



# St Patrick's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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## This Week's Virtue: Perseverance and Resilience

In the Diocese of Leeds, most schools have used the Statements to Live by as a weekly focus for the whole school. The Bishop has asked schools to focus on the Virtues we all need to develop to be able to flourish as a whole person.

We are part of a pilot project that is developing and trialling some new resources for teaching the Virtues to our children. We have introduced 'Virtues to Live by' this half term and plan to implement it fully in Autumn.



### What are Virtues?

Good characteristics that we all have within us already...

Love, Hope, Joy, Patience, Honesty, Perseverance, Forgiveness, Respect, Kindness, Thankfulness, Faithful, Courage.....

### We need to practise and develop these virtues to help us to be the best person we can be.

Each 3 weeks we will have a new Virtue or pair of Virtues to learn about and practise in school and at home. We will encourage and support each other as we all grow, asking God to guide us and help us on our journey.

**Our Virtue to Live by:**  
**Perseverance and Resilience**  
**I will not give up.**  
**I will have faith and hope even**  
**when things are difficult.**

#### You Persevere and you are Resilient when....

- You don't let doubts stop you from trying.
- You are not afraid because you know you are not alone.
- You ask God to help you grow through your personal challenges.
- You take one step at a time – you keep going!
- You complete what you start.
- You are a reliable classmate.

### Important Reminders:

School finishes at 3.10pm – if you are going to be late please let the office know as soon as possible.

### Sleep

As the nights get lighter, children have more opportunities to play outside later. Please make sure your child gets at least 9 hours sleep every night. All children benefit from being asleep by 9pm. We have seen some tired faces this week and this really effects how well the children can work during the day.

### Waterbottles

Please make sure your child has a water bottle re filled with fresh water every day.

### Holidays in term time

We have a 2 week break soon so can I please remind parents that holidays should be booked in school holiday time, not in term time. Every day is important in school!

| AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS – Clubs finish at 4.15pm |           |                      |                            |            |            |
|---|-----------|----------------------|----------------------------|------------|------------|
|   | Class     | Club                 | WB 6.5.19                  | WB 13.5.19 |            |
| Monday                                      | Y5/6      | Brass Band           | NO – school closed         | Yes        |            |
| Monday                                      | Y4,5&6    | Football - boys      | NO – school closed         | Yes        |            |
| Tuesday                                     | Y3        | Cookery              | Yes                        | Yes        |            |
| Tuesday                                     | Y4 /5     | First Holy Communion | YES – TO 4PM only          | Yes        |            |
| Wednesday                                   | Y4,5&6    | Dance                | Yes                        | Yes        |            |
| Thursday                                    | Y4,5&6    | Football - girls     | Yes                        | Yes        |            |
| Friday                                      | Y5&6      | Multi Skills (Hall)  | Yes                        | Yes        |            |
| Reading Club                                |           |                      |                            |            |            |
| Morning sessions (8.15-8.40am)              | WB 6.5.19 | WB 13.5.19           | After school (3.10-3.45pm) | WB 6.5.19  | WB 13.5.19 |
| Tuesday                                     | NO        | Yes                  | Monday                     | Yes        | Yes        |
| Wednesday                                   | Yes       | Yes                  | Tuesday                    | Yes        | Yes        |
| Thursday                                    | Yes       | Yes                  | Thursday                   | Yes        | Yes        |

## Collective Worship

Last term we invited parent s to a wide range of Collective Worship in school and were disappointed that only a few parents joined us. We wondered if it was that families weren't sure what Collective Worship involved. You will not be asked to do anything other than be with us in our prayer and worship. They are all usually only 10-15minutes long. We will send home invites to ask you to join your child's class for a short collective worship – please come along and join your child's class.



**During May**, we will be having a short prayer time before the start of the day on **Tuesdays at 8.30am**. We will open the playground door and invite you to join us in the hall or prayer garden. Please join us with your child to pray a decade of the rosary for your own needs and those of the world.

**Enjoy a few minutes of peace before the start of your day!**

## FOSP

Huge thanks to the Friends Of St Patrick's who have helped to raise £2000 over the last year. The money has been spent on our beautiful new benches in the playground and prayer garden. School Council members were involved in selecting which ones were best for our children and where they would like the benches to be situated.



The next meeting for FOSP is on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May at 7pm to organise the summer Family BBQ. All parents and friends of St Patrick's are welcome to come to offer their help and support.

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Congratulations to our Year 3 and 4 football team who took part in the North/East Leeds football tournament this week.

They won every single game and only conceded one goal all afternoon. The future is bright for our young football team who will hopefully bring success to our school family.



### FOOTBALL KIT SOCKS REMINDER!!

I am missing 8 pairs of football socks this academic year. Please can you have a look at home and bring back any blue school football socks that you find as soon as possible. Without proper kit, I may be forced to delay or even cancel tournaments as we take great pride in our presentation.

**Dates for your Diary – Please note we have had to make some changes to dates**

May – Year 2 End of Key Stage 1 tests

6<sup>th</sup> May – Bank Holiday Monday – SCHOOL CLOSED

7<sup>th</sup> May – Parents’ meeting in church for those who have children making their First Holy Communion this May 3.15 – 3.45pm

8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> May – Year 5 Residential to Castlerigg Manor in Cumbria

13<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> May – Year 6 SATs week

17<sup>th</sup> May – Year 6 trip to Royal Armouries

18<sup>th</sup> May – First Holy Communion Mass at 10am at St Patrick’s church

21<sup>st</sup> May – May Procession Assembly – led by Reception class 2pm

21<sup>st</sup> May – FOSP meeting to organise Summer BBQ – 7pm in school

22<sup>nd</sup> May – Reception and Year 1 trip to Hesketh Farm

24<sup>th</sup> May – Final day of half term

10<sup>th</sup> June – School Re opens after half term holiday

10-14<sup>th</sup> June – Year 1 Phonics testing week

10<sup>th</sup> June – Year 5 and 6 RSE lessons

10<sup>th</sup> June – Drama group in school performing a play for the whole school

11<sup>th</sup> June – Halifax Bank visiting Year 2 and 4

11<sup>th</sup> June – New Reception Parents’ meeting at 7pm

12<sup>th</sup> June – New Reception class Drop-in 2-3pm

14<sup>th</sup> June – New Reception class Drop-in 9-10am

18<sup>th</sup> June – New Reception class Drop-in 9-10am

18<sup>th</sup> June - Halifax Bank visiting Year 2 and 4

19<sup>th</sup> June – New Reception Open Morning – group 1 – 9-10am

21<sup>st</sup> June – New Reception Open Morning – group 2 – 9-10am

21<sup>st</sup> June – U11 Catenian Cup at St Theresa’s all day

24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> June – HEALTH WEEK

28<sup>th</sup> June – Year 1 assembly at 2.40pm

5<sup>th</sup> July – Year 2 assembly at 2.40pm

5<sup>th</sup> July – FOSP Family BBQ at 7pm

8<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 End of Year Production at 6.30pm for Year 6 family and friends.

9<sup>th</sup> July – End of Year Reports sent out to parents

15<sup>th</sup> July – Field Events for Sports Cup – all children need kits

16<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day – All families are welcome to join us on the field –events start at 9am

17<sup>th</sup> July – Year 4 trip to Harlow Carr

17<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers Mass at 7pm in church and refreshments back in school afterwards for the children and their families.

18<sup>th</sup> July – Transition Morning – children meet their teacher for next year

19<sup>th</sup> July – End of Year Mass at 11am in St Patrick’s Church

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