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NEWSLETTER

'With Jesus at the centre of all we do and say'

Father Firth performs Baptism Key Stage 1

Father Firth visited school to perform a mock Baptism on our Class doll. Class 1 and Class 2 joined together and the children chose the name Elijah. It was a wonderful experience for the children.

At the same time our school mascot bear was blessed and named by our school children as Jo. The bear will be used on many future occasions as our school mascot. Thank you to Father Firth for all his support in school.



School Council and Pupil Parliament lead assembly

On Monday school council did an assembly on trust. They did it on trust because it is our school value. They put together a role play, Gospel reading, prayers and a slide show. The aim of the assembly was to tell us what trust means.

To build trust you have to be reliable, helpful, mature and understanding.

Written by Archie Brown Class 5



Mr.G. Brennan visits class 3

Mr G. Brennan visited Class 3 and shared information about Barnoldswick's 'Spud Roaster'- the train that ran from Barnoldswick to Earby. He showed the children a series of fascinating and original photos so that the children could answer historical questions. The children learnt lots and would like to say a big thank you to Mr Brennan!

Welcome to Miss Shekleton in Class 4

Miss Shekleton has settled quickly into school and thank you to everyone for making her so welcome. We are pleased to have her on our team.

Children's University

We are now officially part of Children's University. Over 50 children are already using their passports to collect stamps. Children's University encourages children to try new learning experiences outside of school hours-this can be at after school clubs, at museums, sport groups etc. So many of our children already participate in a wealth of activities-what a better way to celebrate this by receiving a reward at a special venue in the summer! Perhaps your parents went to university? Can they remember their graduation? If you wish to get a passport or know more about this, please ask Mrs Wood or at the school office.



Class 1 Assembly

Class 1 led an assembly based on the story 'Jonah and the Whale' to the whole school and families.

They all worked hard, remembered lines, sang a song and ended their assembly with a sign language prayer. Well done Class 1 you made your families and staff very proud!

Dates for your diary

Good Shepherd Dates-

Class 5– 21st February

Class 3– 28th February

Class 4– 7th March

Class 1– 14th March

Class 2– 21st March

Winmarleigh- 21st– 23rd March
(Years 4 to 6)

Palm Sunday Mass-25th March- Whole school Mass

Parent's Evening-
27th and 28th March

School closes– 29th March at **1.30pm**
and re-opens on 16th April at 8.45am (or 8am for breakfast club)

Thank you to Barnoldswick Library

Class 1 and Class 2 visited our local library this term as it was 'Storytellers Week.' We received a warm welcome from the library staff. The children loved the stories and are keen to visit again.



Sports News

What an amazing night the Year 3/4's have had at Fishermore taking part in an athletics event. All the children were fantastic, with great determination and team spirit! Final result First Place!



Governors News

Over the last few months you will have seen many contractors on site carrying out a number of projects that the Governing Body of St. Joseph's have planned for. The glass on interior windows and doors has now all been replaced with fire safety glazing and freshened up with new paintwork. School has been fitted with a number of new uPVC windows and metal doors which provides extra security and insulation. The cladding around the outside of school has been replaced with long lasting uPVC cladding. The final phase of the flat roof has been replaced and completed. Most of these projects have been the result of successful bids to Lancashire County Council, working alongside Leeds Diocese. School has to pay 10% of the project bid which has totalled £6722 this year so far. If you would like to know more about our Governing Body please see our school website page called 'Our Governors' under the welcome tab.

Athletics Year 5 and 6

We took part in the athletic finals at Pendle Vale. All the children were amazing putting in 100% effort with superb determination!

After finding out the results today it all paid off and we were placed 2nd putting us through to the county finals! Very proud of you all!



Good Shepherd

Following half term we will be beginning our Good Shepherd Appeal. The children always love to be involved as do many parents.

Please see the 'Dates for your Diary' for your child's Class times.

Reminder

Please may we remind the parents of children who have packed lunches that nuts, sweets and chocolates are not allowed. They may bring in other items for example: fruit, crisps, yoghurts, cereal bars, small cake bars etc. This is part of our school policy to encourage our children to eat a healthy and balanced diet. If you require any further details please look at our school prospectus on the website at: www.st-josephs-barlick.lancs.sch.uk.

If you have any queries regarding items on this newsletter please see Mrs. De Carteret (Deputy Headteacher)

