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

Ethos statement for next week: "I try to use words that make the world a better place. (Please, sorry, thank you)"

8th February 2019

Dear Parents,

It has been a busy week as always in school. We have received our Academy Order from the DFE and in the next few months the conversion will take place.

We also finalised our Astroturf requirements and work will begin in the February half term in replacing the existing surface. It will probably take 4 weeks to complete. Please see our website for an overview of the new surface. The area near the container units is also getting re-covered. Please pray for good weather!

When we return to school I ask that no parents park in the car park facing the school as lorries will need unobstructed access to the playground. When dropping children at Breakfast Club please use the other side of church and walk up the path.

We have only been able to buy new Astroturf because of the generosity of parents in supporting IHOMSA events and through supporting the school with the Voluntary Contributions Scheme (VCS). If you are not already a member of the VCS you will be receiving a letter today asking for you to join this very important fundraising scheme. £28,000 of VCS money is going towards the cost of the Astroturf. Money received into the VCS fund can only be spent on our school even when we become an Academy and enables the school to maintain and enhance the fabric of the buildings and grounds. If you receive a letter please complete and return the form as soon as possible. It will make a difference to everybody in our school.



2JM Assembly – Congratulations to 2JM for their wonderful and informative assembly on Chinese New Year and for explaining the importance of keeping our promises. The acting, speaking and singing were all superb. Lovely to hear the story of the Pied Piper of Hamelin and Ethan played the recorder with great enthusiasm! Thank you to Mr McLaughlin, Mrs Huckerby and Mrs Kelly for all their hard work in preparing the children.

World Book Day – World Book Day is on Thursday 7th March. There are lots of in-school events planned during the week but on **Thursday 7th the children will come to school in their pajamas** and bring with them their favourite book.

IHOMSA Bingo Night – Thank you to IHOMSA for organising our very successful Bingo Night last Friday. Mr Mark Butler was a superb bingo caller and ensured everyone listened carefully to the numbers being called! A definite date for the diary for next year! A fabulous £400 was raised, thank you to all who came along.

IHOMSA 100 Club – The first draw will take place on Friday 15th February. Good luck to all who have entered!

IHOMSA Coffee Morning – The coffee morning will take place on Friday 15th February from 8.15-9.15am. Please bring any donations of cake (home made or shop bought) into school on Thursday 14th February. Many thanks in advance for your support.

Y4 Northern Ballet Workshops – We were delighted to welcome three members of the Northern Ballet last week. They worked with our Year 4 pupils showing them basic ballet skills including positions of the feet, posture, plies and how to twirl without getting dizzy! Congratulations to Casper, Cameron, Ruairi, Rebecca, Heidi, Eleanor, Pati, John and Andrew who were spotted for their potential and invited to have 5 free ballet lessons with the company. Well done children!

Subsidised school buses - The West Yorkshire Combined Authority organises and subsidises a range of school bus services for around 25,000 pupils and students across West Yorkshire. Changes are planned to these services. Please visit the [Combined Authority's consultation and engagement website](#) and the [Yourvoice](#) website where you can also find out more details about the proposed changes.

Changes to local bus routes – Leeds City Council have asked us to make parents aware that changes are planned to bus routes from Alwoodley to Leeds city centre. For further information about the proposals please go to www.leeds.gov.uk/connectingleeds The deadline for feedback is Friday 15th March 2019.

HCPT 131 Cake Sale - after the 9.30am Mass at IHOM on Sunday 17th February. 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



Sports News – It has been another successful year for our cross country teams! We have had new starters trying out on Saturday mornings and it is great to see some new faces from Year 3 and 4. Most recently, our Year 6 girls team qualified to enter the Leeds City Finals at Temple Newsam. This was a huge success with all performing at their best. A special well done to Evie, who came second! Sam in Year 6 also qualified as a 'wildcard' entry due to his excellent performance in the trials and he came 5th. Here's hoping we have done enough to qualify for the West Yorkshire finals.

