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NEWSLETTER

Thursday 25th October 2018

Mass in Church with Confession (9.30 a.m.) – Autumn Term 2018

Class	Date
Year 5	Monday 10 th December
Year 4	Wednesday 12 th December
Year 6	Monday 17 th December

Mass in the Classroom

Class	Date
Year 5	Tuesday 27 th November – 2:30pm

Children taking a lead in Mass on a Sunday with the Parish

Date
Sunday 2 nd December at 11:00am

Courtesy

The virtue for November is Courtesy, you might like to say this prayer together as a family. Loving Father, I thank you for creating us the way we are: all equal in our right to achieve our own personal best and for the opportunity life gives us to grow in self-confidence respect and a greater love of ourselves. Let us remember others also have this right. May we spread your love all around.

WWI THEMED FORTNIGHT – 5th NOVEMBER to 16th NOVEMBER

Monday 5 th November	Poetry and Poppies' workshop provided by West End in Schools with each class participating in their own workshop throughout the day with a final workshop for parents at 2:25pm, this is earlier than previously advertised . The cost of these workshops to school is £539.
Thursday 8 th and Friday 9 th November	One Day Creative will be in school to work with the children in drama workshops and the cost to school for these sessions is £695
Friday the 16 th November	A performance of a WW1 play by Years 4 & 5. There will also be an opportunity to visit all the classrooms and see what the children have been learning. So please put 2:30 p.m. 16 th November in your diary if you are able.

TRAINING DAY/LEADER IN ME

Please remember Friday 26th October is a training day and so school will be closed to children. Staff will be in school learning about the 7 habits of effective people. We hope to introduce this to the pupils after January. In order for parents to share the school vision we will be putting on a parent meeting. Please note this in your diary now – this programme will give us a common language to speak to the children both at home and in school. It is a very important meeting, to launch the scheme which we hope will build resilience in our children, ensure that they are proactive and responsible and to strengthen mental health for the future. I do hope as many of you as possible will attend.

Parents Information Meeting Wednesday 9th January 2019 at 6:30pm.

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WEAR YOUR BRIGHT CLOTHES TO SCHOOL DAY

Thank you on behalf of Gracie to all who donated money and toys for the Paediatric Neurology Ward at LGI. We raised £201 which will be put to very good use by the team on ward 52.

YEAR 5 - AMPLEFORTH RESIDENTIAL

There will be an information evening regarding the residential trip to Ampleforth, this will take place in school on Thursday 8th November at 3:30 p.m. Medical questionnaires have been sent home this week, please complete these and return to Mrs Filarowski at the information evening.

The 3rd instalment of £20 is due to be paid by the end of October and you are now able to make this payment on ParentPay.

SCHOOL CHOIR

There are still spaces to join the school choir on Thursdays after school, for children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. The choir starts after school until 4pm and there is a small charge of £5 per half term to cover the cost of producing materials. If your child would like to join, please complete the letter sent home last week. After half-term we will be practising Christmas songs and will take part in events such as the Yeadon lights switch on.

Please note that there will not be a Choir session after school on Thursday 25th October due to Parents' Evening.

TAPESTRY – RECEPTION CLASS

All parents, of children in Reception, should now have received your activation email for Tapestry. This will have been sent to the email address that we hold on record for the contact who is priority 1. If you have not received an email, please contact the school office.

YEAR 6 – APPLICATION FOR A PLACE AT SECONDARY SCHOOL

Reminder that the deadline for secondary school applications to be submitted to Leeds City Council is Wednesday 31st October. Please see attachments with the newsletter. Please ensure you fill in one form for St Mary's and one for Leeds. If you fail to do this your child will **not be given a place at St Mary's**.

YEAR 4 VISIT TO YORKSHIRE WATER – TUESDAY 6TH NOVEMBER

Year 4 will be visiting Yorkshire Water Treatment Works in Headingley on Tuesday 6th November. The coach will depart at approx. 9:00 a.m. and will return for the end of the school day. School uniform should be worn and a packed lunch is required.

YEAR 1 VISIT TO TROPICAL WORLD – THURSDAY 8TH NOVEMBER

Year 1 will be visiting Tropical World on Thursday 8th November, the coach will depart at approx. 9:00 a.m. and will return for the end of the school day. School uniform is not required but children should wear appropriate clothing (cooler clothing for inside and warm clothes for outside), a packed lunch will be provided.

