



Headlines

St John Fisher R.C. Primary School Spring Term 2022/23
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Week Beginning – 20th March

Foodbank Collection all week (see P2)

Yr5 Bikeability all week

First Aid week

Monday 20th

Yr5/Yr6 Tag Rugby Borough Championship

Tuesday 21st

Yr6 Parents Evening

Wednesday 22nd

Thursday 23rd

Yr6 Parents Evening

Friday 24th

St Susanna Class Assembly - 9am
(*parents and carers of children in 1STS are welcome to attend*)

Yr2 Mass—(pupils and staff only)

EYFS & KS1 Spring Disco - 5pm-6:30pm

KS2 Spring Disco - 7pm—8:30pm

(TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE ON PARENTPAY)

As you will see from some of the articles in this week's headlines, we are certainly putting an SJF 'Spring into Spring' by getting out, getting moving and promoting being active—in so many ways!

As the 'Beat the Streets' initiative got underway earlier this week, it was fantastic to note how many children sprinted towards the school gates in order to 'tap in' at the Beat the Streets box located just outside the school and, in doing so, collect points to support our efforts in this great Merton based initiative. Don't forget to download the app or carry your card and make sure that adults are busy collecting on behalf of the school as you make your journeys in and around Merton over the coming weeks.

With only two weeks left until the Easter break, I am delighted to be visiting lessons, talking to children and reflecting with them on how much progress they have made since joining their current year groups in September. Each week our Building Better Learning focuses on supporting reflection and recognition on all aspects of school life; whether it be linked to learning, behaviour and attitudes, our religious and spiritual life or personal development. All children are rightly proud of their achievements in all of these areas—and thoroughly enjoy celebrating their own success and those of their peers—as part of the SJF community.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone.

Reading for Pleasure Parent Workshop

Please use the link below to access the information for 'Reading for Pleasure'

<https://www.st-johnfisher.merton.sch.uk/curriculum/reading-for-pleasure/>

Letters Home:

Walton Firs—Yr5

Industrial Action—whole school

Instrumental Concert—whole school

Yr6 Parents Evening—Yr6

Vision Screening—YrR

Big Wheel and Walk—whole school

Happy Birthday

Elijah C, Olivia F,
Mykhailo M, Samuel IZ,
Matilda D, Ivie E, Felix T.

Designated Safeguarding Leaders

Ms J Kenna

DSL

Mrs C Ellerker

Deputy DSL

Miss C Higgins

Deputy DSL



If you have any concerns about a child please contact **school@st-johnfisher.merton.sch.uk**



Our Easter foodbank collection will take place in school from Monday 20th – Friday 24th March with donations going to Wimbledon Foodbank.

They have asked for donations of long life food and if possible some Easter treats for children living in poverty.

We recognise that with the cost of food so high, many are not able to donate as much as they used to, but it really is a case of every little bit helps so please give what you can. Donations can be taken to your child's class or the school office.

THE GOSPEL IN CHURCH Sunday 19th March 2023



As Jesus went along, he saw a man who had been blind from birth. Jesus spat on the ground, made a paste with the spittle, put this over the eyes of the blind man and said to him, "Go and wash in the Pool of Siloam" (a name that means 'sent'). So the blind man went off and washed himself, and came away with his sight restored. His neighbours and people who earlier had seen him begging said, "Isn't this the man who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "Yes, it is the same one." Others said, "No, he only looks like him." The man himself said, "I am the man." Some of the Pharisees did not believe that Jesus had healed him and they drove him away. Jesus heard about this and when he found the man he said to him, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" "Sir," the man replied, "tell me who he is so that I may believe in him." Jesus said, "You are looking at him; he is speaking to you." The man said, "Lord, I believe," and he worshipped Jesus.

Adapted from John 9:1-38

The 4th Sunday of Lent, Year A

Everyone can learn more about this Gospel in Church - all are warmly invited.

