



Statement of the Week

I think before I make choices that affect my health.

This Week's Reading

This week the reading in your child's homework diary highlights the importance of being prepared. This is a great reminder of the preparations that will shortly begin during advent, where we remember and prepare for the birth of Jesus. Please spend time going through the readings and prayers and completing the activities.

Attendance

FS2	99.7%
Y1	99.0%
Y2	98.3%
Y3	98.4%
Y4	99.6%
Y5	96.6%
Y6	96.9%
Total	98.4%

This week's attendance is outstanding!

Overall the attendance is above 98% for last week! A special well done to FS2, Y1 and Y4 who reached into the 99% mark! Keep up the great work!

Remembrance Parade!

Our Mini Vinnies represented the school fantastically last Sunday at the Remembrance Parade in Wetherby. Our Mini Vinnie president laid the wreath alongside other representatives in the local community and they then gathered for a decade of the rosary back at church.

Open Classrooms

We will hold our January open classrooms on **Monday 29th January from 3:15-4pm**. This is an opportunity for parents/carers to come into school and sit with their child to look through their books, see the learning journeys and chat with the class teacher about general topics being covered during the half term.

PCSO Visit

Next Wednesday our PCSO will visit some of our classes to talk about keeping safe. This will include age appropriate messages about stranger danger and keeping yourself safe whilst online. These lessons are covered within our PSHE lessons and computing lessons. However, we are lucky to have been given the opportunity to reinforce these important messages from the PCSO.

We look forward to working closely with our local PCSO during the year.

St Joseph's Open Day for New Parents

We will be holding our open days for prospective new parents next week, on **Tuesday 21st November at 9:30am-11am** and on **Thursday 23rd November** in the afternoon from 1:30-2:30pm. Please contact the school office to book onto the event.

Crib Service (Foundation Stage)

On Thursday 30th November our Foundation Stage children will hold their crib service down at church straight after school at 4pm.

Christmas Productions

The Christmas Productions this year will be held on the following dates:

FS2/KS1 (in the school hall) 2pm & 5:30pm

Thursday 7th December

KS2 (in church) 6pm Monday 11th

December

FS1 (in nursery) 11am Tuesday 12th

December

Please make note of the venues for each performance.

Technology Week

This week we have been visited by Robi the Robot. He has visited every class and has been a real talking point of our technology, maths and writing across school. We will be sad to say 'Goodbye' to Robi at the end of the week.

SATs Information Evening

Year 6 parents and carers are invited to a SATs information evening on **Thursday 30th November at 5:30pm**. A letter has been sent out to Y6 parents with more details.

Show & Share Sessions

Every year we hold show and share sessions where we invite a parent/carer into school to participate within their child's lesson. We aim to vary the focus as much as possible so that parents get to experience a variety of learning alongside their child. These sessions are always very well attended and always receive very positive feedback. We are currently in the process of organising the invitations for show and share sessions across school and letters will follow from your child's class teacher. We are aiming to hold show and share sessions for Y1, Y2 and Y4 in the spring 1 term, Y3, Y5 & Y6 in the

spring 2 term and FS1 & FS2 will hold their open sessions for parents in the summer 1 term. There may be additional invitations in between these set dates for specific sessions and these will also be sent out in advance.

Parents Information Evening: Assessment

As explained in the recent parents' evening forms, we will hold an information evening for parents/carers to cover assessment for attainment and progress. The date for this is **Tuesday 6th February 2018 at 5:30pm**.

Important Dates

Friday 17th November non-uniform day

Tuesday 21st November-Open morning

9:30am-11am for new parents

Thursday 23rd November-Open afternoon

1:30-2:30pm for new parents

Thursday 30th November – Year 6 SATs

information evening 5:30pm

Friday 15th December Mass in School

10:30am

Friday 15th December School closes for the

Christmas break 1:30pm

2018 Dates:

Tuesday 2nd January 2018 School opens

Monday 29th January 2018 Open

classrooms, 3:15-4pm

Tuesday 6th February 5:30pm Assessment

information evening for parents/carers

Safeguarding

Should you have any safeguarding concerns please contact Miss Milivojevic (Head Teacher) or Mrs Ward (Deputy Head Teacher) who are the school designated safeguarding leads.

FOSJ Upcoming Events

Christmas Fair – Friday 1st December

3:15pm (3:15pm)

There will be a **non-uniform day** in school on **Friday 17th November**. The friends are asking for **donations of chocolate from FS & KS1 and bottles from KS2**. Any jam jars filled with 'things' of your choice are also very welcome! These will all be added to the Christmas stalls.

Please see the additional information that was sent out from the FOSJ via email. Thank you.