



Statement of the week

"We are all special"

Beginning of year mass

Welcome back to school and I hope that you and your family have had a wonderful summer break. Good luck to all the children starting at St John Fisher's and I hope that their new adventures will be successful.

To mark the start of a new academic year Canon Nunan has kindly offered to celebrate mass this Friday 11th September at 10.30. Parents are more than welcome to attend.

Admissions

The admission round for **high schools** is now open so please make sure you have applied before October 31st.

Admission into Reception for September 2016 will open officially on 1st November and run until 15th January 2016. If your child will be 4 before 31st August then you need to apply during this round. **Please apply online AND come and ask for a supplementary information form at school.**

Total Sports

Our P.E lessons start this Thursday 10th September. Please could you ensure that your child has suitable outdoor P.E kit including warm top/waterproof jacket please?

This term we will be having gymnastics on Tuesdays and an indoor school t shirt and shorts are required for this activity.

Total Sports will be sending out fliers shortly with details of after school activities.

Choir

Mr Wall will be taking the school choir every Wednesday starting 16th September 3.15-4.15. We are hopefully going to take part at Young Voices in Sheffield on Monday 18th January 2016 so this will be our focus for the choir.

World's Biggest Coffee Morning

On Friday 25th September we will be holding a coffee morning at St Joseph's School to support the Macmillan nurses and the fantastic work they do each and every day. "Every cake shared helps to support people affected by cancer" The event will take place in either the school hall or in the computer suite after assembly at 10 a.m. We are asking that parents of children in Y5& Y6 can either bake or provide cakes for the event but we are also hoping some of our children can bake some cakes in school. I am only asking for two classes to bring cakes because I know how much you support the school and fund raising and I do not want too many cakes. The important thing is that you can attend for a few minutes and donate some money for such a worthwhile cause. Thank you!

Sacramental Programme

I have had a conversation with Canon Nunan this morning to discuss the Sacramental preparation for the Year 3 children and their parents. We will be holding a meeting in school for the parents of Year 3 and parents of other Year 3 children living in the Parish but attending different schools on Wednesday 30th September at 6 p.m. The meeting will only last for about 30 minutes so if you can attend we would be very grateful. We arranged a mass of enrolment for the Year 3 children and their parents for Sunday 11th October at 10 a.m. Reconciliation will take place on Saturday 23rd April at St Joseph's Church at 11 a.m. The children will receive the Sacrament of Holy Eucharist on Sunday 8th May at St Joseph's Church at 11 a.m.

Big Sing

Year 6 will be taking part in the Big Sing on Thursday 22nd October at Mount St Mary's in Leeds. The day will be attended by over 200 pupils and they will be celebrating in song, prayer and dance. In the morning activities the children will be rehearsing the original hymns of CJM's Boyce and Stanley in preparation for a 'Big Liturgy' in the afternoon. Children from each school will take part in a signing and dance workshop to add style and movement to the Liturgy.

