

St Stephen's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter



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

Friday 17th May 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

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

Key Stage 1 Stars of the Week		
	Year 1	Year 2
	Amelia-Rose P Frankie-Joe	James Laney-Mai

Key Stage 2 Stars of the Week			
Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
 Nikodem Logan	Jacob Vienna	 Jack Grace	 Oscar Amelia

ATTENDANCE		
School Attendance this Week	Attendance Awards	
Reception	90.9%	Oliver
Year 1	95.5%	Anthony
Year 2	97.6%	Kornel
Year 3	90.8%	Jemima
Year 4	95.1%	Alfie
Year 5	99.2%	Grace
Year 6	94.4%	Keira
School Attendance Award 94.8%	Congratulations to Year 5 class for having the highest attendance.	

Proud Work Display

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

Reception - Keilon Year 1 - Codie

Year 2 - Whole Class Year 3 - Angel

Year 4 - Faith Year 5 - Mya

Year 6 - Michalina Leapfrog - Thomas

Rainbow Champions

Reception - Victoria, Katarzyna, Lucas, Toby, Chloe, Anthony, Pola, Sophie, Bianka, Cameron, Suri, Mason, Oliwier, Alfie P, Alice, Nicolae, Harry R, Kai, Harrison, Harry, Lamiya, Alfie W, Harry and Oliver

Year 1 - Ajsa, James, Frankie-Joe, Jessica, Olivia, Hannah, Amelia P and Thomas

Year 2 - Berrie, Conor, Alissa and Jacob

Year 3 - Logan, Paige, Jemima, Bobby, Jake, Filip, Maja, Nikodem and Moise

Year 4 - Alfie, Jack, Keane, Jakub, Lindsay, Madelyn, Jacob and Emily-May

Year 5 - Euan, Lena, Jakub and Hannah

Year 6 - Dominic E,

Year 6:

We have been so impressed with the wonderful effort and focus that our children in Y6 have put into their end of Key Stage 2 assessments this week. The children showed maturity and confidence whilst tackling a series of timed tests in English and Maths. They have been an absolute credit to their families and our school. I also offer a special thank you to the Year 6 staff team for the hard work and commitment that has gone into preparing the children over the last few months. The focus in Year 6 now moves to completing writing assessments at a more leisurely pace and beginning the transition work to help the children prepare for their moves to high school in September.

Y4 Come and See Assembly:

Our Year 4 pupils delivered a wonderful assembly this afternoon sharing their learning in their recent RE topic. They shared key messages, time for reflection and prayer and sung beautifully. What a wonderful way to end the week - thank you Year 4, the Year 4 staff and the families who came along to support the children.

Y4 First Holy Communion:

This weekend sees the final group of our Year 4 pupils making their First Holy Communion. The masses over the last three weeks led by Father John have celebrated the children completing the preparation to receive Holy Communion and we thank their families and the parish catechists for their support with the programme. We ask that you keep our Y4 children in your thoughts and prayers as they take this special step in their sacramental journey.

Years 3/4/5 Assessment Week:

Next week, pupils in Years 3, 4 and 5 will be taking their Summer Term assessments. It is vitally important that all children in these classes are in school on time every day so that they can complete these assessment with their classmates. Pupils will sit assessments in Reading, Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling in English and Arithmetic and Problem Solving papers in Maths. If your child is absent for any assessments, they will be expected to take them when they return to school.

St Stephen's App:

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. Paper copies of newsletters, letters etc will be available until next week 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 24th 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.

REMINDER: Year 2 Trip:

Year 2 are going to Knowsley Safari Park on Monday 20th May. Pupils are to wear smart school uniform, sensible shoes and weather depending, a coat. If you are sending a packed lunch it must be in a plastic bag. Pupils will be back in school in time for the end of the day. We hope the children have a wonderful day - look out for photographs on our Facebook page!

Y6 Enterprise Activities:

Next week, our Year 6 children will be taking part in enterprise week to fundraise for their end of year activities. They will be involved in a variety of roles in this fundraising which will result in a whole school sales event on Friday afternoon.

Other Faiths Week - 20th - 24th May:

Next week, our Come and See lessons will focus on other faiths. Years 3 and 6 will be learning about Sikhism, Years 1 and 5 will focus on Islam and Years 2 and 4's lessons will be based around Hinduism. On Friday 24th May, Years 3 and 6 will be visiting the local Sikh temple to help them explore this faith in a more practical way. The children will be back in school by lunchtime.

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.

REMINDER:

School closes for the half term holidays next Friday 24th May at 3pm.
We reopen on Monday 10th June at 8.45am for the final half term of the school year.

Events week beginning 20th May 2019

Monday - Y2 Knowsley Safari Park Trip
Y3/4/5 Assessment Week
Tuesday - Y3 Swimming
Y3/4/5 Assessment Week
Wednesday - Y3/4/5 Assessment Week
Guitar lessons with Mr Waugh
Thursday - Y3/4/5 Assessment Week
Friday - Y3/4/5 Assessment Week
Y3 & Y6 Sikh Temple Visit
Y6 Enterprise Activities
School closes for half term at 3pm

Yours sincerely,
Steven Hatton
Headteacher