



Headlines

St John Fisher R.C. Primary School Spring Term 2024/25

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Week Beginning – 3rd February 2025

Children's' Mental Health Week

Monday 3rd

School Tour for prospective families 9:45am

Tuesday 4th

St Ignatius Collective Worship 9am (parents and carers of pupils in 2STI are welcome to attend)

Yr3-Yr6 Gymnastics Borough Competition

Wednesday 5th

Thursday 6th

Friday 7th

NSPCC—Number Day (see Page 2)

Movie afternoon AIR house

Workshare Weekend (Yr1-Yr5)

On Sunday this week the church will celebrate the festival of 'Candlemas'; celebrating when Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the Temple in Jerusalem.

It was a Jewish tradition that the first born male in any family was presented to God 40 days after their birth and therefore Candlemas is celebrated on 2nd February which is 40 days after Christmas Day.

The Gospel of Luke tells us that when Mary and Joseph took Jesus to the Temple, they met an old man called Simeon.

Simeon had been told by the Holy Spirit that he would not die until he had seen the Saviour.

Simeon took Jesus in his arms and called him 'The Light of the World.'

In a world that often seems to be dominated by bad news and stories of grief or sadness, this festival (particularly coming at the end of the long, dark month of January) is a much welcome opportunity for hope.

In school, and supported by our 'Respectful Citizen' focus, we remind ourselves regularly, of our ability to be a light in the world for others.

Whilst big gestures and shows of appreciation can be welcomed, it is often by 'doing the little things' that we bring our light to others.

A smile, an unexpected cup of tea and offer of help when someone is struggling—these are all ways we can model for our children and in our community, that we can each be a light in the world to others.

Shine your lights brightly this weekend everyone.

Happy Birthday

Benjamin C, Ben W, Isabella G,
Aviana LKT, Noah V,
Florence McC, Zefyros C,
Grace M, Erin V, Jack R,
Clementine D, Maria Isadora
MDeSa, Leon G, Seraphina S,
Frankie W, Evie W.

Letters Home:

NCMP Consent—YrR & Yr6

Sancta Familia Update—Whole School

Caterlink

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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 safeguarding@st-johnfisher.merton.sch.uk

Yr6 Parent/Carer Teacher Meetings

Due to staff availability these meetings will now take place on Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th March.

Appointments will be available to book closer to the time.

THE GOSPEL IN CHURCH Sunday 2nd February 2025



When the day came for them to be purified as laid down by the Law of Moses, the parents of Jesus took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord and, in accordance with the Law, they offered two young pigeons in sacrifice. Now in Jerusalem there was a man named Simeon. He was an upright and devout man and it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death until he had set eyes on the Christ of the Lord. Prompted by the Spirit he came to the Temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the Law required, he took him into his arms and blessed God; and he said: "Now, Master, you can let your servant die in peace, just as you promised; because my eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared for all the nations to see, a light to enlighten the pagans and the glory of your people Israel." Jesus' parents took him back to Nazareth where Jesus grew to maturity, and he was filled with wisdom; and God's favour was with him.

*Adapted from Luke 2:22-40
The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord*

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



Friday 7th February

This coming Friday SJF are pleased to be taking part in the NSPCC 'Number Day'.

Number day is a great opportunity for children to celebrate all things mathematical whilst raising money for a good cause.

On Friday we are encouraging all children to come to school wearing an item of clothing inspired by all things MATHS. This could be a t-shirt, hat or even hair decoration that has been decorated with numbers, shapes, patterns and mathematical symbols. On this occasion please leave your football shirts at home—the focus is numbers, not footy.

Please do NOT feel that any special outfit or costume needs to be purchased; put your £ on your outfit not in someone else's pocket.

Please see the photos for some simple ideas that might help to inspire you and your child.

As this is a fundraising event we would ask that if at all possible your child bring in a £1 donation (in cash to be given to the class teacher) that will support the work of the NSPCC.



BUILD BETTER LEARNING

W/C 20th January 2025

These pupils use their phonic knowledge and spelling strategies successfully in their writing.

St Scholastica – Sean

St Aidan – Greta

St Ninian – Mikias

St Teresa – Sophie

St James – Luca FD

St Osmund – Sienna C

St Hugh – Marco

St Nicholas – Annabelle A

St Francis – Leo K

St Ignatius – Juliette

St Susanna – Marcus

St Helena – Zeffy

St Elizabeth – Lennox

St Rose – Kevin

Nursery – Sophia D

Attendance w/c 20th January 2025

| Class | Week commencing 20/01/25 | Week commencing 13/01/25 |
|-------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| St Elizabeth | 88.50 | 99.10 |
| St Rose | 90.70 | 91.80 |
| St Helena | 89.60 | 98.80 |
| St Susanna | 89.30 | 93.70 |
| St Francis | 99.30 | 88.10 |
| St Ignatius | 96.70 | 90.10 |
| St Hugh | 96.00 | 95.60 |
| St Nicholas | 95.50 | 95.80 |
| St James | 93.60 | 98.30 |
| St Osmund | 94.30 | 94.40 |
| St Ninian | 95.50 | 93.80 |
| St Teresa | 95.00 | 94.00 |
| St Aidan | 96.30 | 99.30 |
| St Scholastica | 98.60 | 95.20 |
| Overall | 87.11% | 94.85% |

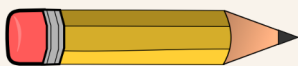
Responsibility Raccoon

Naya
St Osmund



Big Pencil

Sinit D
St Helena



Attendance Alligator

St Francis



Manners Mole

Arthur
Nursery



Punctuality Panda

St Teresa



IMPORTANT NOTICE

As you may have noticed this week there has been a local police and traffic enforcement presence in the proximity of SJF at the beginning and end of the school day.

This is due to the number of complaints that have been received recently regarding the behaviour of some parents/carers who drive to drop off and collect children.

As well as blocking driveways and pavements there have also been incidents of cars stopping on the zigzag lines to allow children to get out and drivers 'jumping' the red traffic light, as well as poor road safety awareness when using the pedestrian crossing.

The police have asked to inform all parents and carers that penalty notices (including 3 penalty points on licence) will be issued to drivers regarding the above.

Please always remember the safety of all of our school community and local residence. The behaviour of everyone is seen as a reflection of SJF.

Year 2 have loved inventing their own superheroes this week in English.



PTFA DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES



BINGO NIGHT
FRIDAY 28th FEBRUARY



SPRING DISCOS
FRIDAY 14th MARCH



PRE-LOVED UNIFORM SALE
FRIDAY 21st MARCH



MAKEOVER DAY
SUNDAY 27th APRIL



SUMMER FAIR
SATURDAY 5th JULY

REMINDERS

EASYFUNDRAISING



CLOTHES RECYCLING BIN



MATCH FUNDING



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BINGO NIGHT

FRIDAY, 28TH FEBRUARY

£10pp on ParentPay

*Ticket price includes Bingo and portion of chips!
Selection of alcoholic & soft drinks available on the night!*

DOORS OPEN 7.15PM
BINGO STARTS 7.45PM