

St Stephen's Catholic Primary School



Easter Newsletter



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

Friday 5th April 2019



Dear Parents/Carers,

Foundation Stage Stars of the Week	
Foundation Stage Silver Stars 	Lola Harrison

Key Stage 1 Stars of the Week		
	Year 1	Year 2
	Olivia Lily	Paula Frayah

Key Stage 2 Stars of the Week			
Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
 Moise Logan	Alfie Keane	 Jazmyne Harvey	 Leah Ziyah

ATTENDANCE		
School Attendance this Week	Attendance Awards	
Reception	98.7%	Joseph
Year 1	94.6%	Codie
Year 2	95.2%	Alissa
Year 3	94.7%	Kiara
Year 4	92.8%	Tianna
Year 5	98.1%	Harvey
Year 6	98.1%	Ziyah
School Attendance Award 96.1%	Congratulations to Reception class for having the highest attendance.	

<u>Proud Work Display</u>
This week's children on our 'Proud Work' display are:- Reception - Alfie W Year 1 - Jimmy Year 2 - Conor Year 3 - Jemima, Logan & Ryan Year 4 - Courtney Year 5 - Lewis Year 6 - Amelia Leapfrog - All Groups

Rainbow Champions

- Reception** - Victoria, Kasia, Bailey, Lucas, Toby, Chloe, Anthony, Pola, Bianka, Joseph, Suri, Mason, Oliwier, Alice, Nicolae, Harrison, Alfie W, Harry W & Oliver
- Year 1** - James, Dominik, Jessica, Lily, Codie, Kaden, Izabelle, Hannah, Thomas & Oliver
- Year 2** - Oliver, Conor, Alissa, Mason, Paula, Kornel, Nikola, Maria, Ollie, Julia, Jacob & Harvey
- Year 3** - Olivia, Kiara, Mya, Paige, Jemima, Niia, Maja, Natalia, Yarra, Maci-Beau, Oliver, Mark, Moise and Tyler
- Year 4** - Elis, Faith, Tyler, Skye, Vienna, Keane, Jakub, Jacob, Finlay, Roxanne, Emily-May & Abigail
- Year 5** - Abbie, Tyler, Lena & Holly
- Year 6** - Davie, Michalina, Abbie Mc, Leah, Nathan, Ilinca & Daniel



Lenten and Easter Activities:



Thank you to all of our pupils, their families, our staff and Father John for all of your effort and support to our school and the children over the last half term:

- Each class has performed an assembly with another class this week to present the events of Holy Week in a thoughtful and respectful manner. Thank you to the staff for preparing the children and our families for coming along to support us all
- Father John has led special Lenten class masses over the last four weeks with Years 3, 4, 5 and 6
- Our fundraising activities were brilliantly led by our children who developed their enterprise skills and well supported by their families particularly our Good Shepherd Friday fundraisers
- The school hall was packed out for Easter Bingo on Monday afternoon - congratulations to all of our winners of chocolate goodies. Also, well done to our raffle prize winners who won chocolate hampers, giant Easter teddies, a £25 Smyths Toys gift voucher and afternoon tea for two at The White Hart
- We enjoyed a special Easter celebration this morning sharing the wonderful Easter bonnets and creative Easter gardens that the children brought into school. Well done to our winners and thank you to our pupils and their families for the time and effort you all clearly went to!

Easter Mass Times:

The church newsletter always accompanies our newsletter but we wanted to remind you of the key Mass times at St. Stephen's over the Easter period. Please try and attend Mass if you can during the holidays with your child/ren.

- *Holy Thursday - Mass of the Lord's Supper - 18th April, St Stephen's Church at 7pm*
- *Good Friday - The Lord's Passion - 19th April, St Stephen's Church at 3pm*
- *Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil - 20th April, St Bridget's Church at 8.30pm*
- *Easter Sunday Masses: 9.45am at St Stephen's Church or 11.15am at St. Bridget's Church*



REMINDER:

School closes today Friday 5th April at 3.00pm for the Easter holidays
We reopen on Tuesday 23rd April at 8.45am for the Summer Term



Punctuality Changes:

After the Easter holidays, as of Tuesday 23rd April, there will be some changes to the start of the day procedures. The school bell will ring at 8.45am as normal which signals the start of the school day. However, we still have far too many children arriving to school late each day and losing key learning time and disrupting their class and teacher by arriving late. So the following will take place each day after the Easter holiday:

- **8.45am** - School bell rings and children enter class to start the day
- **8.45 - 8.55am** - classroom doors and the main school gate will remain open for pupils to come into school.
- **8.55am** - the main school gate and classroom doors will be locked
- Any child/ren arriving at this time must report to the school office
- ***Any child/ren arriving late to the school office will now need to be signed in by an adult and a reason for the lateness must be provided***
- If your child/ren is persistently late we will now be collating the amount of minutes of teaching time lost by late children and taking action within school and via the Local Authority Attendance Team.

School attendance and punctuality is vitally important in securing the best outcomes for our children and home and school working together is the key to this success.

I thank you in advance of your support with this matter.

Summer Uniform:

Pupils are permitted to wear our summer uniform when we return to school after the Easter break. Girls may wear summer dresses and boys may wear grey shorts if they wish to. I would ask that all pupils have the correct PE kit in school (white t-shirt and blue shorts) as of the first day back as most classes have PE on Tuesdays.

REMINDER:

Pupils in Year 3 begin their swimming lessons on Tuesday 23rd April (first day back). They will need the correct kit and their consent form must be returned to school and signed. Please note that the children will arrive back to school by 3.30pm. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause however this is a situation out of our control.

SAVE THE DATE:

- Friday 26th April - Y6 SATs Information Meeting at 9am with Mr Glynn and Mrs Georgiou
 - Wednesday 1st May - Y2 SATs Information at 9am with Mrs Doyle and Mrs Fitzharris
- Parents/carers of Y6 and Y2 are encouraged to attend these important meetings

Contact Information:

Please ensure that the school office has your up to date personal information such as telephone numbers and addresses. This is a key safeguarding matter should we need to contact you about your child/ren in case of an emergency due to sickness or illness. Please pop into school to see Mrs Bellis or Mrs Burton if you need to update your information.

Warrington Wolves v London Broncos:

We hope all of our pupils and their families who have bought discounted tickets for the match tonight have a great time! Don't forget kick off time is at 7.45pm.

Message from St. Andrew's Breakfast Club:

From 23 April, 2019, St. Andrew's will no longer accept any cash payments for Breakfast Club attendance. Places need to be paid for in advance via ParentPay otherwise there may be the possibility that your child will be unable to attend.

I thank you all for your support during a busy, fun and productive Spring Term and wish all of our pupils, their families and our staff a happy and holy Easter. Enjoy the holidays and stay safe!



*Best wishes,
Mr. Hatton*



