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NEWSLETTER

Friday 16th March 2018

JOHN PAUL VIRTUE WORSHIP FOR PARENTS/ CARERS (9:00am)

Please see below for the remaining dates:

DATE	YEAR GROUP	THEME OF WORSHIP
27th April	Year 2	Worthiness
25th May	Year 1	Responsibility
15th June	Reception	Curiosity

KNIGHTS OF SAINT COLUMBA PAINTING COMPETITION

Congratulations to everyone who entered the Knights of Saint Columba Nativity scene themed painting/drawing competition held in December. The standard of entries was extremely high and it was very difficult to select the top three from each group. The winners from Group 1 (Reception, Year 1 and 2) were 1st Place: Finn O., 2nd Place: Halle W-M., 3rd Place: Emily McL. The winners from Group 2 (Years 3, 4, 5, 6) were 1st Place: Samuel H., 2nd Place: John-Paul C., 3rd Place: Gracie P.

WORLD BOOK DAY (3rd time lucky!)

This will take place next Monday – if you are worried about your costume getting wet just pop it in a bag to change into. Please come in uniform if you are not dressing up as a book character.

YEAR 2 MATHS

Please see our school Twitter page for daily maths problems (White Rose Hub-KS1 daily maths problems). Please do have a go with your child when you have a spare minute. These will hopefully prepare your child for similar questions as they prepare for their end of year exams in Year 2. Thank you *Mrs Longstaff*.

SCHOOL NEWSPAPER

Our fifth edition of the School Newspaper is now on sale at a price of £1 per copy. This edition of the newspaper is literally bursting with news and information so we encourage every family to look out for our School Council who will be selling the Newspaper at the beginning and end of each day! Happy Reading!

YEAR 1 VISIT TO KIRKSTALL ABBEY HOUSE MUSEUM - WEDNESDAY 21st MARCH

On Wednesday 21st March Year 1 will be visiting Kirkstall Abbey House Museum. The coach will leave school at 9.30 a.m. and children will return in time for their usual lunch arrangements. School uniform should be worn.

SCIENCE DAY THURSDAY 22 MARCH 2018

The Theme for Science Day is 'The Plastic Tide'. Each class will focus on recycling plastic and carry out an investigation.

YEARS 4 and 5 EASTER PRODUCTION

Easter Production costumes have been sent home this afternoon. If you would like to enhance the costumes or freshen them up please feel free to do so. Please return to school in a labelled bag by Monday 19th March 2018. The children will also need black leggings or track suit bottoms. Also, for homework this weekend please can the children practise the songs for the Easter Production, as we will be having a rehearsal without the words on Monday 19th March. Thank you

The Easter Production will take place in school on Wednesday 28th March at 1.45pm.

TWITTER

Some parents have mentioned that they are not on Twitter so are unable to see our Tweets. Our Twitter account is linked to the website so you can see the Tweets on the homepage of the website,

or on the APP, you do not need to have a Twitter account. Do occasionally have a look to see all the exciting things that your children get up to on a 'daily' basis.

SAFETY IN THE SCHOOL CAR PARK

When parking in the school car park through the gates, please use the footpaths to enter school via the playground. Please do not walk through the gates where cars enter, as it is not safe to do so. Thank you

DROP OFF ZONE

This week there have been a number of cars parking in the drop off zone to walk their children to the school door. Please do not park in this area as it makes it difficult for other cars to navigate around this area safely. If you are walking your child to the door, please find a suitable parking space, the drop off zone should only be used to drop children off and then continue round the loop. Westfield Junior School will also communicate this message to their parents. Thank you

GAMES WEEK – WEEK COMMENCING 19TH MARCH 2018

We have decided to 'try' something different this year for Games Week. Mini-Vinnies have been speaking to the children about having fewer games and children working together to come up with ideas. Children can bring £1.00 for 5 games – they will get 'tokens' to tear off and be able to spend these at playtime in the hall. This should mean that we need less change and the games run more smoothly. The final day of the week will be Bingo – please see below.

BINGO

On the **23rd of March**, Mini-Vinnies will be hosting bingo in every class. Please send your child in with £1 to hand in to their class teacher. At 2:30pm in the afternoon parents will be welcome to join us for tea/coffee, cake and bingo in the hall. All funds raised will go to our Lenten charity, which is The Good Shepherd Appeal. Hope you can make it! From the Mini-Vinnies

FAIRTRADE CAFÉ - NEW DATE FRIDAY 23RD MARCH

The Fairtrade café is now going to be combined with the Mini-Vinnies Bingo afternoon. Entrance into the café is £1 for adults and 50p for children, which includes tea/ coffee/ hot chocolate and cake. You can then purchase bingo tickets at the café. Parents attending the café will be able to collect their children from school at 2:30pm and take to the café/ bingo.

