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'Together with Jesus, we love to learn and learn to love'

Ethos statement for next week: "I know I belong in a community that includes my school."

11th January 2019

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the start of our new term, we wish you all a very happy and prosperous 2019. We hope the Christmas Holidays were enjoyable and provided you with plenty of opportunities for rest and enjoying precious moments with your family. On behalf of all the staff can we thank you for the generous gifts and cards received over Christmas.

Admissions September 2019: All information regarding Admissions for September 2019 can be found on our Website home page. The closing date for receipt of Supplementary Information Forms at the school office is Tuesday January 15th 2019. The online application deadline for Leeds City Council is also January 15th 2019. Parents must complete both forms. Please ensure that you place other Catholic schools in your preferences and that you complete a SIF for each Catholic school that you wish your child to be considered for. If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Hughes in the school office.

Just a few reminders.....

Parking – already this term, we have had complaints from our neighbours and local businesses on parents parking inconsiderately and in private, business parking spaces. I have no magic wand to solve our parking problems. I can only rely on parents being courteous and responsible in their parking. Please do think about others when you park.

Attendance – as a school we are fortunate to have good attendance, however we wish it to be outstanding. The local authority and OFSTED are scrutinising school attendance more closely. Schools must provide evidence that they are monitoring school absence. If your child has irregular attendance and drops below 96% it will involve a meeting with either Mrs Hill or Mrs Phillips. Schools are also required to provide evidence of children who are absent on the first and/or last day of a term to ensure families have not been on unauthorised holiday. We thank you for your support in this matter.

Punctuality – children should not be left unsupervised in the playground before 8.45am as legally we are only responsible for children from 8.45am. Children are able to enter school from 8.50am and school starts at 9.00am. Any child who arrives after 9.05am is classed as 'late'.

The table below shows the impact of being regularly late. This only applies to a very small minority. We will continue to monitor children who are regularly late and will work in partnership with the families to try and resolve this issue.

Minutes late per day	Number of days over a year
5 minutes	3.4 days
10 minutes	6.9 days
15 minutes	10.3 days
20 minutes	13.8 days
30 minutes	20.7 days

IHOMSA Meeting – The next IHOMSA meeting will be on Wednesday 16th January at 7pm in school. Everyone is welcome, please come along!

IHOMSA 100 Club – Letters have been resent this week about forming a 100 Club in school as a fun way to raise funds throughout the whole year. It will cost £2 a week but at present we have not had enough returns to make it viable. If you are happy to take part in this club then please return the form next week. As they say you have to be in it to win it!

Change of dates – due to circumstances the following KS1 events are being altered. Apologies for any inconvenience.

KS1 Sats Evening– This meeting will now take place on Wednesday 6th February not Thursday 31st January.

Class 1SC Assembly – Please note this will now take place on Friday 22nd March, not Friday 1st March.

Year 4 Herd Farm Meeting – Rather than have a meeting next week which some parents will struggle to get to, we will send further information later this term. We have decided to use mini buses to transport the children to and from Herd Farm so will not need any parent help for this. Thank you to those who offered their time.

Mrs Kent – Congratulations to Mr & Mrs Kent who have announced the exciting news that they are expecting their first baby in July. We're especially delighted that this means Mrs Kent will be in school for the Year 6 SATS!

Family First Magazine – to view a copy of this magazine online please use the following link. You can also follow the magazine on Facebook and nominate our school to win equipment!

http://www.familyfirst.co.uk/family_first_latest

Girl's Football – The team unfortunately suffered a defeat against Shadwell Primary in their play-off to represent West Yorkshire. It was a tight game which the girls put their all into. We now look to continue to do well in the league to make the playoffs at the end of the season. Player of the Match: Alice

HCPT 131 Cake Sale - after 9.30am mass IHOM on Sunday 20th January
If anyone would like to know more about HCPT and travelling with the group at Easter then please speak with one of the group on the day or visit www.hcpt.org.uk . We are also trying to get in touch with S Millar and Ingrid Brien who have won prizes in our Christmas Raffle. Please ring 07980 008 148 to claim your prize!