PARENT GYM

The taster session went very well, it is still not too late to sign up for the sessions which start on Wednesday 7th November at 1:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. for 6 weeks, please contact the school office if you would like to attend.

LITTLE CHEFS COOKING PROGRAMME

There is a parent and child cooking programme running at Benton Park starting on Wednesday 7th November for 4 weeks from 4:00 p.m. to 5:45 p.m. for children aged 5-11. This round of little chefs will be focusing on healthy cooking, positive mealtimes, kitchen skills, healthy living information and quality parent/carer and child time together.

There is a Facebook page where families can see pictures from previous programmes to get an idea of the types of activities involved: <https://www.facebook.com/familychefsleeds>. If this is something that you would like to be involved in, please contact the school office.

SVP CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION – NATIVITY THEME

Ss. Peter and Paul SVP are looking for a new design for the Christmas cards they send out to the people they visit in the Parish. There will be a prize for the winning design and that design will then be printed onto the SVP Christmas cards. If your child would like to enter, their Nativity themed design should be in school by Friday 9th November at the latest. Thank you *Mrs King*

FLU IMMUNISATION

If you have signed up online for your child to have the flu immunisation in school, this will take place on Wednesday 12th December for children in years Reception to Year 5.

LEEDS CITY COUNCIL TRAVEL TEAM SAFETY MESSAGE

Be safe and be seen this autumn/winter, that is the message from Leeds City Council's Influencing Travel Behaviour Team. This message coincides with the end of Daylight Saving Time: at 2am, the clocks will go back by one hour on Sunday, 28th October, please see the link below which focuses on keeping safe when out and about this Halloween and bonfire night:

<https://saferroadsleeds.wordpress.com/2018/10/23/be-bright-be-seen-october-clock-change/>

SCHOOL MEALS – CHANGE TO MENU

Please note that on the week 3 menu, the beef lasagne will be changing to spaghetti Bolognese after half term.

BOOK BAGS

We have now received the new delivery of Keystage 2 book bags. If you have purchased one of these bags on ParentPay please collect from the school office.

SCHOOL DISCO

Many thanks to the FOSPAP for organising the disco. I did hear that the KS1 disco was a wonderful joyful event but the KS2 disco was 'very hard work' for the organisers. A number of the committee members had to 'speak' to other children even though their parents were at the disco. As you can imagine nobody wants to tell anyone else's children off. A number of children were running up and down the corridor, kicking the toilet doors (broke the lock) in and out of what we call the Blue Room. At the next disco we would ask all parents to remain in the hall (not chatting in the library) and ask everyone to watch (and even dance) with their own children ensuring that everyone including the committee members have a nice time.

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WIZARD OF OZ DVD

The DVDs are now available to collect from school. If you ordered a DVD by making a payment on ParentPay last academic year, please collect from the school office.

WEEKLY AWARDS

'John Paul II Foundation for Sport' Virtue of Honesty

Reception – Molly B.
Year 1 – Jessica L.
Year 2 – Chloe W.
Year 3 – Isabella F.
Year 4 – Alex C.
Year 5 – Oliver D.
Year 6 – Harry N.

'Mathletics – Best in Class'

Reception – James S.
Year 1 - Yakub P-H.
Year 2 - Ethan S.
Year 3 - Isla McL.
Year 4 - Christopher K.
Year 5 - Kya W.
Year 6 - Kian F.

FRIENDS OF Ss. PETER & PAUL

Many thanks to all the children (and parents/carers) who attended the Halloween Disco last Friday. A great time was had by all. A special thanks goes to Mr Holdsworth, being on-site to allow the school to be opened 'out of hours' and also for being Fire Warden for both KS1 & KS2 discos and to Mr McLeer for being a first aider. Without your help and support, along with Committee Members of FOSPAP these events wouldn't be able to be held. The final amount raised will be in the Newsletter after half-term!

The next FOSPAP Meeting will take place on Thursday 8th November 2018, 7pm in School.

NOTICES FROM THE PARISH

Ss. Peter & Paul Got Talent - Entertainment Evening, Saturday 27th October at 6.00 p.m. in the Parish Centre

We are inviting everyone of all ages to come and share their talents with us – singing, dancing, playing instruments, telling jokes, magic etc. or just come along and enjoy the entertainment.

It is a great FREE family social evening and there will be a bar! More info Tel Karen 07963128448

