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**Weekly Newsletter**

**Friday 6th October 2017**

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**Following in Jesus’ footsteps…**

**We pray together**

**We play together**

**We learn together**





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| http://www.educationcommission.org.uk/SiteImages/107.jpgCome and See |
| Our RE Theme over the last four weeks has been Domestic Church (Family).  This week the children will remember how special their families are and that they all belong to the family of God.  Next week we will be holding our Judaism week and will explore the different aspects of this Jewish faith. |
| Our Value next week is respect.  Respect 1.jpg  Please speak to your child/ren about the importance of this value. |

**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.

Amen

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| **Attendance for week ending 29th September 2017** | | |
| **Year** | **Attendance** | **Weeks Won** |
| R | 94.9% | 2 |
| 1 | 98.7% | 1 |
| 2\*\* | 98.8% | 1 |
| 3 | 95.5% |  |
| 4 | 95.2% | 1 |
| 5 | 96.3% |  |
| 6 | 98% | 1 |
| **Whole School: 97.5%**  **National average is 96.6%**  **Well done to our Y2 Class, you are our class of the week.**  **Unfortunately no class achieved 100% attendance.**  **Well done**  **Unfortunately four classes were below the National Average of 96.6%. We hope to see an improvement next week.**  **Holidays during school time can no longer be authorised unless under exceptional circumstances. Holiday will therefore be marked as unauthorised unless permission has been granted under ‘exceptional circumstances’. This is a government drive to ensure children’s learning is not interrupted due to absence.**  **Many thanks**  **attendance** | | |

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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** |
| Reception | Harriet |
| Year 1 | Mason |
| Year 2 | Thomas |
| Year 3 | Ellie |
| Year 4 | Ava |
| Year 5 | Jack |
| Year 6 | Harry |
| The Star has been awarded to our children who have shown the value of the week.  Well done to the children who were chosen last week.  star of the week proud.jpg | |

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| **What’s happened this week** |
| **Art and Design Week**  This week the children in Y3 have all worked really hard and produced fantastic pieces of work, looking at natural and manmade objects and how to create texture through line. Y6 will hold their art week next week looking at Chagall’s Romeo and Juliet.  **Y1 Football**  Selected children took part in a Liverpool FC Academy fun festival on Monday afternoon. The children played really well. Mr Walker and Mr Turpin were delighted with all the children but particularly their behaviour. They won two games and lost three but the tournament was all about taking part and teamwork. Well done Year 1☺.  **School Council – report given by council members**  The first meeting took place on Monday.  We were talking about the Foodbank and how good it would be if we could visit them to have a look around and how good it is that we can help other people. We were also talking about the money we now receive for good work. These were some of the suggestions for the money we will receive for good work: a trip to the cinema will cost about £1000.00 and a trip to the park will be about £300.00. Many thanks to Kian who is now our press secretary. The next meeting will be next week.  **Computer Days**  Mr Ellis from Knowsley CLC came into school on Thursday to work with the Y5 class. They used the programme Scratch to make their own computer games.  **Cafod logo**  **Brighten Up The Harvest**  The children looked fantastic today dressed in their bright clothes. Many thanks for your kind donations to this worthwhile cause. We will let you know how much was raised next week. The School Council will be taking the food collected to Widnes Foodbank next week.  Please check out the pictures on twitter.  If you have not yet returned your Cafod envelope they can be sent in next week.  **MacMillan**  The raffle was drawn today during assembly and the lucky winners will be bringing their prizes home tonight. The total raised was £610.61. Many thanks for your generosity. |
| **What’s coming up soon** |
| **School Bell and Playground**  We are trying to encourage the children to come into class off the playground in an orderly fashion. We are therefore asking the children to walk in a straight line, particularly in Y5 & Y6, to cut down on the congestion. In order for us to do this we would ask parents to walk around the back of the lines when the children are entering their classrooms. Your help with this would be greatly appreciated.  **Nasal Flu Spray**  Many thanks for the prompt replies. The school nurse will come into school next Wednesday 18th October.  **Rejoice & Together Daysrejoice together**  We have recently been notified of a football tournament for Y1 children but, unfortunately the date clashes with their Rejoice and Together Day. We have therefore decided to change the date of the Rejoice and Together Day to Wednesday 18th October starting at 1.45pm. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause but hope you can appreciate we did not want children involved in the tournament to miss out on their class’s special day.  On Thursday 19th October the children in the Y2 class will hold their Rejoice & Together Day at 1.45pm. All are welcome.  **Break Up**  We finish for half term on Friday 20th October at 3.20pm and reopen on Monday 30th October.  **Judaism Week**  The children will enjoy a Judaism Week commencing on Monday 9th October. They will learn about the customs and traditions of this faith culminating in a celebration assembly of all they have learned.  **Secondary Admissions**  Please note that the closing date for Secondary Admissions is fast approaching and is 31st October 2017. Please do not be late in applying otherwise it could cost your child a place at your chosen school.  **Parent Meetings**  We will be holding parent meetings on Thursday 2nd November. A separate letter will be sent home nearer to the time.  **Y3 Trip**  Mr Ellison has arranged a trip to Chester on Wednesday 8th November. A letter giving full details will be sent home nearer to the time.  **Remembrance SundayPoppy**  The children in the Y2 class will be selling poppies with monies going towards the Royal British Legion. Each poppy will cost 50p. Many thanks for your generosity and support of this very worthwhile cause. |

