



## ST JOHN THE BAPTIST RC PRIMARY SCHOOL

### A Voluntary Academy

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# Newsletter

February 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024

#### Sunday's Gospel

*"In the morning, long before dawn, He got up and left the house, and went off to a lonely place and prayed there."* Mark 1: 35

#### Half Term Break

School closes at 3 o'clock on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February. We return to school on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February. We hope you have a restful and happy half term.

#### Children's Mental Health Week

This week marks Children's Mental Health Week. The theme this year is My Voice Matters. Pupils will have a special assembly and complete work on the theme.

#### PTFA

The next PTFA event is a Valentine's Disco in the school Hall on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February. Tickets cost £2.50 and there will be a tuck shop with Valentine sweet treats on sale. Tickets are available from the school office.

#### Disco times

Classes 1, 2 and 3 5pm -6pm

Classes 4, 5, 6 and 7 6:15pm -7:15pm

#### Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February is Safer Internet Day. Safer Internet Day is a global campaign to promote the safe and responsible use of technology. This year, learning is based around the theme 'Inspiring change? Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online'. All classes will complete work linked to the theme.

#### Sikh Faith Friend Visit

We welcome a Sikh Faith Friend to school on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February as part of our membership of Building Bridges Burnley.

#### Online Safety Newsletter

We will be sending out a monthly safeguarding letter for parents and carers with this newsletter. It includes tips and advice for keeping safe online.

#### Wear Your Scarf to School Day

To show our support for Children's Mental Health Week, we are asking pupils to wear their scarf to school on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February. They will find out more about this during the week, including the SCARF values - Safety, Caring, Achievement, Resilience and Friendship.

#### Sporting News

Our Indoor Athletics team are in action this week on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February at Spirit of Sport.

#### Family Autism Service

Please see the attached poster for information about the Family Autism Service.

#### Class Prayer and Liturgy

On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February, Class 1 will present their Prayer and Liturgy. Parents, carers and friends are most welcome to join us.

#### Reading Challenge

Congratulations to Eshaan who is our latest Platinum Reading Challenge Winner. He has read and reviewed 200 books! Well done.

**Chinese New Year – Themed Lunch**

On Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February, we will be celebrating the Chinese New Year with a themed lunch. Please see separate letter. If you would like your child to take part, please order in class on the day and pay £2.40 via Parentpay (if applicable).

**Tax Facts**

Members of staff from HM Revenue and Customs will be in school on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February to work with Classes 6. They will be giving a brief overview of what tax is, what types of tax there is and how some is paid. This is part of our PSHE provision in school.

**Times Table Rockstars**

Class 5 have the best participation this week. Most played this week: Class 3 - Elijah, Class 4 - Jaden, Class 5 - Larrisa, Class 6 – Ice and Class 7 – Vongai.

Our top performers this week with the most correct answers are all in Class 7. Well done to Vongai, Lisha and Patrick.

	<b>Class Winners</b>	<b>Readers of the Week</b>	<b>Writers of the Week</b>
Class 1	Ksawery	Lewis	Harper
Class 2	Oakley	Ethan	Cady
Class 3	Teddy	Lola	Harper
Class 4	Clare	Alice	Yoana
Class 5	Daniel	Larrisa	Aaryaan
Class 6	Whole Class	Olivia	Arek
Class 7	Jack	Aaliyah	Sophie

**Faith Life Winners:** Chloe - Class 3

**Head Teacher's Award:** Samanta - Class 5

**Attendance:** Class 6



Family  
**AUTISM**  
Service

**Is your child seeking or  
has an autism diagnosis?**

**Do you live in East Lancashire or  
Blackburn with Darwen?**

**Is your child/children under 25 years old?**

**Are you a parent/carer looking for  
information, advice and support?**

**Come along to our:**

- Parent Support Group
- Autism Awareness Sessions and workshops
- Cygnet Course
- Social Activities (for families, young people, siblings)
- Emotional Health and Well Being sessions



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