

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Head Teacher's Newsletter 1st February 2017

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Statement of the Week

I listen to what you say. I show that I am listening to you.

Anti-Bullying Week

This week our school council kick started our Anti-Bullying week with a whole school assembly. Each class are involved in a range of activities this week and look forward to sharing some of the work that they have done on the following dates:

KS2: Friday 3rd February 9am

KS1: Wednesday 8th February 9am

Parents are welcome to attend the short assembly.

Wear Red – Heart Surgery Fund

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, we are asking that our children and staff wear red clothing to school on Friday 3rd February and bring in a donation in aid of the Heart Surgery Fund.

School Disco

This Friday (3rd February) the FOSJ will be holding their termly school disco 6:30-8pm. Tickets are now on sale! Please see the disco posters for more information or alternatively visit the school website (FOSJ page).

Coffee Morning

Tomorrow (2nd February) is our monthly coffee morning in the ICT suite from 8:55am. All welcome!

Website

There have been a number of updates uploaded to our school website particularly in the safeguarding section. There are links to some of the websites we have been using to support our teaching of e-safety as part of our computing curriculum and safeguarding procedures. We will continue to add links and updates from the Leeds Safeguarding Team so please continue to visit the website regularly.

Important Dates

Thursday 2nd February

Coffee Morning 9am ICT suite

Friday 3rd February 9am Wear Red Day – donations for Children's Heart Surgery Fund

Friday 3rd February 9am KS2 sharing some of the work completed in anti-bullying week – parents welcome

Wednesday 8th February 9am

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Tuesday 7th February

Internet Safety Day – Google Expeditions visiting school

Monday 6th & Tuesday 7th March

Parents' Evening: online booking will open up prior to the half term break, dates for this opening will be sent out in advance

Wednesday 1st March 10:15am Ash

Wednesday: Mass in school – all welcome

Sunday 19th March 10am Family Mass:

St Joseph's Day

Saturday 25th March 11am

Reconciliation

Sunday 7th May 11:30am First Holy

Communion

FOSJ Upcoming Events

Friday 3rd February – School Disco

Thursday 16th March – KS1 Movie Night

Friday 17th March – KS2 Movie Night

Attendance

Regular and punctual school attendance for all children forms part of our safeguarding procedures and is important in ensuring continuity and progression in their education. It is a school's responsibility to monitor and actively pursue the goal of regular attendance. The Government's recommendation is for pupils to attend for 96% of the school year although in previous years we have aimed for 97%. I will regularly include our attendance figures on the weekly newsletter and

will update these half termly onto our website.

Average Attendance Figure

September – 27th January 2017

FS2	96.7%
Y1	97.7%
Y2	97.0%
Y3	96.3%
Y4	97.1%
Y5	96.6%
Y6	96.9%
Total	96.6%

Car Parking & Safety

Today we have received a very worrying concern from a parent of children at Crossley Street School who regularly walk down Barleyfields Road. The concerns reported to us outline vehicles speeding, accelerating violently and mounting the pavements. This morning we have received a report of a near miss where one of our parents reversed without looking and almost hit a child. I'm sure you will agree that we all have a responsibility to ensure safety for everyone using the paths and roads around school.

Can I take this opportunity to remind all parents to take extra care around these busy periods and where possible consider walking to school or parking at other local parking locations to help ease congestion.

