

**St Stephen's Catholic Primary School**

**Newsletter**



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

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Foundation Stage Stars of the Week	
Foundation Stage Silver Stars 	Alice Alfie PA

Key Stage 1 Stars of the Week		
	Year 1	Year 2
	Oliver Hannah	Paula Amelia

Key Stage 2 Stars of the Week			
Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Angel Harry 	Tianna Tyler	Molly Bart 	Amelia Salar

ATTENDANCE		
School Attendance this Week	Attendance Awards	
Reception	89.0%	Harry Wa
Year 1	95.0%	Alexis
Year 2	90.6%	Oliver
Year 3	92.1%	Charlotte
Year 4	92.1%	Georgie
Year 5	98.8%	Joshua
Year 6	94.9%	Abbie Mc
School Attendance Award 93.2%	Congratulations to Year 5 class for having the highest attendance.	

<u>Proud Work Display</u>
This week's children on our 'Proud Work' display are:- <b>Reception</b> - Bianka <b>Year 1</b> - Stefan <b>Year 2</b> - Connor, Riley, Nikola, Alissa & Harvey <b>Year 3</b> - Mya B <b>Year 4</b> - Kristen <b>Year 5</b> - Tyler <b>Year 6</b> - Nathan <b>Leapfrog</b> - Kaden

## Rainbow Champions

- Reception** - Victoria, Katarzyna, Flynn, Chloe, Anthony, Pola, Sophie, Bianka, Keilon, Suri, Mason, Oliwier, Alice and Harry R
- Year 1** - James, Alice, Frankie-Joe, Lacie, Olivia, Nathaniel, Kaden, Demi, Hannah, Amelia-Rose P, Amelia- Rose V and Simon
- Year 2** - Oliver B, Conor, Fraya, Mimi, Laney-Mai, Mason, Kornel, Dominic, Tia, Maria, Lacey, Ollie, Talullah and Breanna-Mae
- Year 3** - Mark, Olivia, Caiden, Charlie J, Logan, Paige, Jemima, Bobby, Niia, Charlotte, Billy, Charlie and Nikodem
- Year 4** - Elis, Faith, Gracie, Weronika, Skye, Jakub, Lindsay, Ethan, Abdul, Kristen and Emily-May
- Year 5** - Abbie, Faye and Elise
- Year 6** - Salar, Olivia, Jemma, Abbie M, Abbie Mc, Nadia and Nathan

### Dance Week:

The children and staff have enjoyed a fun, energetic first week back after the holidays. Each class has taken part in daily dance workshops which culminated today in the children performing their class dance to an audience. Each class performed a dance on a specific theme and the children delivered wonderful performances and made us all proud particularly, Amy and Katie the dance coaches, who have worked with each class this week. Thank you to Mr Gosling for organising such a fun week for the children!

### World Book Day 2019:

World Book Day will take place next Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March. We are inviting pupils to come into school dressed as a book character from one of their favourite stories. A letter was sent home this week inviting parents into school next Thursday morning from 8.45-9.15am to share some reading time and activities with their child. Please come along and join in if you can!

### Year 1 Come and See Assembly:

Parents, carers and grandparents of our Year 1 pupils are invited to join us on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March at 2.30pm when the children will lead a special assembly to share their work and learning from their current Come and See topic. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible to support the children!

### TRIP REMINDER:

Y5 pupils who have paid the deposit to go on the new residential trip to Kingswood Centre, Colomendy in October need to pay the next instalment of £65.50 by Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2019. Please remember that ongoing smaller payments make a big difference in paying off the bigger totals.

### PAN Art Exhibition:

School staff attended the launch of the exhibition before the holidays and we were delighted to see our work on display in The Pyramid Centre. The exhibition runs until Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March with artwork from over 40 Warrington Primary Schools, including ours, exhibited in The Pyramid, The Gateway and Warrington Library. Please do try and visit the exhibition if you haven't done so already - I am sure the children would love to see their work. This year there is chance to win a family ticket (for up to 5) to see 'Elmer the Patchwork Elephant' at The Parr Hall on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March. To enter the competition simply visit the exhibition and tweet a photograph of you, or something that you have seen at the exhibition, and include @warringtonPAN in your tweet. Tweets will be selected at random to win the tickets.

### St. Stephen's Social Media:

In order to improve communication, sharing information and giving snippets of daily life in school we are officially launching our Facebook and Twitter pages this week. Both pages will share the same content however from the parent survey conducted last term, parents/carers showed a greater preference for a Facebook page which is where we will post key messages and information in the first instance. The intention of these pages is to share information - we will not be responding to comments and messages as we do not wish to lose making face to face contact and having conversations with you. We want to use these platforms as a means of teaching our children the positive aspects and uses of social media whilst also getting our wider school community involved too.

- So please give our Facebook page a 'like' so that you can follow us - search for St Stephen's Catholic Primary School and look for our logo.
- On Twitter, please search for @stephen\_cps and follow us.

We look forward to hearing your views about our social media accounts!

### ParentPay Launch:

Thanks to all of our families who have supported our cashless snack and lunch launch this week. We are pleased to say that we have had very few problems and that most children now have a fully active account with credit available. Lunches have run very smoothly however snacks have been a little trickier. It is important that all snack money goes into the dinner money pot on your account - there is no separate section for snacks so all monies need to be put together. This will avoid you incurring any debt on your child's account. In order to help adding the correct amount of credit to your child's account on a daily/weekly basis, please note the following:

School dinner	Toast	Crumpet	Juice	Milk	Water
£2.30 per day	25p per day	25p per day	25p per day	18p per day	25p per day

### Internet Safety:

You may have come across a news story this week about frightening pop ups that appear on social media and You Tube. Thank you to the parents who have brought this to my attention this week, also. It provides us with a timely reminder for adults to monitor and keep an eye on what their child is watching online and ensuring that you have strong security and settings in place on all devices. We are very fortunate to have such high strength security on our school systems and we ask people to be mindful of online children's activities at home to avoid any worrying situations presenting themselves.

### School Photographs

The deadline for school photo orders is Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March. Orders should be place in the envelope provided, along with correct payment and returned to school SEALED. Please do not pay with cash, cheque payments only. This gives you order confirmation if there are any queries with your photographs. Any orders received after Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March will be returned to parents without exception.

### Events week beginning 4<sup>th</sup> March

Wednesday - Ash Wednesday Assembly 2.00pm

Thursday - World Book Day and Y6 Liverpool Philharmonic Trip

Friday - Y1 Come and See Assembly 2.30pm

Yours sincerely,

**Steven Hatton**

**Headteacher**