

**St Stephen's Catholic Primary School**


**Newsletter**






**Working together to succeed through faith  
in Jesus Christ**


**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Foundation Stage Stars of the Week	
Foundation Stage Silver Stars 	Lamiya Harry

Key Stage 1 Stars of the Week		
	Year 1	Year 2
	Stefan Alexis	Maria Damian

Key Stage 2 Stars of the Week			
Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Moise Oliver 	Kristen Vinnie	Jakub Holly 	Klaudia Hanna

ATTENDANCE		
School Attendance this Week	Attendance Awards	
Reception	86.0%	Toby
Year 1	95.3%	Sheza
Year 2	97.4%	Tia
Year 3	94.7%	Niia
Year 4	93.9%	Ruby
Year 5	96.8%	Jamie
Year 6	97.1%	Oscar
School Attendance Award 94.5%	Congratulations to Year 2 class for having the highest attendance.	

### Proud Work Display

This week's children on our 'Proud Work' display are:-

Reception - Oliver Year 1 - Nevaeh

Year 2 - Talullah Year 3 - Tyler

Year 4 - Jack Year 5 - Bart

Year 6 - Jemma Leapfrog - Jessica

## Rainbow Champions

**Reception** - Flynn, Bailey, Lucas, Tobias, Chloe, Anthony, Mason, Oliwier, Alice, Harry R, Lamiya, Harry W and Oliver

**Year 1** - Alice, Frankie-Joe, Stefan, Lily, Franciszek, Demi and Amelia P

**Year 2** - Conor, Laney-Mai, Alissa, Cecylia, Millie and Maksym

**Year 3** - Grace, Caiden, Kiara, Niia, Charlotte, Ellis, Maci-Beau, Oliver  
And Ryan

**Year 4** - Georgie, Connor, Tyler, Weronika, Skye, Jack, Jakub, Lindsay, Madelyn  
Finlay and Roxanne

**Year 5** - Jazmyne, Mya, Grace and Bart

**Year 6** - Dominic C, Dominic E, Alex, Logan, Savanna, Klaudia, Jemma,  
Callum and Nathan

### Year 6 SATs Week:

Next week, our Y6 pupils will sit the end of Key Stage 2 assessments from Monday to Thursday. The children will sit timed assessments in Reading, Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling and Maths. School will be providing a special breakfast each day for the pupils in Y6 from 8am in the school hall. The children have been well prepared for the assessments by Mr Glynn and the Y6 team and we encourage the children to simply do the best that they can - these assessments form a small part of the bigger picture which captures the true character and achievements of each and every child in Y6 during their time at St. Stephen's. Please make sure they get plenty of rest, sleep and relax as much as possible over the weekend and next week. Good luck Year 6 - you are in our thoughts and prayers.

### Year 6 Booster Classes:

Please note that this week saw the final sessions of Y6 Booster classes after school. All Booster clubs have now finished - thank you to all pupils for their participation and commitment in all of the Booster classes.

### Y2 Superstars:

We are extremely proud of our Y2 pupils who this week began a set of 'challenges' in Reading, Maths and Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling. The children have worked so hard and showed real effort and focus in their end of Key Stage 1 assessments. The children will finish off their challenges next week in class.

### Y4 First Holy Communion:

This weekend sees the next group of our Year 4 pupils making their First Holy Communion. The children and their families have been notified about the date, time and venue for which they have been allocated over the next three weeks. We ask that you keep our Y4 children in your thoughts and prayers as they take this special step in their sacramental journey.

### Y4 Come and See Assembly:

Parents and carers of Y4 pupils are very welcome to come and join us next Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May at 2.30pm for a special assembly where the children will share their learning from their Come and See topic. We look forward to seeing you there!

### Parentsapps Launch:

Our new school app is now live and we have lots of parents/carers signed up so far. The app is designed to share information more quickly, save cost on printing and paper and make life easier for home and school to communicate. Please don't worry if you haven't downloaded the app yet - another invite has been sent out and you are encouraged to sign up ASAP. Paper copies of newsletters, letters etc will be available until the end of this half term however when we return after the Whit holidays all information will only be sent via the school app so **please ensure that you are set up by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May**. After this date, newsletters and letters etc will only be available at the school office in paper form.

### **Reception Snack Information:**

I would like to make our Reception Class parents aware that toast will no longer be available after the May half term break. As part of our transition work to help get ready for Y1, the children will still receive a free bagel at the start of the day as well as free fruit. Milk will also still be available to buy from the kitchen. We wanted to make you aware in advance to avoid you topping up your ParentPay account with too much money! If you have any questions or queries please see Mrs Sheron or a member of the Reception Class team.

### **Internet Safety Newsletter:**

A new monthly Internet safety newsletter has been sent home today. This newsletter will provide you with information, guidance and updates on issues linked to Internet safety, social media and online gaming. Please take time to read this and share any important information with your child.

### **Nelson Mandela Day:**

As part of our History focus on key people in world history, all classes have spent time today learning about the life and legacy of Nelson Mandela. The children have taken part in a range of activities that have enhanced their understanding of Nelson Mandela and why he is now such a key historical figure whose life and work should be celebrated.

### **Y5 Residential Trip for October 2019:**

The deadline for the final payment for the trip to Colomendy is Friday 12th July. However, to avoid a big payment all at once in July, why not pay off a small amount each week? The difference as little as £5.00 a week or once a fortnight can make will help out all of our families I am sure. Please send in your payment card with any money you send in as proof of payment. If you have any questions or query about the trip then please speak to Mr Glynn, Mrs Bishop or myself.

### **Punctuality Update:**

I am delighted to share with you that since our new punctuality procedures have begun we have seen a wonderful improvement in pupils being on time for school. Please remember if your child is going to be late for school then they will need signing in at the office by an adult. We need to continue this excellent start so that children do not miss out on the start of the school day routines and most importantly 'Morning Maths' where basic maths skills and times tables are reinforced. Thank you for your ongoing support!

### **Guitar Lessons:**

Due to lack of space during KS1 and KS2 assessment week, guitar lessons with Mr Waugh have been cancelled. Lessons will continue as normal on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May.

### **Reading Meeting:**

Unfortunately we have had to postpone the planned parents/carers' meeting about Reading planned for next Friday at 9am. The session will be rescheduled for after the Whit holidays and information about the meeting will be sent out in due course.

### **Events week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019**

Monday - Year 6 SATs Breakfast at

Tuesday - Year 6 SATs Breakfast at  
Y3 Swimming

Wednesday - Year 6 SATs Breakfast at

Thursday - Year 6 SATs Breakfast at

Friday - Year 6 SATs Breakfast at

Yours sincerely,  
**Steven Hatton**  
Headteacher