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# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

A Voluntary Academy

## Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

After two weeks all the children have settled in extremely well and there is a calm and purposeful working atmosphere around all the classrooms. We have been mightily impressed with our new starters as they have settled into full time education in the foundation unit.

**Parish Picnic:** On Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September after 9:30 mass at St Joseph's there will be a parish picnic in the parish centenary garden. This will be a celebration in remembrance of Fr. Brian's birthday and 40 years since Fr. Brian arrived in Dinnington. There will be a shared table and all are welcome to attend.



**St Bernard's update:** A member of the pastoral team will be showing prospective parents around school on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September at 2pm. Please feel free to go along and meet the staff and children.

**Roofing completion:** The roof is almost close to completion and we have been informed that the scaffold will be taken down next week. Thank you for your cooperation and parents in nursery and reception should be able to drop off and collect in the usual manner very shortly.

Our ethos statement for the week

I can say one thing good about myself.

**Y3&4 Football Competition:** Some year 3 & 4 children will be attending a football competition at Dinnington High School on Monday after school. There are some children who have not yet returned reply slips. Could these be handed into school on Monday please.

**Y5&6 Football Competition:** There will be a Y5&6 football competition on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September for boys and girls. The selected children will receive permission letters next week.

**Key Dates .....**

Y3 & 4 Boys and Girls football competition at Dinnington Comprehensive after school.	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> September
Y5 & 6 Boys and Girls football competition at Dinnington Comprehensive after school.	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> September
Y6 Crucial Crew Trip	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October
CAFOD Harvest Fast Day	Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> October
Y6 Library visit & Writing workshop	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October
Parents Evening 2 -6pm	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October
School closes for half term	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October
INSET Day	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November
School reopens	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> November
Celebration of Learning Afternoon	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> November
Flu Vaccination for R, Y1, Y2, Y3 & Y4.	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November
Y6 trip to the Briars	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> -29 <sup>th</sup> November
Break up for Christmas	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December

**Breakfast Club:** If you wish for your child to attend the breakfast club then this needs to be booked in advance and a consent form needs to be completed. Places are limited and they cost **£1.80** a session. A breakfast including toast and cereal is provided and children will be looked after from 7:45am - 8:50 am. The last serving breakfast will be 8:15am.

**After School Club:** If you wish for your child to attend the after school club then this needs to be booked in advance with Mrs Cannadine or Mrs Schofield. Places are limited and they cost **£7.50** a session. A light tea is provided and children will be looked after from 3:15-5:30pm.



**Stars of the Week Assembly**  
**Stars of the Week - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September**

<b>Reception Apple</b>	<b>Sebastian</b> for being a willing participant and doing really well in group activities. <b>Logan</b> for making a fantastic start to foundation stage
<b>Birch</b>	<b>Lucas</b> for having an amazing attitude to learning and being helpful in the classroom. <b>Castiel</b> for fabulous maths work.
<b>Cherry</b>	<b>Ethan</b> for being kind and patient <b>Molly</b> for always being ready to work.
<b>Pine</b>	<b>Nikodem</b> Explaining his reasoning in maths <b>Erin</b> great use of adjectives and adverbs in her writing.
<b>Maple</b>	<b>Lucy</b> For amazing enthusiasm and hard work in every lesson. <b>Lawson</b> Fantastic effort in all subjects this week.
<b>Oak</b>	<b>Charlie</b> Fantastic attitude to learning <b>Millie</b> Always being ready to learn and giving 100%.
<b>Mr Hickey's Star of the Week - Nikodem</b> for always setting a great example when lining up on the yard.	
<b>Hero of the Dinner Hall</b> Eden for showing fantastic manners. <b>Star of the Yard</b> Lexi Jade for being a huge help to other people	

**Open Evening at Dinnington High School:**  
There will be an open evening for parents of Y5&Y6 children on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November from 5:30pm onwards.

**Ciaran's Family Fun Day:** On Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September there will be a family fun day to raise money for 10 year old Ciaran Scott who has been diagnosed with lymphoma. The fun day will be held on St Gerard's Thyrbergh school field from 11am until 5pm. There will be inflatables, rides, a disco, games, afternoon tea, BBQ, an ice cream van as well as an auction, a 'bake off' competition and lots of fun. Please join us.

Details of the auction prizes and how to enter your best bakes into 'Ciaran's Great British Cake Off' are on 'Team Ciaran Scott' Facebook page.

**Attendance since the beginning of term**

**Well done to Class Birch with the best attendance- an extra playtime for you.**

Class	% Percentage
<b>Birch</b>	<b>98.7%</b>
<b>Cherry</b>	<b>96.2%</b>
<b>Pine</b>	<b>95.4%</b>
<b>Maple</b>	<b>95.8%</b>
<b>Oak</b>	<b>92.2%</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>95.5%</b>

Thank you for reading this newsletter,  
**David Hickey**