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## **NEWSLETTER**

**Friday 22nd October 2021**

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*Dear Parents,*

Although children are not in school today, when we would usually have Celebration Assembly, I visited classrooms yesterday to give out the awards and hear about the children's favourite learning of the week.

**Reception** children have had a lot of fun exploring pumpkins and developing their fine motor skills. I have been very impressed with how their handwriting and mark making is improving too.

**Year 1** have enjoyed phonics bingo (of course!) and their music day. They have been learning all about pulse and rhythm.

**Year 2** were still celebrating this afternoon after their spelling bee success – see later in the newsletter! They have also enjoyed mixing primary colours as part of their artwork.

**Year 3** have mixed art and RE to produce some stunning paintings of golden temples; they look fantastic!

**Year 4** have had enjoyed their computing work today where they have been creating their own presentations. They also named their swimming lesson and history work on the Romans as their highlights of the week.

**Year 5** loved their visit to outdoor Ted! They were full of great tales of orienteering, den building and team games during their trip on Monday.

**Year 6** children have enjoyed their Judaism work in RE this week. They also enjoyed creating balances in gymnastics and playing football in PE.

Virtue to Live By:

Thankfulness

*I am grateful for all I have  
and praise God for all he  
has given me.*

**Children who showed  
The virtue of  
Thankfulness**

Reception – Saoirse F  
Year 1 – Riley B  
Year 2 – Emily O  
Year 3 – Hannah C  
Year 4 – Elsie M  
Year 5 – Louis M  
Year 6 – Sam M

**Leader in Me - Synergy**



Reception – Evan B  
Year 1 – Abigail H  
Year 2 – Dylan F  
Year 3 – Isaac M  
Year 4 – Erin S  
Year 5 – Savannah A  
Year 6 – Thomas H

Congratulations to all of this week's award winners!

**Team Points**

Congratulations to this week's team point winners Kirkstall! Please see the twitter page for a picture of the victorious captain with the trophy!

**Good Shepherd Celebration at Leeds Cathedral**

Yesterday, I was accompanied by our worship leaders, Elsie and Isla, to attend the Good Shepherd celebration at Leeds cathedral. This was to present fundraising from a non-uniform day last academic year. It was a lovely service and a good opportunity for the children to talk with Bishop Marcus about our fundraising and foodbank.

**Spelling Bee**

Congratulations to Year 2 who are the Spelling Bee winners this half term with an average score of 17.1 points! Well done, Year 2! They were presented with the spelling bee trophy after Singing Liturgy. See twitter for a picture of a thrilled representative of Year 2! Well done to everyone for working so hard on these challenging words. We are all very impressed with the improvements that the children have made. There will be a new set of spelling bee words given out for the next half-term.

**Young Voices Choir Club**

The focus song for half-term is the Lion King medley. Please try to learn this by heart over the next week, It is really important that the children practise at home as well as during choir club. The music files can be found on <https://www.youngvoices.co.uk/music-room> using the passcode:YV2021. They can also be found on the music page of our school website: [Ss Peter and Paul Catholic Primary - Music \(sspeterandpaulyeaddon.co.uk\)](http://Ss Peter and Paul Catholic Primary - Music (sspeterandpaulyeaddon.co.uk))

**World Faith Week**

All children in school this week have enjoyed learning about Other World Faiths. They have studied the following world religions, learning about key traditions and people of the faith:

Reception - Hinduism  
Year 1, Year 4 & Year 6 - Judaism  
Year 2 & Year 5 - Islam  
Year 3 – Sikhism

Please look at the RE page on the school website to see knowledge organisers explaining what each class have been learning about!

<https://www.sspeterandpaulyeaddon.co.uk/curriculum-1/religious-education>

**Sport**

**LSAA Cross Country League**

Well done to the 6 children who took part in the cross country league meet on Saturday. They all did very well. Thank you to Miss Cooper for giving up her time to set up the course and cheer on

our runners. If you think your child would like to take part in the future races, please check the email that was sent via ParentMail on the 4th October to all of KS2.

### **Boys' Football**

Unfortunately, both our U11 and Y5/6 boys' football matches had to be cancelled this week. These matches will be re-arranged though with the same children who missed out on playing this time being picked again.

### **U11 Boys' Football**

Good luck to our U11 boys' football team who have a cup match away against Holy Family on the Thursday after half term.

### **Girls' Football**

Good luck also to our U11 girls' football team who have their latest league match at home to Newlraiths, Horsfoth on the Friday after half term.

**Thank you** for all your support with school sport this half term. Despite this week's cancellations, we have had a great first half-term of sport with 62 different children representing the school for sport so far this year. We've lots more planned for next half-term!

### **KS2 Outdoor Ted Trips**

Y5 had an amazing day at Outdoor Ted on Monday. There are pictures and videos on twitter showing all the wonderful outdoor activities that the children took part in. The children were well behaved and showed great enthusiasm for all their tasks. Thank you to Mrs Ripley, Miss Wilson and our parent volunteers who accompanied and supported the children during the day.

### **Class Charity – Year 5**

As you will know, Year 5 have been raising money for their class charity, Winston's Wish. Their event for this year was a successful PJ and fitness day on Wednesday. They raised a fantastic £90.93 for their charity! Well done and a big thank you to everyone that donated.

### **Poppy Appeal**

We have had a delivery of poppies and other items. These will be available to purchase after half term from the school office.

### **Term Time Holidays**

We have had a sharp rise in requests for holiday leave during term time. Although we are sympathetic to the issues around re-arranging holidays following Covid, we are not able to authorise these holidays.

