



**Statement of the week:**

"I understand that rights match responsibility."

**Harvest Assembly**

We will celebrate Harvest Festival on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October at 9.10. The children of Year 6 will be taking the assembly and parents are most welcome to attend. As a school we support CAFOD's work throughout the world and it is important that our children are aware of children in the world not as fortunate as us.

This year we would like donations of fruit, vegetables, tins, packets etc. from FS1, FS2 & Y1 and these will be used by the SVP. Please could you bring in to school in the week beginning 20<sup>th</sup> October? Years 2,3,4,5 & 6 will be asked for a small cash donation so that we can support CAFOD's work. Donations can be brought into school on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October.

**Fishers Mission Week 2014**

As fellow members of our local Catholic Community we are asked to pray for St John Fisher's as they embark on their mission week from 20<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> October. We will light a candle in the hall during our assemblies to pray for St John Fisher's during the week and read the Mission Prayer out also.

**Building Work**

Work will commence on the new entrance on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October during our half term and last for about 18 weeks. Next week beginning the 20<sup>th</sup> October we will be using our new pathway and new entrance gate. After half term all deliveries to the builders will be after 9.30 and before 3.15. Any parent or visitor coming to school during the school day will be directed through the ICT suite and then down to the office. A designated compound will be marked for the builders

9.30 – 3.15. We will be working with the builders to ensure that there is minimum disruption to the school but we will be adhering to the health and safety requirements necessary for all people working in the school.

**Ordination of Bishop Marcus**

We have been invited to a celebration of the ordination of Bishop Marcus as Tenth Bishop of Leeds. The celebration will take place on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November at the Cathedral Church of St Anne's in Leeds at 10.30.

I have invited the children to write to me to express an interest in taking part in the celebration. We have three invitations for children and closing date for expressions of interest is Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October.

**Handball Sessions**

Handball sessions continue this Thursday for Year 4.

Year 4 October 16<sup>th</sup>

Year 3 October 23<sup>rd</sup>/November 6<sup>th</sup>

**Christmas Concerts**

Canon Nunan has kindly allowed us to use St Joseph's Church again for our Nativity Play for FS2, Y1 & Y2.

Key Stage 2 will also be at Church for a Carol Service with readings.

FS2 & KS1 performance will be Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 6p.m.

KS2 carol service will be on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30.

A crib service for FS1 will be arranged also and we will let you know the date when this is arranged.

**Year 4 class**

I would like to thank Mrs Mallory for her hard work in Year 4 this last half term. Together with Mrs Lowe they have given the class continuity and support and I am so grateful to them both. With Mrs Stevens leaving in the summer holidays we were not given enough time to advertise for a suitable replacement. We did try but were unsuccessful. Fortunately we have appointed a teacher

for Year 4 and she will take the class up until Christmas at least. Mrs Foster-Freeman will still take the class each Friday until Christmas as previously mentioned. This will allow Mrs Mallory to return to her part time role as Intervention Leader after half term. We welcome Miss Cliverd to our team and I'm certain that you would wish her the very best of success at St Joseph's. Miss Cliverd was previously at St Joseph's in Harrogate.

**Christmas Fair**

We will be having a non-uniform day on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November and any donations will be for the Christmas Fair. We would like to ask for a chocolate donation from FS1 & 2 and Year 1 & Year 2. We would like to ask for a tombola donation e.g. gifts, bottles, toiletries/perfumes, games from children in Key Stage 2 (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6)

**Parents Evenings** if not already booked, please book using this link - [www.schoolinterviews.co.uk](http://www.schoolinterviews.co.uk) and event code MYZ49

**First Holy Communion**

The children of Year 3 will be preparing for the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist shortly and Canon Nunan will start the preparation with an Induction mass for all the children on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> November at St Joseph's Church at 10 a.m.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will take place at St Joseph's Church on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 11.30 a.m.

The date for First Holy Communion will be Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May at St Joseph's at 11.30 a.m.

Preparation in school will start in January and we will be using the "I Belong" books again. These books can be ordered online at [www.rpbooks.co.uk](http://www.rpbooks.co.uk) Any concerns with any arrangements please contact me.