**PTFA**

A letter regarding the forthcoming Spooky Bingo was sent home last night with minutes from the previous meeting. The Bingo will be held on Monday 30th October from 6.30pm-8pm and all are welcome. Tickets cost £3.00 per adult and £2.00 per child.

If you did not receive them please look on the school website or on ParentApp.

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| **Saints Peter & Paul Catholic College** |
| We have been asked to let you know that Sts Peter & Paul will be holding  Open Mornings on Tuesday 3rd October and Tuesday 17th October  from 9.30am – 11am.  Please note that the Open Mornings are for parents only of  children in Y4, Y5 & Y6.  Please contact the school directly on 0151 424 2139  or email [admin@saintspeterandpaul.halton.sch.uk](mailto:admin@saintspeterandpaul.halton.sch.uk)  if you would like to book a place. |

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| **After School Clubs** | | | | |
| **Day** | **Activity/Club** | **Year** | **Time** | **Collection** |
| Monday | Game Changer  Multi Skills  Breakfast Club  Vikings Rugby – external provider  Tween Yoga – external provider  Football | Y1,Y2,Y3,Y4,Y5 & Y6  Years 4,5,6    Years 3, 4 & 5    Years 1 & 2 | 8.15-8.55  3.20-4.15    3.15-4.15  3.15- 4.15 | Please bring to the main entrance  Y6  Hall  Y2 |
| Tuesday | Gardening Club  Netball  Football  Tween Yoga – external provider | Years 3, 4, 5 & 6  Years 4, 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 | Playground  Main Entrance  Y3 – (Y3 & Y4)  Y6 – (Y5 & Y6)  Hall |
| Wednesday | Cookery    iPad with Knowsley CLC specialist teacher (External provider) | Y4 this term  Y5 next term  Year 3,4,5,6 | 3.20-4.15  3.20-4.15 | Y5  Y6 |
| Thursday | Rise and Shine Dance  Art  (15 places)  Dance | Years 1, 2, 3, & 4  Y2 this term  Y3 next term  Y3, Y4, Y5 &Y6 | 8.30-8.55  3.20-4.15  3.20-4.15 | Main entrance  Y2  Hall |
| Friday | Rugby-Mr Walker  Film club | Years 1 & 2  Years 2, 3,4,5,6 | 3.15-4.00  3.20-4.15 | Hall  Y4 |

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| **Diary Dates** | |
| **October** | |
| W/C Monday 9th | Judaism Week |
| W/C Monday 9th | Black History Week |
| Wednesday 18th | Y1 Rejoice & Together Day @ 1.45pm |
| Wednesday 18th | Nasal Flu with School Nurse YR, Y1, Y2, Y3 & Y4 |
| Thursday 19th | Y2 Rejoice & Together Day @ 1.45pm |
| Friday 20th | Y5 trip to Tatton Park |
| Friday 20th | Break Up at 3.20pm |
| Monday 30th | School reopens – Bell @ 8.55am |
| Monday 30th | PTFA Halloween Bingo – Further information to follow |
| **November** | |
| Wednesday 1st | All Saints Day – Further information to follow |
| Thursday 2nd | Parent Meetings – Further information to follow |
| Wednesday 8th | Y3 trip to Chester – Further information to follow |
| Thursday 9th | Y2 Football – Further information to follow |