Shadwell Cricket Club – If you would like details of The All Stars Junior Programme for ages 5-8 (summer start) or the Indoor Junior (9+) & senior training (March start) please email enquiries@shadwellcc.org.uk

Language Learners French Classes - Would you like your child to gain enthusiasm, have fun and excel in languages? Our classes have been established at Immaculate Heart Primary School for many years. French classes take place each week on a Thursday lunchtime for Year 2 pupils. Our classes are small and interactive; we make learning languages lots of fun! We follow the Award Winning La Jolie Ronde structured programme. We also hold Spanish classes for all ages @ David Lloyd Moortown. For further information please contact Zoë @ Language Learners on 0113 250 0809/07946 577 545 hello@languagelearners.co.uk www.languagelearners.co.uk www.lajolieronde.co.uk

St Patrick's Night Ceilidh – On Saturday 16th March 7-11pm there will be a ceilidh at the Queen's Hall. Tickets are available from the Parish Office Monday-Thursday 9.45am-12.30pm or email parishhalls@gmail.com or phone 07516 705 428. Tickets cost £10 per family, £5 per adult and includes Irish Stew!

St Patrick's Day Parade – The parade will take place on Sunday 17th March in Leeds City Centre and we will be having a float again. Please put the date in your diaries!

Recommended Reading – This week's recommendations are:

Year R – Winnie the Pooh by AA Milne
 Year 1 – The Whisperer by Aleksei Tolstoy
 Year 2 – Grace and Family by Mary Hoffman and Caroline Binch
 Year 3 – The Sheep Pig by Dick King-Smith
 Year 4 – Robi Dobi by Madhur Jaffrey
 Year 5 – Harry and the Wrinklies by Alan Temperley
 Year 6 – The Girl with the Shark's Teeth by Cerrie Burnett

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 98% attendance. Special congratulations to 1SC, 3GG & 5HS who achieved 100%.

Year Group	Attendance Wk. Comm 28 th Jan	
YR	RAG – 98%	RCD – 96%
Y1	1LG – 97%	1LR – 94%
	1SC – 100%	
Y2	2JM – 99%	2HC – 96%
Y3	3GG – 100%	3AW – 97%
Y4	4GB – 98%	4DK – 99%
Y5	5HS – 100%	5JR – 98%
Y6	6FE – 93%	6CK – 97%

Stars of the Week

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

RAG – Aidan	3AW – Eleanor	
RCD – Fonso	3GG – Michelle	
1LR – Isabelle	4GB – Isabella	
1LG – Jude	4DK – Charlotte	
1SC – Rory	5JR – George	
2JM – Betty	5HS – Paige	
2HC – Jack	6CK – George	6FE - Isabella

Happy Birthday to –

Year R – Ignacy & Alaska
 Year 2 – William & Jessica
 Year 3 – Yzabella
 Year 4 – Tom
 Year 5 – Theodore
 Year 6 – Sam



Forthcoming Events – new dates in bold		
Date	Time	Event
Sun 3 rd Feb	9.30am	3GG Enrolment Mass at IHOM Church
Mon 4 th –	All Day	Y6 Bikeability

Thurs 14 th Feb		
Weds 6 th Feb	6pm	Y2 SATS Information Evening
Fri 8 th Feb	9.15am	2JM Class Assembly
Thurs 14 th Feb	2.15pm	Y1 Dinosaur Exhibition
Fri 15 th Feb	8.15am	IHOMSA Coffee Morning
Fri 15 th Feb	9.15am	5JR Class Assembly
Fri 15th Feb	1.15pm	Y5 Debating Competition at Civic Hall
Fri 15th Feb	3.25pm	School closes for half term
Tues 26th Feb	8.45am	School reopens
Fri 1st Mar	All Day	KS2 St David's Merit House Non Uniform Day – Brownies/Cubs etc may wear those uniforms
Thurs 7th Mar	All Day	World Book Day – whole school to wear pajamas
Fri 8 th Mar	9.15am	5HS Class Assembly
Fri 15 th Mar	9.15am	4DK Class Assembly
Fri 15 th Mar	All Day	KS2 St Patrick's Merit House Non Uniform Day – Brownies/Cubs etc may wear those uniforms
Fri 22 nd Mar	9.15am	1SC Class Assembly
Weds 27th & Thurs 28th Mar	3.45-6.45pm	Parent's Consultation Evening
Fri 27 th Mar	9.15am	RCD Class Assembly
Sat 15th June	10am	4GB First Holy Communion
Sat 22nd June	10am	4DK First Holy Communion

Mrs. A. M. Phillips
Headteacher

Prayer

At any time of the day or night we can call on Jesus.
He is always waiting, listening for our call.
What a wonderful blessing.
No phone needed, no e-mails, just a whisper.

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.

