

Friday 26 January 2024

Dear parents and carers,



Assemblies

Over the next two weeks the children will be exploring the following themes:

News for Now! - Drop what you're doing and come now! Jesus gives us the best news and this is His invitation - to listen to Him, turn back to Him and believe what He tells us because the kingdom of God is close at hand.

Deep Impression - Jesus' teaching was amazing, it changes people when they hear it, because what He says is spoken by God to show us who God is - are we ready to listen to Him?

Please take the opportunity to discuss with your child at home.

Safeguarding - Please can you support school by ensuring that if your child is ill and absent from school that you phone the school office by 9.15am. To ensure that we are compliant with Safeguarding Policies if we are not notified and we are unable to contact you with the contact numbers you have provided to school then staff may need to undertake a home visit. Please support us by informing us of absence. Following up absences and carrying out unnecessary home visits are taking staff away from other tasks unnecessarily.

I thank you all in advance for your support in this matter.

Dates for Diary

30/1/24 - GeoBus Virtual Workshop – Year 3 – Rocks - In school

30/1/24 - Star books KS2 – In classes (2.30-3.00pm)

6/2/24 - Safer Internet Day

6/2/24 - GeoBus Virtual Workshop – Year 3 – Fossils - In school

7/2/24 - Share and Shine Assembly – Year 4 @9.15am (Y4 parents welcome)

8/2/24 - PTA Meeting (5.30pm)

8/2/24 - EYFS/KS1 Disco (6-7:30pm)

9/2/24 - Charity Day – Year 1

13/2/24 - EHCP – Parent Meeting (2.45pm)

14/2/24 - Reception – Stay and Play Session -Reception parents - 9-10am

Letters sent home

N/A

Punctuality/Attendance

School doors open at 8.45am for the start of the school day.

Well done to Year 5 who led a beautiful Share and Shine Assembly in school last week on the theme of missionaries. This will be available on their class page on the school website for parents to see. Thank you Year 5.

This week, Year 6 enjoyed their residential trip to Robin Wood. The children loved the three days they spent there, taking part in many different activities such as archery, canoeing and rock climbing, to name but a few! Not only did the children come away having overcome many physical challenges but they also developed their team working skills, leadership qualities and ability to problem solve. Well done Year 6! Thank you to the staff who took the children on the residential.

World Book Day is Thursday 7th March – this year we are celebrating this day with the theme of bedtime stories. Children are encouraged to dress up in their pyjamas and bring their favourite bedtime story with them to school so that we can read them (Please ensure that books have your child's name in them). Please ensure your child wears a coat and appropriate footwear on this day.

Please do not go to any expense. We look forward to celebrating this day together. Thanking you in advance for supporting this day in school.

Enterprise/Career Related Learning

During Enterprise week (Monday 11 March – Friday 15 March) we have many activities planned to support the children to learn about different career opportunities they may have in the future. As part of this week the children will be making things to sell with the money raised being used to support both the Lighthouse Project and Dr Kershaw's Hospice. Items will be sold on Wednesday 13 March (we will send our further information about this nearer the time.) On Friday 15 March the children are encouraged to come to school

dressed up as their dream job. Please do not go to any expense. We look forward to seeing the children dressed up to reflect a career they are aiming to work as in the future!

This year, the PTFA have set themselves a target of £4,000 for computing equipment and library books. Please continue to support PTFA events.



We have raised £2,500 so far this year. Our target is £4,000.

Date	Event
8/2/24	EYFS/KS1 Disco (6-7:30pm)
7/3/24	KS2 Disco (6-7:30pm)
15/3/24	Chocolate Bingo or Quiz Night (6pm)
25/3/24	PTA Easter Raffle
16/5/24	PTA Meeting (5.30pm) – TBC
23/5/24	Possible date for PTA Summer Fair (3.30-5.00pm) - TBC
18/7/24	Y6 Leavers Disco (6:00-7:30pm)

Many children in the UK are entitled to free schools meals but often parents are not aware that they are eligible or they choose not to claim their entitlement. The school can claim Pupil Premium funding for every child receiving their free school meal entitlement. This additional funding helps us provide a wider range of opportunities and learning experiences for your child. For more information about free school meals please visit the RMBC webpage:<http://www.rochdale.gov.uk/schools-and-education/Pages/free-school-meals.aspx>

SCHOOL UNIFORM

School Uniform - We have a school uniform because it looks smart, wears well and contributes to a sense of belonging to St John Fisher RC Primary School. Please ensure that the school policy is kept with regard to school uniform. Black shoes/trainers (no other colours) must be worn in school and nail varnish must not be worn to school. Please support school in ensuring that all children come to school looking smart. The basic uniform can be purchased from most retail outlets, except for the school sweatshirt which must be purchased from Broadbent's Outfitters on Long Street, Middleton.

Laudato Si - 'St John Fisher RC Primary School Uniform Swap' has now been established - this is where good condition donated school uniform can be swapped or can be purchased for a small donation to school funds. The aim is to save parents money and also ensure that school uniform that is still in good condition does not go to waste. If you would like to swap or purchase any uniform please call at the school office.

Please remember that if you have any worries or concerns we are here to help. Please feel free to speak to a member of staff if you have a worry or a really good idea. Your child's class teacher is available at the start and end of the school day. We are an open school and the children benefit from the special partnership we have with parents and carers.

Please keep informed of future events within school via our school website www.st-johnfisher.rochdale.sch.uk as this has the most up to date information. We will continue to share our in- school activities via Twitter @st-johnfisher.co.uk and Facebook page.

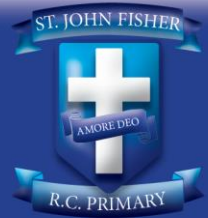
Best wishes

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Our Mission Statement

Love Jesus, love learning,

Inspiring each other to be the best that we can be.