

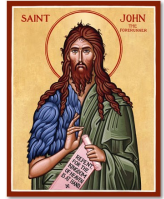


St. Austin's Catholic Primary School A Catholic Voluntary Academy Weekly Newsletter: Friday 22nd June 2018 No: 32



Spiritual Reflection—St. John The Baptist

The 24th of June is the day set aside by the church to celebrate the birth of St. John the Baptist—one of the best known saints. John was a preacher and a major religious figure mentioned within the Gospels of the New Testament. We read in the Gospels that he baptised many people in the River Jordan on their confession of sins and often foretold of Jesus' coming. Because of this, many of Jesus' followers started out as followers of John. He was the son of Elizabeth and Zechariah and although Elizabeth was beyond the age of child-bearing, Zachariah was told by the Angel Gabriel, whilst praying in the temple, that Elizabeth would bear a child. It is believed that John was born around six months before Jesus. He lived in the desert until the beginning of his ministry. John baptised Jesus in the River Jordan. Throughout his life, John the Baptist gave witness to what Jesus did and who Jesus really was. King Herod did not like the moral demands of his message so chopped his head off in 31AD. We can be God's witnesses through living our lives the way Jesus shows us.



"Example makes a much greater impression on the mind and heart than just words." St. John Baptist de la Salle

Monday 25th June

Transition Day 1 for Y6 pupils moving to St. Thomas a Becket High School in September

No Netball Club this week

Tuesday 26th June

Transition Day 2 for Y6 pupils moving to St. Thomas a Becket's High School in September

3.30pm Computer Club

Wednesday 27th June

Football Coaching—3.30pm with Elite Coaching

Thursday 28th June

St. Austin's Got Talent—Heats (during school day)

KS2 Choir—3.30pm with Mr. Molyneux and Mrs. Willis

Friday 29th June

Whole School Mass—11am—Feast of SS. Peter and Paul

Dance Club—3.30pm with Elite Coaching

Y6 Robinwood

The weather has certainly been kind to us this year and our Y6 children have had a fantastic time at Robinwood.

They left school by coach on Wednesday with enough luggage for three weeks let alone three days and with smiling faces looking forward to the three days ahead of them. They have taken part in a variety of activities which have included: They have also had the opportunity to spend quality time in each other's company and mark the end (well, nearly the end) of seven years together here at St. Austin's.

As is always the case at St. Austin's, their behaviour has been exemplary. They return this afternoon and will no doubt be tired but very happy with a holdall full of dirty washing and a mind full of many happy memories.

Over the next few weeks they will be involved in further transition activities including visits to their future High School..

Other events include:

Leavers Assembly—Monday 16th July

Leavers Party—Monday 16th July

Whole School Celebration Evening—Tuesday 17th July

Leavers' Mass—Thursday 19th July in Church

Hot Chocolate with the Head

The following children have been rewarded with 'Hot Chocolate with the Head' for their super behaviour and excellent attitude towards all aspects of school.

Congratulations to:

Class RW – Emily Dennison

Class RK – Hasan Ali Chouhan

Class 1T– Joseph Denning

Class 1/2C– Brajan Tuga

Class 2V – Riley Deshayes– McCourt

Class 3W – Eshan Shazad

Class 3/4AT- Emilija Vereskaite

Class 4N– Izabela Skoluda

Class 5B– Anna Manjush

Class 5/6C– Subhan Rashid

Class 6CD– Nikola Siemaszko, Maksymilian Klosowski, Nicky Riley, Zuzanna Bogoniowska, Salma Hussain, Elisbah Afzal, Jamelia Orzechowska



Feast of SS. Peter and Paul—Friday 29th June



On Friday morning we will gather together as a whole school community for mass to celebrate the feast day of Saints Peter and Paul. This is always a special occasion for us as many of our families live within the parish of SS. Peter and Paul. Fr. Simon Bradbury, Parish Priest at SS. Peter and Paul's is a regular visitor to our school and celebrates many of our school and class masses. He will celebrate Mass for us on Friday. As we will have the entire school in the KS2 Hall we are unable to invite parents to join us for this mass. However, we invite you to our end of year Mass (which is also our Y6 Leavers' Mass) on Thursday 19th July at 10am which will be held in St. Austin's Church. Why not put this date in your diary and make a special effort to join us?

