



ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 18: 24th January 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another good week this term here at St. Boniface. Attendance this week has been excellent! Despite illnesses persisting, you have all done a fantastic job of keeping your children in school. We really appreciate the efforts you are all making. If your child is ill, please ring the office and report on **option 4** or via Reach More Parents.

Safeguarding

We are always keen to work in partnership with you and if you have any concerns at all about the safety or wellbeing of a child please contact a member of our safeguarding team.

As part of our ongoing safeguarding work we continue to undertake regular training. One of the training courses attended this week has been about online safety and risks posed at home via social media platforms that can encourage inappropriate behaviour in children. Often seemingly innocent social media platforms can allow pupils to access inappropriate sexualized content or expose them to extremist and radicalized content. Please may I remind you to check what your child is accessing online at home and ensure that you have high parental controls settings in place

Attendance

Our attendance has improved greatly; this week it is 91.7 %. There is a direct relationship between the progress that children make in learning and having great attendance so please make sure your child is in school as much as possible. We appreciate all your support with the work we are doing. Well done to Year 4 who were this week's attendance winners with 96%. Parents will also have received an attendance letter. This is just a formality to indicate where your child's attendance is at. It is our responsibility to inform you and to see if there are any underlying health concerns or concerns regarding school. We want to work with parents to ensure that all children are in school, learning as much as possible, in a supportive manner.

Payment Arrears

In the current economic climate we recognise that it is sometimes a struggle to stay on top of finances. If you have accrued any debt on ParentPay and are struggling to repay this please contact Mr Bland or Mrs Burnett to work out a payment plan. Debts need to be settled as soon as possible and a payment plan may be the best option. Failure to engage with the school around repayment will unfortunately result in pupils not being able to access resources.

Parent and Adult Conduct

Please may I politely remind you that our very dedicated staff all have the right to come to work and be treated in an appropriate and respectful manner. Regrettably there has been a small number of incidents recently where parents or carers have been aggressive and disrespectful towards members of staff. Any abusive behaviour will not be tolerated at St Boniface's and failure to behave in an appropriate manner may result in adults being banned from the school premises. We are all role



models for our pupils and our expectation is that both parents and staff conduct themselves as such at all times. This also applies to online content and social media posts.

If you have any concern or complaint regarding the school or a member of staff the first point of call should be to contact the school office and arrange a meeting to discuss and resolve any issues.

Parents will be receiving a home school agreement document. Can parents and children please sign this document and return them to the school office.

Key Dates:

10th-15th February- E-Safety week

11th -13th February: Book Fair

19th February: Stay and Play for EYFS and Showcase afternoon for years 1-6

20th Feb: Games Night 3:30-4:45, £1 entry, £1 snacks.

5th March: Ash Wednesday Service at 10.30 led by Year 4 – Parents welcome.

5th March: Year 5 All Hallows taster session

6th March: World Book Day. - Our theme is Careers and Aspirations so come dressed as what you would like to be when you grow up or as somebody you admire.

7th March: Year 2 Trip to Smithills Farm.

10th March- 3.15 Meeting for parents of children making their First Reconciliation

13th March- 2pm First Reconciliation for pupils at St Thomas's Church- Parents welcome

26th March: Year 5 Visit Into University– am only.

26th March: 3-5.45pm Parents' Evening

4th April: CAFOD Fund Raising Day – Own Clothes Day £1.

4th April: Bake Off Competition –and cake sale

14th April: Holy Week begins. No Magic Monday.

14th April: Easter Performance by Year 3 and 4 Dress Rehearsal for pupils

15th April: Easter Performance by Year 3 and 4 Parents welcome.

16th April: Easter egg Raffle and Decorate the Egg Competition (50p to Enter).

17th April: Stations of the Cross service led by Year 6. School closes at 2pm.



Uniform

We seem to have a lot of lost property at the moment. Please make sure that all items of uniform including PE kit are labelled clearly with your child's name. Don't forget that Magic Monday's children are allowed to be in their school PE kit all day which is a white t shirt and black shorts. With the cold weather please ensure your child brings their coat to school.

After School Clubs

After School Clubs are back on. This term we will be running:

Ukulele club - Monday

Gym - Monday

Football Club - Tuesday

Cookery Club - Tuesday

Music Club – Wednesday

Choir - Thursday Lunchtime

Lego Club- Monday Lunchtime

Each club after school runs from 3:15-4:15 on the aforementioned dates and costs £1.

Both football and cookery club are fully booked.

If anyone has any Lego they are no longer using, could you please donate this to school? The Lego will be used for our upcoming Lego club.

We will also be launching a debating club after the spring half term holiday for KS2 pupils at lunchtime on a Wednesday.

Little Bonnies and Breakfast club are running each day after and before school respectively. Please book in for after school club beforehand at 07497 498 684.

We will keep you updated on any changes to school clubs.

Sacramental Programme

Sacramental Programme is running every week on a Thursday after school until 4pm.

School lunches

Please make sure that you choose your child's lunch before school via School Grid so that they are able to have their meal of choice. If there is no pre order completed the default meal is a cheese sandwich.



Reach more parents

Please ensure you have logged onto Reach more Parents as this is now our central administration system. We only have 52% of parents logged on so please ensure you log in. We have sent an email with your log in details to you. Please check your inboxes and log in as soon as possible.

If you are having issues with logging in, please contact the school office.

Birthdays

Happy birthday this week to Joseph (Year 5) Amaya (Year 3) and Mrs Bradbury, enjoy your celebrations.

Congratulations to our star pupils this week who have been chosen by their teachers for a special mention.

Have a great weekend!

God bless,

Mrs Groarke