"God grants us his love, which gives us strength and heals us." Pope Francis



Meat Free Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cheesy Swirl with New Potatoes	Sticky Chicken Noodles	Roast of the Day with Stuffing Ball, Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Beef Burger in a Bun with Potato Wedges	Fishfingers/ Salmon Fishfingers with Chips
Tomato Pasta	Veggie Wrap Stack with Rice	Parsnip and Sweet Potato Loaf with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	French Bread Pizza	Cheese and Onion Quiche with Chips
Vegetable Medley	Broccoli Sweetcorn	Carrot & Swede Mash Cabbage	Sweetcorn Roasted Peppers	Peas Baked Beans
Pear and Chocolate Crumble with Custard	Yoghurt & Raisin Cake	Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt Station	Seasonal Root Cake	Vanilla Shortbread

Or a choice of Yoghurt & Fresh Fruit available daily

This week Reception classes have been travelling around the continent of Africa. We have learnt about Botswana, Mauritius, Kenya and South Africa. Many thanks to Mrs Hohls, Mr and Mrs Solomon, Mrs Dawson and Mrs Hughes for sharing their experiences.



Our Year 5/6 Basketball team took part in the borough championship today. They enjoyed competing against schools across the borough!



Great progress continues to be made by the team of parent volunteers in the SJF woodland garden. Huge thanks to all involved so far however we are always delighted for extra help as there is still much to do to try to get the garden open to the children before the end of the school year.

There are other ways to help the Woodland garden without getting your hands dirty...

- Do you or your partners company offer funding for sustainability/ community projects
- Do you have connections with businesses, garden centre or nursery that may be able to donate plants and seeds or timber or anything else to make the garden wonderful
- Do you know where we can get some big logs or tree trunks
- Expertise with a camera equipment to help with a nocturnal camera set up
- Make a bird box at home - we can share designs
- Bake a cake or donate refreshments for the volunteer team
- Help with refreshments in the day

Any other ideas welcome!

For those that do want to get their hands dirty our next volunteer day is 26th March.



BUILDBETTER LEARNING



These pupils use
great questions to help
them learn

St Scholastica - Valentina De L

St Aidan - Mirela C

St Ninian - Raphael D'S

St Teresa - Peter O

St James - Greta N

St Osmund - Sonia R

St Hugh - Benjamin C

St Nicholas - Livie K

St Francis - Jude G

St Ignatius - Isabella M

St Susanna - Matthew R

St Helena - Noah D McA

St Elizabeth - Ethan JW

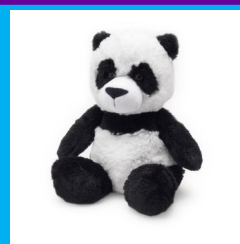
St Rose - Stanislaw M

Nursery - Zeruah O

Attendance Percentage week beginning 6th March 2023

Class	Week commencing 06/03/23	Week commencing 27/02/23
St Rose	94.30	97.10
St Elizabeth	90.30	92.70
St Susanna	97.30	98.30
St Helena	93.30	92.00
St Francis	97.90	94.20
St Ignatius	88.30	93.40
St Nicholas	99.30	94.80
St Hugh	94.60	93.90
St James	93.00	99.30
St Osmund	89.70	93.00
St Teresa	94.00	93.30
St Ninian	95.30	96.30
St Aidan	94.00	95.80
St Scholastica	93.70	95.40
Overall	93.90	94.70

Best Class: St Nicholas



WELL DONE

St James

**for being on time,
in class and
ready to learn
every morning.**

This week's overall
winner of Ms Kenna's
BIG PENCIL.....

**** Jude L ****



Beat the Streets

SJF are already in 3rd place in the Beat the Streets leader board! Well done everyone!

If we keep up the amazing beginning we have made to collecting points, we can stay in the top 3 and who knows, we could even move up to 2nd or 1st place!

LETS KEEP GOING and collecting those points!

A BIG THANK YOU to all the parents and children who have helped to complete the planting for our school Green Wall.

It is really appreciated, especially through the recent cold and harsh weather!

We look forward to all the plants growing and blossoming very soon and watching the green wall grow over time.

We're taking part in @Sustrans **#BigWalkandWheel** - the UK's biggest **#walking #wheeling #scooting and #cycling** to school challenge.

Encourage your children to take part on as many days as possible between 20- 31 March 2023.

Please see the letter sent home on Friday 17th for more details and lets get SJF moving!