The following are examples of the DFE criteria for leave of absence, which may be considered as 'exceptional':

- Service personnel returning from active deployment.
- Where inflexibility of the parents' leave or working arrangement is part of the organisational or company policy. This would need to be evidenced by the production or confirmation from the organisation/company.
- Where leave is recommended as part of a parents' or child's rehabilitation from medical or emotional problems. Evidence must be provided.
- When a family needs to spend time together to support each other during or after a crisis.

Please note: Headteachers would not be expected to class any term time holidays as exceptional.

### **After School Clubs**

After school clubs for Autumn Term 2 will be as follows:

Monday – Young Voices Choir

Tuesday – Reception and KS1 Gymnastics (MVMNT) **\*\*NEW\*\***

Wednesday – Drama with Lynne Malone

Thursday – KS2 Gymnastics (Total Sports) **\*\*NEW\*\***

Friday – Whole School Dance (Inspiration Tree)

Letters have been sent home via Parent Mail for the 2 gymnastics classes, please check your account.

### **Online Safety/Squid Games**

Please read the link below carefully in relation to the Netflix Series 'Squid Game'.

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/wakeupwednesday/squid-game-trending-across-platforms-what-parents-need-to-know>

### **School Newspaper**

We are making a start on the autumn edition of the school newspaper. If you have any home achievements you would like to add, please email [newspaper@ssppyeadon.org](mailto:newspaper@ssppyeadon.org).

### **Travelling Rosary**

As we mentioned last week, children have now begun bringing the travelling Rosary home. The Rosary will come home with your oldest child. When your child brings the Rosary pack home, please try and set time aside to pray the Rosary as a family - there are some instructions in the pack to help you. **Please remember to return the pack to school the following day** to enable us to have time to send the pack home to each family. Inside each Rosary pack is also a colouring booklet which your child may take out of the pack and keep (a new colouring booklet will be put in the pack each day so that every family has one by the end of October). The colouring booklet focus on the 'Mysteries of Light' or the 'Luminous Mysteries.' In order to draw more attention to Christ as the centre of the rosary, Pope John Paul II suggested an additional set of mysteries. These Mysteries focus on five events in the public life of Jesus - The Baptism of Jesus, the Wedding Feast at Cana, the Proclamation of the Kingdom, The Transfiguration and the Eucharist.

### **Parents' Evening**

Thank you for attending parents' evening this week. If you were unable to attend, please contact the school office and we can arrange an alternative date.

### **Spooky Disco – FOSPAP**

The Spooky Disco was a big success. A huge thankyou to FOSPAP for organising and running the event; the children had a great time! FOSPAP are still in the process of counting the funds, and we will let you know the grand total that was raised in due course. We can say though that the funds raised from the disco have enabled us to pay the travelling pantomime to visit school and perform Dick Whittington on the 3<sup>rd</sup> December to the whole school! A big thank you to everyone who organised and supported the event to enable us to book the pantomime!

### **FOSPAP PTA Vacancies**

Sadly, Mrs Scott has resigned from her position as chairperson of FOSPAP PTA. Mrs Scott has been chair for the last 4 years and has spent 16 years on the committee supporting our school so well. Everyone really appreciates all the hard work and expertise that she has shown; this has benefitted the school and children enormously. Thank you.

We are also sorry to report that Mrs Prowse has resigned from her role as secretary after 6 years in the role. A big thank you for all your hard work and support, Mrs Prowse.

Their resignations will come into effect from 17<sup>th</sup> December so we are looking for parents to take over these positions. If you are interested in becoming either chair or secretary and would like more information about this, please contact the school office. The next FOSPAP PTA meeting, when (hopefully!) these roles will be filled, is on Wednesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 7:00pm in school.

### **New Reception Intake – September 2022**

We will be holding an open morning on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November, 10.15am to 11.30am. If you know of anybody that would like to attend, please ask them to call the school office.

### **School Website**

Next half-term, we will be looking to revamp our school website to update and make it more accessible. If you have any suggestions or requests for layout or content, please do email school

– [office@ssppyeadon.org](mailto:office@ssppyeadon.org) – we really value your opinion as we want to make it as useful and helpful for parents as possible. Thank you.

### **Year 6 – Young Apprentice**

Yesterday afternoon our Y6 children have become budding entrepreneurs! They have each been given a £4 loan to start their own businesses! They will create their own product or service and will be working on this until the middle of January when they will repay their loan, submit their profits and present their businesses to the panel! The children will use the profits for their class charity, school, local community, wider world and themselves! They are very excited about this! Good luck, Year 6!

### **Year 6 – Residential to Robinwood**

Thank you for all the deposit payments for Robinwood. Please remember that ParentPay is open for you to make payments as and when you need to.

### **Volunteers**

We are pleased to be able to welcome volunteers back into school now. If you would be interested in volunteering, please contact the school office. This could be to help with admin tasks, support learning or listen to readers. Thank you.

### **Calendar Dates**

Please have a look at the calendar on the school website for a number of key dates and events that will be taking place this term.

### **Notices from The Parish**

#### **Children's Liturgy**

We have a small team of Catechists who work on a rota presenting Children's Liturgy at 11.00 mass. We hope to re-start again soon!

We urgently need more helpers to come and join us, no experience is necessary just a willingness to share faith, patience and a sense of humour. You will not be expected to lead a group on your own but offer support to the present leaders.

Please contact: Karen hall 07963128448 [jozzerkaren@hotmail.com](mailto:jozzerkaren@hotmail.com)

#### **Bereavement Support Group**

If you have been bereaved and would like someone to talk to then come to our support group sessions. The next session is in the Parish centre at 10.00 a.m. on Saturday 23rd October. We are not here to counsel but to offer a friendly listening group that you can talk to in confidence if you wish.

*Have a great half-term. Thank you for all your support.*

*Mr. Power*

*Headteacher*