

# St Patrick's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Number 9 Friday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2019

This Week's Ethos Statement: I try to love others as I love myself.



## **Confirmation**

Congratulations to all those who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last night. It was a very joyful celebration led by Bishop Marcus Stock. Thank you to the catechists in the parish who prepared the candidates and to the children who were in the choir.

May you all be filled with the fruits of the Spirit.

the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control;'

Galations 5:22

As many of you will know Fr Eugene is unwell at the moment. Please join the staff and children in school as we pray for him in our daily prayers.

There won't be a Thursday morning 8.15am Mass until further notice.

## **Dates for your Diary**

16<sup>th</sup> January – Maths Problem Solving Day

28<sup>th</sup>- 30<sup>th</sup> Januray – Year 6 Robinwood Residential

31st January – 'Expect Respect' Catholic care workshops – all classes

5<sup>th</sup> February – Year 3 Royal Armouries class trip

6<sup>th</sup> February – Year 2 Ledston Estate class trip

15<sup>th</sup> February – Staff Training Day – school closed to pupils

27<sup>th</sup> February – 3.30-6pm – Parent consultation Evening

OR 28th February 5-7.30pm - Parent Consultation Evening

12th April – School Closes for the Easter holiday

23<sup>rd</sup> April – School Re opens after the Easter holiday

<u>Class assemblies this term</u> Fridays 2.40pm

Year 2 – 18th January

Year 1 – 1<sup>st</sup> February

**Reception – 29th February** 

Year 5 - 15th March

Year 6 – 29<sup>th</sup> March

Year 3 - 11<sup>th</sup> April

## St. Vincent's is having the next course enrolment for all of the free classes soon.

Enrolment will be taking place at St. Vincent Support Centre, 4 Berking Avenue, Leeds, LS9 9LF.

Thursday, 10th & Friday, 11th January: from 10am - 2pm

Classes this term include: ESOL (all levels from beginner to advanced), IT, Literacy, Employability, Cooking and Art.

All classes are free and open to adults (+18).

There is a timetable on the Parent Noticeboard to give you an overview of what is planned between January and March 2019. There are also support groups and activities.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation – First Confession

**Children in Year 3** will have a letter tonight inviting them to join the preparation programme. The first meeting is on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> January and is for the children and their parent / carer. Any children in Years 4,5 or 6 who would also like to join the programme can get a letter from the school office.

Please return your reply slips next week. Thankyou.

Lexia Clubs									
Morning sessions (8.15-8.40am)	WB 14.	1.19	WB 28.1.19		r school 0-3.45pm)	WB 14.1.19		WB 28.1.19	
Tuesday	Yes		Yes	Mon	day	Yes		Yes	
Wednesday	Yes		Yes	Tues	day	Yes		Yes	
Thursday	Yes		Yes	Thursday		Yes		Yes	
AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS – Clubs finish at 4.15pm									
	Class				WB 14.1.19		WB 28.1.19		
Monday	Y5/6	Brass	Brass Band			Yes		Yes	
Monday	Y4,5&6	Footb	Football - boys			Yes		Yes	
Tuesday	Y3	Cookery Club			Yes		Yes		
Wednesday	Y4,5&6	Dance	Dance			Yes		Yes	
Thursday	Y4,5&6	Footb	all - girls		Yes		Yes		
Thursday	Y4,5&6	Baske	tball		Yes		Yes		
Friday	Y5&6	Multi	Skills (Hall)		Yes		Yes		

## Today is the closing date for applications for a place in the Reception Class for September 2019.

If you haven't submitted your application yet, please contact the school office as soon as possible.

## **RE Newsletter**

Be the light to those around you!

Dear Parents, Spring Term 2019

We begin this term full of the joy of the Christmas season which ends for us at the celebration of the Baptism of Jesus on 13<sup>th</sup> January. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> February we celebrate the feast of the Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas) when Jesus is recognised as 'the light of the world'. We must also remember that each one of us is called to be a 'light', an inspiration to those around us.

In this issue of the newsletter you will find what your child is learning about in each year group. We hope you find this newsletter of interest and as always, please keep us in your prayers as we continue to support your children in their religious education.



## Reception - Getting to know Jesus

This half term, the children in the Reception class will be getting to know Jesus. Throughout the topic, the children will be given opportunities to become aware that Jesus has a great love for each one of us and will think of ways in which we can show our love for Jesus. They will hear that Jesus cured people who were sick and think of ways we can show our love for sick people.



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## At home

You could help your children by:

- saying or sharing prayers together
- talk about people who help us e.g. nurses, doctors
- talk about how we can help others
- · giving them jobs which help at home

## Year 1 - Families and Celebrations

The children will learn about what it means to be a member of a family and to be a member of the school community. They will learn what it means to belong to the Church family.



They will hear how Jesus' family took him to the Temple and think about why this was a special occasion. They will learn about some of the celebrations in the Church and why we celebrate these occasions.

## At home

You could help your children by:

- discussing the importance of celebrations in our lives
- encourage children to think about Church celebrations e.g. Christmas, Easter etc

## Year 2 - The Good News

The children will learn that Jesus brought the good news of God's love and that this changed people's lives. They will learn that Jesus used his power to help others and reflect on the importance of these events. They will reflect on how they can bring good news to their family and friends.

#### At home

You could help your children by:

- highlighting opportunities when they can give thanks to God
- read stories about Jesus helping people, e.g. The feeding of the 5000

### Year 3 - Sacrament of Reconciliation

The children will learn about the sacrament of Reconciliation.

They will think about wrong choices and how they affect other people.

They will reflect on God's love for us and about how important love is for us.

### At home:

You could help your children by:

• read some well known parables, e.g. 'The Prodigal Son' and talk about what they mean for us

## **Year 4 – Celebrating the Mass**

Year 4 will know why Sunday is special for Christians and will know that we come to Mass to hear the teaching of Jesus and pray to him. They will learn that in the Mass we offer thanks to God the Father for the gift of his Son and learn that during Mass the bread and wine become the body and blood of Jesus. They will learn that when we receive Holy Communion we receive Jesus and learn that Jesus is present in the Blessed Sacrament in the tabernacle. They will also learn some of the responses in the Mass and understand that Jesus died on the cross, and rose from the dead.

#### At Home

You could help your children by:

- talking to them about all the things we have to be thankful for
- talking to them about how Sunday is a special day for Christians

## Year 5 - Inspirational People

The children will learn about the conditions for following Jesus and learn how Jesus described a true disciple. They will have a chance to reflect on their commitment to following Jesus.

They will learn the story of a person who had a special love for those rejected by society and about someone who was an inspiration for young people. They will identify people today who are an inspiration in their service of others.

### At home:

You could help your children by

• encouraging them to research some information about inspirational people and saints

### Year 6 - Jesus, the bread of life

The children will learn that the Sacrament of the Eucharist is a thanksgiving for the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. They will begin to understand that in the Mass we participate in Jesus' sacrifice to God the Father and learn what happened at the Last Supper.

They will learn the different parts of the Mass and become familiar with most of the responses. The children will learn that the bread and wine are consecrated during Mass and become the body and blood of Jesus.

The children will have a chance to reflect on the sacrifice of Jesus and reflect on the sacrifices they can make during Lent.

#### At home:

You could help your children by:

- brining their attention to the Eucharistic prayer during Mass
- ask them during the week to explain what the

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