



Headlines

St John Fisher R.C. Primary School Autumn Term 2024/25
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Week Beginning – 18th November 2024

Yr6 Bikeability All Week

Monday 18th

Tuesday 19th

St James Collective Worship 9am (*parents and carers of pupils in 4STJ are welcome to attend*)

Yr1 Phonics and Phonics Screening Information Session (ONLINE) 6pm

Wednesday 20th

Thursday 21st

Friday 22nd

Coffee Morning 9am (*Building Confidence During the Primary Years*)

This week children across the school have taken part in activities to mark Anti Bullying week.

This year's theme of 'Choose Respect' is very well matched to one of the most common phrases we use here at SJF 'Mutual Respect'.

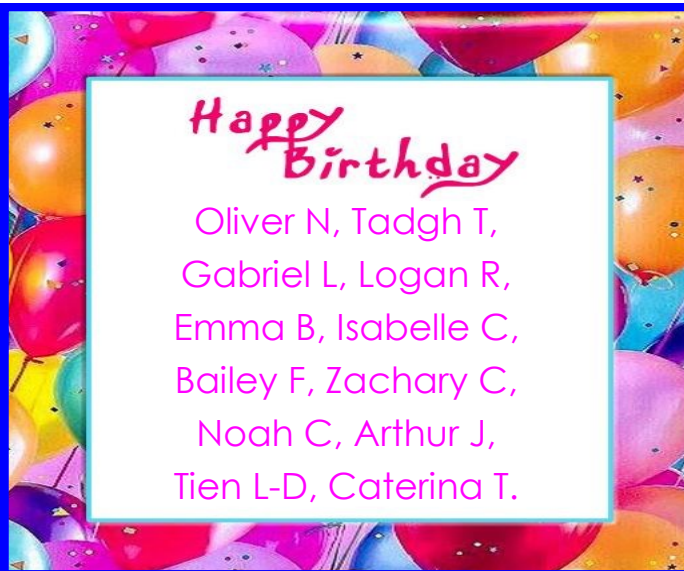
In a fantastic collective worship led by Year 4 St.Osmund class on Tuesday this week, we learnt more about this year's theme and how our actions and behaviours towards others, can support respectful relationships and allow each other to thrive.

We also practised this year's Anti Bullying week pledge:

'I chose, you choose, we choose RESPECT'.

Now our challenge is to ensure that we all, children and adults alike, model this every day, in every way to make SJF the best it can be.

Enjoy a wonderful weekend everyone.



Letters Home:

EYFS Nativity Arrangements—YrR
Christmas Pack—Whole School
EYFS Nativity Download—YrN/YrR

Caterlink

New Autumn / Winter
menu from 4th November
[Click HERE for menu](#)

Designated Safeguarding Leaders

Ms J Kenna *DSL,*
Mrs C Ellerker *Deputy DSL,*
Miss C Higgins *Deputy DSL*



If you have any concerns about a child please contact school@st-johnfisher.merton.sch.uk

PTFA Update - Friday 15th November

A huge thank you to everyone who came out on Friday for our second PTFA Quiz Night! It was a fantastic success, and after a thrilling tie-breaker round, the staff team "Lessons Learned" claimed the win! Congratulations to them and to all the teams who helped raise over £1,600 for the school

The **Christmas Fair Pack** was sent out this week ready for the lead up to the big day in just over 2 weeks time on Saturday 30th November 12-3pm! For a reminder of what is needed and when - see the **PTFA Info Summary sheet below**.

Thank you to those who have already signed up to volunteer on their class stalls. We will also be needing lots of help prior to the day, so if you haven't already and would like to **help with collections, sorting and set-up for the fair**, please sign up on the same volunteer sheet:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1-Huaz-a7cgTOFr2ha-xnWkPIPZq3kmTdgx48uMHcLUE/edit?usp=sharing>

| <i>WHAT?</i> | <i>WHERE?</i> | <i>WHEN?</i> |
|--|---|---|
| Hamper Donation | Classrooms | From now until Friday 29th November |
| Grotto booking form & money | Post Box outside office | By Friday 22nd November |
| Pre-loved toys & games Alternative tombola donation Selection box, advent calendar or Christmas Chocolate | PTFA drop-off point (next to Site Manager's house) | Every day w/c 25th November from 8:30 - 8:50am |
| Bottle for tombola (soft or alcoholic) | PTFA drop-off point (next to Site Manager's house) | Friday 29th November from 8:30 - 8:50am |

On Tuesday Year 3 went to the cinema as part of the Into Film Festival 2024 to see *The Inseparables*. It was a really good film with lots of important messages:

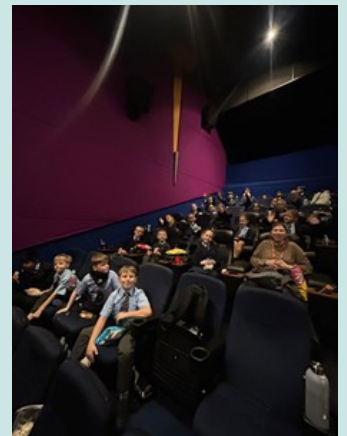
- Life is better when you use your imagination
- Don't let people limit what you want to do
- Working together is always better than trying to solve problems alone
- You can be friends with anyone!

