

**St Stephen's Catholic Primary School**

**Newsletter**



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

**Friday 30th November 2018**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Foundation Stage Stars of the Week	
Foundation Stage Silver Stars 	Lucas Flynn

Key Stage 1 Stars of the Week		
	Year 1	Year 2
	Anthony Lily	Alissa Mimi

Key Stage 2 Stars of the Week			
Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Niia Ellis 	Kuba Vienna	Olivia Nicholas 	Sophie Joshua

ATTENDANCE		
School Attendance this Week		Attendance Awards
Reception	93.7%	Suri
Year 1	96.7%	Nevaeh
Year 2	97.7%	Alissa
Year 3	97.8%	Oliver
Year 4	95.4%	Lindsay
Year 5	96.0%	Elise
Year 6	94.3%	Nadia
School Attendance Award 96.0%	Congratulations to Year 3 class for having the best attendance this week.	

### Proud Work Display

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

Reception - Joseph Year 1 - Amelia-Rose P

Year 2 - Talullah Year 3 - Bobby

Year 4 - Georgie Year 5 - Megan

Year 6 - Abbie Mc Leapfrog - Kaden

### Rainbow Champions

- Reception** - Lucas, Joseph, Suri, Oliwier, Alfie P, Harry R, Kai, Harrison, Harry Wa and Alfie W
- Year 1** - Ajsa, Jimmy, Alexis, Frankie-Joe, Stefan, Lily, Kaden, Izabelle, Hannah, Niall, Amelia P and Thomas
- Year 2** - Oliver B, Frayah, Mimi, Laney-Mai, Connor G, Kornel, Millie, Talullah, Oliwier S, Jacob and Maksym
- Year 3** - Grace, Caiden, Paige, Jemima, Anthony, Charlotte, Jake, Filip, Charlie, Natalia, Yarraah, Maci-Beau, Oliver, Ryan and Harry
- Year 4** - Weronika, Madelyn, Ethan, Courtney, Abdul, Finlay and Abigail
- Year 5** - Abbie, Cerys-Ann, Joshua, Thomas, Jack and Megan
- Year 6** - Louie, Sophie, Keira, Callum and Abbie Mc

### Science Week

As part of our Science activities this week, the children have been working on a special project. Mrs Burnham, our Science subject leader, organised for each class to research into a British Scientist and find out what they are famous for inventing or creating. In special assemblies this morning, each class has presented their work from their research and a discussion was had about the national project to find a fitting British Scientist who could appear on the new £50 note. To link Science with our British Values work on democracy, each child has voted for their favourite British scientist to appear on the £50 note based on the presentations given this morning. The children have thoroughly enjoyed their Science.

### Y2 Nantwich Museum Trip

Our Y2 pupils will be taking part in a very special trip on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December to enhance their learning in the curriculum. The children will spend the day at the museum and return in time for the end of the school day. All pupils will be provided with a packed lunch from the school kitchen. Pupils are reminded to wear full school uniform, sensible footwear and a warm coat. I ask that any outstanding payments for the trip are paid on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December to the class teacher.

### Christmas Dinner - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December

Flyers have been sent home today regarding the school Christmas dinner. If your child would like one please inform the class teacher by Wednesday the 5<sup>th</sup> December, to enable the kitchen to plan the day. All pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a free meal as part of the universal offer. Pupils in Years 3,4,5 and 6 are asked to pay £2.30 on the day to cover the cost of the meal.

### Christmas Jumper Day

We are inviting pupils to wear a festive, Christmas themed jumper on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December - the same day we will be having Christmas Lunch. Pupils can wear a Christmas jumper with their uniform for the day.

### Advent

As we begin the season of Advent this weekend, a special calendar has been sent home for families to share as we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ at Christmas. The calendar provides lots of opportunities for families to discuss and take part in activities to help share and explain the true meaning of Christmas.

### Travelling Nativity

Your child may come home with a class nativity bag in the next three weeks. This is to share the magic of Christmas together while you build up the crib scene and read the story. The book, box and bag need to be returned the next morning for the next stage of its journey, to the next family.

### KS2 Christmas Family Celebrations

Next week sees the children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 share Christmas in a slightly different way than previous years. Each class will entertain their audience with Christmas carols and songs, poetry and art and craft activities. The pupils will lead a special Christmas themed collective worship which our visitors are very welcome to join in with. Parents, carers and grandparents are very welcome to come along and join in the celebration and spend some quality time with your child before the crazy Christmas season begins. Tea, coffee and refreshments will be made available and the session will last from 9.00-10.00am in the School Hall. The days are as follows:

Y3 Class Christmas Celebration - Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December

Y4 Class Christmas Celebration - Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December

Y5 Class Christmas Celebration - Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December

Y6 Class Christmas Celebration - Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December

### Christmas Chocolate Raffle

Raffle tickets are on sale to win our bonanza of Christmas chocolate goodies which will be drawn on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December. Raffle tickets are £1 each.

### Magic Breakfast

We are delighted with the impact of our Magic Breakfast initiative so far. The children are clearly enjoying their bagels at the start of the day. We are seeing an increase in punctuality across the school. I appreciate that most children do have breakfast before school so I do urge parents/carers not to panic as in the Infant classes they only have half a bagel if they wish. If you feel that breakfast and a bagel is sufficient for your child then you may wish to think about your child not having toast at break times. Also, there are plenty of opportunities throughout the school day for the children to play and exercise on the yard to burn off energy. Thank you for your continued support.

### Events week beginning Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December

Class Christmas Celebrations - please see above for day and time

### Future Diary Dates

KS1 Christmas Production- Wed 12<sup>th</sup> December 1.30pm & Thur 13<sup>th</sup> December 5.00pm  
Christmas Dinner/Jumper Day & Elf Run - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December

Yours sincerely  
**Steven Hatton**  
Head Teacher