Recommended Reading – This week's recommendations are:

Year R – The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle

Year 1 – Charlie and Lola by Lauren Child

Year 2 – Mr Wolf's Pancakes by Jan Fearnley

Year 3 – Charlie and The Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl

Year 4 – The Ghost Blades by Anthony Masters

Year 5 – Stormbreaker by Anthony Horowitz
 Year 6 – Millions by Frank Cottrell Boyce

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS – Attend Today Achieve Tomorrow
Can we reach our whole school target of 98%? If we reach 98% our attendance will be Outstanding.

Attendance – Well done to the whole school on achieving 96% attendance.

Year Group	Attendance Wk. Comm 17 th December	
YR	RAG – 93%	RCD – 97%
Y1	1LG – 97%	1LR – 97%
	1SC – 96%	
Y2	2JM – 97%	2HC – 96%
Y3	3GG – 97%	3AW – 92%
Y4	4GB – 94%	4DK – 98%
Y5	5HS – 98%	5JR – 95%
Y6	6FE – 96%	6CK – 93%

Stars of the Week

Congratulations to the following children who have been awarded Star of the Week in their class!

RAG – Will	3AW – Asher	
RCD – Angel	3GG – Rosie	
1LR – Isaac	4GB – Simeon	
1LG – Joseph	4DK – Annabel	
1SC – Gabriella	5JR – Orlaith	
2JM – Leon	5HS – Minnie	
2HC – Enya	6CK – Billy	6FE - Emma

Congratulations to Connie (RAG) and Millie (RCD) who were awarded Star of the Week on the last day of term before Christmas.

Happy Birthday to –

Year R – Ella
 Year 1 – Malachy, Hudson & Jia
 Year 3 – Beth



Forthcoming Events – new dates in bold		
Date	Time	Event
Mon 14 th Jan	9am	Y1 Educational Visit to the Yorkshire Museum
Mon 14 th Jan	9am	4DK Educational Visit to recycling plant
Weds 16 th Jan	9am	Y6 Educational Visit to Yorkshire Wildlife Park
Fri 18 th Jan	9.15am	RAG Class Assembly
Weds 23 rd Jan	6pm	Y6 SATS Information Evening
Fri 25 th Jan	9.15am	1LR Class Assembly
Fri 1 st Feb	9.15am	4GB Class Assembly
Fri 1 st Feb	6.30pm	IHOMSA Bingo Night
Mon 4 th – Thurs 14 th Feb	All Day	Y6 Bikeability
Weds 6th Feb	6pm	Y2 SATS Information Evening – changed from 31st Jan
Fri 8 th Feb	9.15am	2JM Class Assembly
Fri 15 th Feb	9.15am	5JR Class Assembly

Fri 15 th Feb	8.15am	IHOMSA Coffee Morning
Sat 15 th June	TBC	4GB First Holy Communion
Sat 22 nd June	TBC	4DK First Holy Communion

Mrs. A. M. Phillips
Headteacher

A prayer to the Holy Family.

Jesus, Son of God and Son of Mary, bless our family. Graciously inspire in us the unity, peace and mutual love that you found in your own family in the little town of Nazareth.

Mary, Mother of Jesus and Our Mother, nourish our family with your faith and your love. Keep us close to your Son, Jesus, in all our sorrows and joys.

Joseph, Foster-Father to Jesus, guardian and spouse of Mary, keep our family safe from harm. Help us in all times of discouragement or anxiety.

Holy Family of Nazareth, make our family one with you. Help us to be instruments of peace. Grant that love, strengthened by grace, may prove mightier than all the weaknesses and trials through which our families sometimes pass. May we always have God at the centre of our hearts and homes until we are all one family, happy and at peace in our true home with you.

If you are worried or concerned about the wellbeing of any of our pupils please ask to speak to Mrs Phillips, Mrs Hill, Miss Hargreaves or Mrs Roberts.