FAIRTRADE WRAPPER COMPETITION

Thank you to Year 2 Food Ambassadors for sharing the 'Fairtrade Wrapper Competition' results with the school in assembly on Monday. A super well done for coming first in the competition with 48 wrappers! *Mrs Longstaff*

YEAR 5 GREEK MUSEUM

Thank you to all parents who visited the museum. The children had a great time and learnt a lot from the museum experience and the topic.

WELL DONE YEAR 6

This week, Year 6 children have taken part in Bikeability. In groups, they have ridden for a day and a half. The time was split between the school grounds and the local roads. The instructors were very impressed with the children. They all listened carefully to instructions and showed great resilience when riding in some very unpleasant weather. They have made us very proud! Well done everyone.

THANKS TO YEAR 6, KAITLYN AND TARA

This afternoon, Year 6 have been to the Parish Centre to sing at the SVP lunch. They performed a few well known Irish songs and the parishioners joined in singing too. Kaitlyn and Tara performed three Irish dances and everyone was amazed by their skills and beautiful dresses! Well done to all of the children and thank you for representing school so well!

YEAR 6 WWII PROJECT DISPLAY

This event has been postponed. A new date will be advised as soon as possible

YEAR 6 – TUDOR MONARCH COLLAGES

After the Easter holidays, Year 6 will be creating collages using magazines, if you have any magazines which you don't need please send them into school. Thank you *Mrs Ripley*

IMPORTANT DATES TO TAKE NOTE OF!

19th March World Book Day – children to dress up as their favourite book character

28th March Easter Production at 1.45pm

LUNCHTIME DRAMA CLUB FRIDAY 30TH MARCH - PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE

The lunchtime drama club will be held on Thursday 29th March and not Friday 30th March due to school being closed on Good Friday. Thank you

YEADON CARNIVAL

Yeadon Carnival will take place on **7th July**. This year's theme is Music through the ages. All proceeds will go towards Yeadon Charities Memory Lane and AVSED, which were the charities, voted for by the people of Yeadon. Parents and children who are interested in dressing up, getting their dancing shoes on and joining the carnival procession, will meet Fiona Millington at Tarnfield Park from 11am. The carnival procession will take place at 12pm and each group of schools will make their way down the high street, along with the Carnival King and Queen, dancers and vintage cars.

Afterwards there will be fairground rides, inflatables, stalls, family races and lots of fun at Tarnfield Park. This is great family day out and a fabulous way for us to support our local community.

Many thanks to Fiona for offering to 'front' this.

CROSS COUNTRY EVENT – RECEPTION, YEARS 1 AND 2

Letters have been sent home this evening to Reception, Years 1 and 2 inviting children to participate in a cross-country event at Rufford Park Primary on 27th March 2018. Please return your slip by Monday 19th March if you would like your child to take part.

TAG RUGBY EVENT 21ST MARCH 2018

Unfortunately, due to low numbers of children able to participate, we have had to withdraw our school from this event.



Tuesday 13th March 2018-Netball League Match v Holy Family Primary

Fantastic team effort from the netball team drawing (8-8) against Holy Family! You all played outstandingly!

Miss K. Moore and Mrs N. Gilhooley
(Student Teachers)

WEEKLY AWARDS

'John Paul II Foundation for Sport' Virtue of Generosity

Reception – Max W.

Year 1 – Lucia S.

Year 2 – Riley P.

Year 3 – All of Year 3

Year 4 – Sofia B.

Year 5 – All of Year 5

Year 6 – Gracie K.

'Mathletics – Best in Class'

Reception – Joseph F.

Year 1 – Struan Y.

Year 2 – Isla McL.

Year 3 – Sam H.

Year 4 – Thomas E.

Year 5 – Hermione T.

Year 6 – Ellie M.

'Spellodrome – Highest Achiever'

Year 1 – Isla M.

Year 2 – Daisy H.

Year 3 – Christopher K.

Year 4 – Martha F.

Year 5 – Kian F.

Year 6 – Clare C.

NOTICES FROM THE PARISH

Children's Liturgy

We have a small team of Catechists who work on a 4/5 week rota presenting Children's Liturgy at 11.00 am Mass. We urgently need more helpers to come and join us, no experience is necessary just a willingness to share faith, patience and a sense of humour. You will not be expected to lead a group on your own but offer support to the present leaders.

Please contact Karen Hall 07963128448

FRIENDS OF Ss. PETER & PAUL

Mother's Day Shops

Many thanks to all children who purchased gifts for their mum, grandma or carers – we raised £180.00

Bangers & Bingo Night

The above, as always, was very well supported. Thank you to all who purchased tickets, alongside beverages and confectionary making the night a HUGE success raising nearly £500.00

End of Term: Summer Disco

Wednesday 23rd May 2018 – Reception & KS1 6pm – 7pm; KS2 7.30pm – 8.30pm [Further details to follow]

Next Meeting

The next FOSPAP meeting will take place on Thursday 15th May 2018, 7pm in school – all welcome to attend.