



St. Stephen's Catholic Primary School and Nursery, a Voluntary Academy

Newsletter

12th May 2017



For the week ending 5th March attendance was 95.6% which is below our target of 97%. We understand that there is increased illness at this time of year but where possible please ensure that your child attends and is on time.

Congratulations to Airedale who were the best attenders overall with 98.9%.

Year 5 trip to Assisi

Year 5 have just returned from a 4 day pilgrimage to Assisi, accompanied by Mgr Summersgill, Mr Pye and Mrs Ellis. It was a wonderful trip where the children learnt a lot and was very spiritually rewarding.

From check in on Sunday morning to return yesterday afternoon everyone complimented the children on their behaviour, attentiveness and good manners. The Italian's use the word *educato* which means well behaved and well mannered. They were a real credit to the school and their families.

There are pictures on the website and we will add more shortly.

Thank you to the Trustees of San Damiano without whose support this trip would not have been possible.



FOSS Tea dance May 13th

FOSS are holding a tea dance on Saturday 13th May in the school hall. Doors open at 1.30pm and the dance will start at 2.00pm and end at 4.00pm. £2 entry. Refreshment are available.



KS2 SATS

Congratulations to Year 6 who had their SATs this week. They concentrated wonderfully and were calm throughout. This afternoon as a treat they all went to Mama J's café for a cake and a drink.

This week's 'Thunk'

This week's 'thunk' is :
Can you think of two things at the same time?



Summer is coming!

Please send your child in with sun protection – sun lotion and hats if required. This applies especially to children in Nursery and Reception who will be outside throughout the day. If anyone has any spare sun hats Foundation stage would be grateful.

Achievement Assembly

Forgiveness

The Catholic value the week ending 28th April and 5th May was **Forgiveness** – understanding, moving on, no longer blaming someone; accepting yourself. Congratulations to the following who embodied the value in these weeks:

Ribblesdale: Victor and Bryony

Malhamdale: Lois and Lexii

Airedale: Anika and Kayden

Wharfedale: Oathy and Jemma

Nidderdale: Molly and Isobel

Wensleydale: Abigail L and Mia

Well done to everyone who worked hard at being the best they could be this week.

Malhamdale Activity Session

Malhamdale had a very active afternoon when they went to Sandylands and met children from other schools. They took part in races, games and competitions.



The Golden Book Lily (Ribblesdale) and Jessica (Nidderdale)

Wensleydale
Jesse & Kaitlyn

Wharfedale
Amber & Aidan

Nidderdale
Isobel & April

Stars of
the week

Airedale
Kayden & Niamh

Malhamdale
Toby & Lois

Ribblesdale
Julian & Patrick

Midday Supervisor Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor. We have various hours and days available from Monday to Friday and 11.30am to 1.00pm. The salary range is SCP 7-9 £7.58-£7.76 per hour dependent on experience. Please ask at the school office or see the school website for further details.

Mass Times at St. Stephen's church

Saturday 5.00pm

Sunday 9.30am

Sunday 6.00pm

The first Sunday in every month is **Family Mass** at St. Stephen's church. Please come along and join us for Mass.

Dates for your diary

May

Saturday 13th - FOSS tea dance doors open 1.30pm

Friday 19th – Good Shepherd appeal at Leeds Cathedral

Thursday 25th – Malhamdale 'Alien Day'

Friday 26th – Close for summer half term

June

Monday 5th – School reopens

Wednesday 7th – Class group photographs

Friday 9th – Ribblesdale trip to Hesketh Farm

Saturday 17th and Sunday 18th – First Holy Communion Programme

Saturday 24th – First Holy Communion Mass at 10.30am

July

Friday 21st – School closes for summer holiday