We had a great time and loved sitting in the comfy seats eating our delicious snacks whilst we watched the film!



Year 4 had a wonderful time at the Into Film Festival.

They watched the film 'Migration', which showcased the importance of bravery and stepping outside your comfort zone!



On Thursday we went to the Vue cinema at Fulham Broadway. We watched *IF* with lots of other schools. We were on the top rows watching all of the creatures that the creator has made up. Some people found it interesting to see the actors overcome the challenges. We all got to bring some snacks. Overall it was a great trip and lots of people had fun!

By Tilly and Samuel, Yr6



BUILD BETTER LEARNING

These pupils always provide support and encouragement to light up the lives of others.

St Scholastica - Sonia R

St Aidan - Alicia H

St Ninian - Dillon

St Teresa - Lilly

St James - Ted V

St Osmund - Sophia D

St Hugh - Eloise D

St Nicholas - Eva N

St Francis - Tadgh

St Ignatius - Callum

St Susanna - Agnes

St Helena - Isabelle C

St Elizabeth - Noah G

St Rose - James B

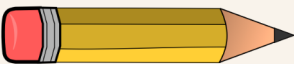
Nursery - Rafe

Attendance Percentage
week beginning
4th November 2024

| Class | Week commencing 04/11/24 | Week commencing 21/10/24 |
|----------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| St Rose | 98.50 | 95.80 |
| St Elizabeth | 97.80 | 98.10 |
| St Susanna | 96.30 | 91.70 |
| St Helena | 97.90 | 96.90 |
| St Francis | 97.70 | 95.00 |
| St Ignatius | 98.70 | 97.50 |
| St Nicholas | 98.80 | 98.70 |
| St Hugh | 94.60 | 98.20 |
| St James | 95.80 | 97.60 |
| St Osmund | 96.30 | 99.70 |
| St Teresa | 93.30 | 96.30 |
| St Ninian | 99.30 | 99.10 |
| St Aidan | 93.10 | 96.60 |
| St Scholastica | 92.50 | 95.50 |
| Overall | 96.32 | 96.80 |

Big Pencil

Jayden
St Susanna



Attendance Alligator

St Ninian




Manners Mole

Vivienne
St Ignatius



Punctuality Panda

St Ignatius



THE GOSPEL IN CHURCH Sunday 10th November 2024



Jesus said, "Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted with respect in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive." He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over but she, from the little she had, has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on."

Adapted from Mark 12:38-44
The 32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year B

Getting to know Jesus makes life joyful.
Learn more about this Sunday's Gospel in your local Parish Church: all are very warmly invited.



POPPIES and REMEMBRANCE

Our annual Garden of Remembrance has become a special place not just for our school but for all those in our community who may pass it and take a moment to remember those who gave so much in the past and those who are suffering now, as conflicts continue to bring hardship and loss.

On Monday the whole school gathered together to take time to 'reflect' and give honour during our two minutes silence.



Has your child missed their Flu vaccine?

Come down to our walk-in flu catch-up clinic and protect your child this winter!

Date: Saturday 23 November

Time: 10:00-14:00

Venue: The New Horizon Centre, Mitcham, CR4 1LT

Date: Saturday 7 December

Time: 10:00-14:00

Venue: 5th Sutton (St Barnabas) Scout Hall, SM1 4JN

Call 020 3903 3371 or 020 3903 3373

for more information

No appointment needed!

Thank you!

The PTFA are very excited with the shiny, new, non-leaky storage containers! We would like to thank everyone involved in unpacking and dismantling the old sheds, strimming nettles and cutting branches, moving and building the new flat pack containers and repacking them with all our boxes this week!

From this.....



To this.....



On Wednesday two teams of Yr5 pupils went to Ursuline High School for the Covent Garden Business Challenge to create a product to sell in the Apple Market at Covent Garden.

Firstly we met our Yr12 mentors who would guide us through our difficult challenge and to help us make the best product we could possibly make. Next, we chose our roles which were Chief Executive, Marketing Director, Finance Director, Product Designer and two Art Directors. Once we knew our roles we started brainstorming what our products could be.

Once we found our product we made speeches and posters about our product. Finally we went on stage and presented our product to the judges and the audience.

One of our teams came first place on the semi-finals and next Thursday they are going to Covent Garden to sell their product!



Children in Yr1 have enjoyed learning about Diwali. They made rangoli patterns and firework pictures to represent 'light over dark'.

They also used tissue paper to make poppies for Remembrance day.



Do you have a bit of time and a love for adventure?

Brown Owl at St. John Fisher Church could use a helping hand with the very popular Brownies group (Monday evenings).

If you're up for weekly fun and making a difference, they would **love** to hear from you.

Please email brownowl3rdmorden@gmail.com for more information.

