs Mitchell if you require any further information.  **Mothers Day Tea Party**  The children in the Reception Class will be holding a Mothers Day Tea Party on Friday 24th March. The afternoon will begin at 1.45pm and all Reception mums and grans are welcome.  **Reconciliation**  The next meeting for the parents/carers and children in Y4 will be on Monday 27th February in Holy Family Club at 6.30pm. We look forward to seeing you all.  **Half Term**  We break up for Easter on Friday 31st March at **2pm** and return for the new term on Tuesday 18th April. |

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| **Additional Information** |
| We have been asked to let you know that Sts Peter & Paul Catholic College in Widnes will be holding Open Mornings for prospective parents of children in Y4, Y5 and Y6  on Tuesday 28th March.  The mornings will run from 9.30am – 11am and are  for parents only. |

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| **PTFA** |
| The next meeting of the PTFA will be held on Wednesday 22nd Feburary at 3.30pm in school. At this meeting we will be discussing and organising future events. Everyone is welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing you. |

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| **Spotlight on Y6 spotlight.jpg** |
| This week we went on a visit to Rathbone’s in Liverpool. They are a company who help other companies to make money.  Before we started we were put into groups and played a game called Risk. It was a bit like higher and lower and you had to decide whether to stick or twist. It went up to 15.  We were then put into six groups and had to sit at big tables. We were given sheets which gave lots of information regarding companies. We were given up to £25,000 to invest and could use this to invest in up to three companies but you didn’t have to invest in all three. A company called Pure Pop won which was a fizzy drink with no sugar which tasted really nice.  Then you had to give a presentation. My group got the most money but we didn’t win the presentation so didn’t get the most points. You could get points for teamwork, listening, staying positive and aiming high. Team C won overall.  In Maths we have been learning about BODMAS. This stands for brackets, order, division, multiply, addition and subtraction. The title helps with the work.  In English we have been reading a book called Wonder. It’s a great book about a boy called August. He was born with birth defects and is ten years old. He was home schooled and then his mum wants him to go to school but he is scared.  We haven’t finished the book yet but it is really good and we would recommend it.  Many thanks to Nieve and Joe. |

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| **Diary Dates**Diary.jpg | |
| **February** | |
| Monday 20th | Return to school – Bell @ 8.55am |
| Tuesday 21st | Swimming Gala – Selected children |
| Wednesday 22nd | School nurse drop in from 9am – 10am |
| Wednesday 22nd | Bedtime Story – Whole school |
| Wednesday 22nd | PTFA Meeting in school @ 3.30pm |
| Thursday 23rd | Junior Chef Academy |
| Friday 24th | Junior Chef Academy |
| Monday 27th | Sacramental Preparation @ 6.30pm in H/F Club for parents and children |
| **March** | |
| Thursday 2nd | World Book Day – Lunch £1.00 |
| Monday 6th | CAFOD Assembly with Justine Silcock |
| Tuesday 7th | Group 1 First Confession in Church with Parents @ 2.30pm |
| Wednesday 8th | Audiology tests for children in Reception Class |
| Thursday 9th | Group 2 First Confession in Church with Parents @ 2.30pm |
| Friday 10th | Own Clothes Day for £1.00 donations to Cafod |
| Tuesday 14th | Spring Concert @ Sts P&P for School Choir |
| Wednesday 15th –  Friday 17th | Y6 Residential to Kingswood |
| Friday 24th | Reception Class Mothers Day Tea Party @ 1.45pm |
| Friday 31st | Break Up at 2pm |
| **April** | |
| Tuesday 18th | Return to School – Bell at 8.55am |

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| **ex curricular.jpgAfter School Clubsex curricular.jpg** | | | |
| **Day** | **Activity/Club** | **Year** | **Time** |
| Monday | Vikings Rugby  Tween Yoga  Guitar  Football | Years 5 & 6  Years 3, 4 & 5  Years 5 & 6  Years 1 & 2 | 3.20-4.15  3.20-4.15  3.20-4.00  3.15-4.15 |
| Tuesday | Gardening Club  Netball  Football  Football  Tween Yoga | Years 3 – Y6  Years 5 & 6  Years 3 & 4  Years 5 & 6  Years 1 & 2 | 3.20- 4.00  3.20-4.00  3.20-4.15  3.15-4.15  3.15-4.15 |
| Wednesday | Rise and Shine Dance  Cookery  Multisports | Years 1 – Year 6  Year 2  Years 5 & 6 | 8.30-9.00  3.20-4.15  3.15-4.15 |
| Thursday | Choir  Multi-sports | Years 2 – Year 6  Years 1 & 2 | 3.15-4.00  3.20-4.15 |
| Friday | Rugby  Film club | Years 1 & 2  Years 3 & 4 | 3.15-4.00  3.15-4.15 |

**Please note that there will be no after school clubs the first week back after half term.**

**All groups will remain the same and will continue as normal week commencing 27th February 2017.**

And finally.........

The school value we will be focusing on after half term will be

Respect

Please speak to your children about the importance

of having respect for everyone.



Kind regards

Mrs Hannah