Parish Mass times this weekend are:

St Austin's:

Saturday at 5pm, Sunday at 9am and 10.45am

SS Peter & Paul's

Saturday at 6.15pm, Sunday at 8.15am, 11am and 6pm

Diary Dates for the Summer Term

Monday 25th June	Y6 Transition day to St Thomas a Becket
Tuesday 26th June	Y6 Transition day to St Thomas a Becket & Outwood
Friday 29th June	Whole School Mass—Feast of SS. Peter and Paul
Monday 2nd July	UFS & KS1 Sports day MORNING family picnic for all pupils and families and KS2 Sports Day AFTERNOON
Tuesday 3rd July	Bun and Biscuit Sale for St. Catherine's Foodbank and CAP Wakefield BKCAT Singing Festival
Thursday 5th July	St Austin's Got Talent Final at St Austin's Theatre
Monday 9th July	Reserve Sports Day am and pm and picnic
Wednesday 11th July	Y6 Transition day to City Academy
Monday 16th July	Y6 Leavers Assembly Y6 Leavers Party
Tuesday 17th July	School Choir Concert Whole School Celebration Evening
Thursday 19th July	Leavers Mass
Friday 20th July	School closes for Summer break

School Holidays 2018/2019

Autumn Term 2018		
School opens	Tuesday 4 th September	
School closes	Thursday 25 th October	Half term
School opens	Monday 5 th November	
School Closes	Friday 21 st December	Christmas Holidays
Spring Term 2019		
School opens	Monday 7 th January	
School closes	Friday 15 th February	Half term
School opens	Monday 25 th February	
School closes	Wednesday 17 th April	Easter
Summer Term 2019		
School opens	Monday 29 th April	
School closed	Monday 6 th May	May Day
School closes	Friday 24 th May	Spring Bank Holidays
School opens	Monday 10 th June	
School closes	Friday 19 th July	Summer break

Inset days: Monday 3rd September, Friday 26th October, Thursday 18th April, Monday 22nd July 2019 & Tuesday 23rd July 2019

Hot Weather—as warm weather is expected all week please ensure children have sun cream applied each day before school, bring a hat every day and please ensure all water bottles are brought back into school on Monday.



General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)

In order to ensure that the school has accurate information and parental consent as appropriate, we recently sent out Pupil Data Capture Forms. Thank you to those of you that have returned the Parental Consent Form already. We ask that those that have not, do so as soon as possible please so school are able to update our records. We strongly recommend that you do consent to all options on the form to ensure and enable your child to access all aspects of school life.

Attendance

In KS1 & UFS the winners this week were **1T** with an attendance of **98%**.

In KS2 the winners this week are **4N** with an attendance of **99%**.



Confirmation Programmes in our Parishes

SS. Peter and Paul's—The confirmation programme begins on Sunday 24th June, starting at 12.30pm with a meeting for candidates and their parents, followed immediately by session one for the candidates. Lunch is included for the candidates.

St. Austin's—Please contact Fr. David or Fr. Sean via email for further details at: priest@catholicchurchwakefield.co.uk

SPORTS DAY: Monday 2nd July 2018



This year our sports day will take place throughout the day on Monday 2nd July. We will have events and activities for UFS & KS1 in the morning followed by our family picnic at lunchtime. During the afternoon KS2 will have their Sports Day.

You are welcome to join us for part or the whole day.

Bishop Konstant Youth Choir



All young people from school Year 4 upwards are invited to join the new Diocesan Youth Choir for the Wakefield and Pontefract area. They rehearse once a week with expert tutors and take part in concerts, Masses, recordings and tours. With the generous support of the Diocese and our supporting schools it's also FREE!

Wakefield Boys' Choir - Wednesdays 4.30-5.30 - English Martyrs School, Wakefield

Wakefield Girls' Choir - Tuesdays 4.15-5.15 - St. Thomas a Becket School, Wakefield

Please contact the Diocese of Leeds for more information. 0113 244 8634 / office@dioceseofleedsmusic.org.uk