



# School Newsletter

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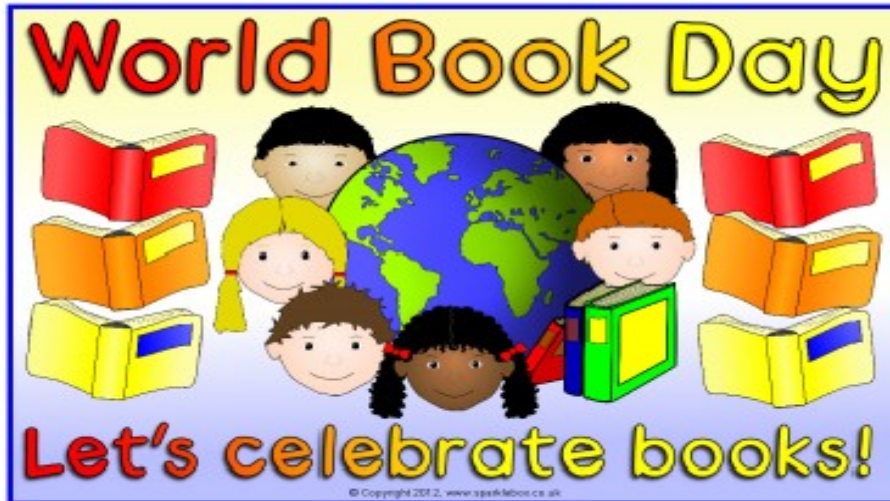
## School News—Go Red for Charity!

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### Important Dates to Remember

- Monday 19th February**  
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Y2 author visit to the Library
- Friday 23rd February**  
Valentines Disco—details to follow



Dear Parents/Carers

Where has this half term gone! Can you believe we are now half way through the school year. We have come along way since September and we are now starting to see changes in school. Smiling children, great work,, improved behaviour and a real sense of purpose. May I take the time to thank you all for your support and wish you all a happy half term. As you know the first day back is our

statutory First Aid training, which by law we have to re-new every three years. Children are back in school on Tuesday, We also have visitors in school from the Local Authority on this day, monitoring the schools progress,, and we are really excited to share with them our successes so far. They will be talking to the children, visiting lessons sand looking at work.. Governors have also been invited. We have a lot happening

already next half term, with World Book Day being celebrated on Thursday 1st March. A letter will be going out after half term with the information. Children are invited to come to school dressed up as their favourite book character. We would also like to invite parents to donate a book to school for a particular age range or send in books, which your child has already read, which can be shared with others. We will also be launching a book competition of reading in unusual places. So get thinking where you could read. Look out for this after half term.

Kind Regards  
Mrs S Briggs



The Read Write Inc, parents meeting will now take place in the School hall on Wednesday 21st February at 5pm. For both FS2 and year 1 parents. Read Write Inc is a recognised scheme is advancing children's learning in phonics and we all delighted by the success we have al-

ready seen as a result. The meeting will give you a chance to view parts of the scheme and see the resources used in class, along with teaching techniques used.



**Don't Forget School closes today for half term and re-opens for children on Tuesday 20th February 2018.**

## St Joseph's Cup Winner



I am delighted to announce the winner of St Joseph's cup this week, goes to Bailey Chambers. Bailey has to overcome a lot of barriers to even get to school let alone work hard. He has been a little bit poorly this half term but has taken responsibility of his own learning and come into school, even when he has not felt 100%. Well done Bailey a well deserved win.

## Valentine's Disco

A School Disco will take place on Friday 23rd February.

Foundation and KS1 will start at 2:15—3:15pm  
KS2 will start at 3:30—4:30pm

Children can bring party clothes to change into.

Parents are welcome  
Cost will be £2.00 to include:

entrance and pop and crisps, payable on the day.



**Please confirm if you would still like Basketball to take place on Friday 23rd February, as the school disco is taking place. Mr Rockett has volunteered to do this outside, but if all attendees want to go to the disco, I can cancel this. Please let Mrs Firth know as soon as possible.**



## After School Club

After School Clubs will continue after half term.

If there are any changes a letter will be sent out by Mrs Firth during the first week back.

### Monday

Sewing Club—Mrs Potts and Mrs Chadfield

### Tuesday

Football—Mr Rockett

### Wednesday

Choir—Mrs Beckett

### Thursday

Stay and Play—Miss Cooper

### Friday

Basketball—Mr Rockett—years 1 to 6

## After School Boosters

### Monday

Year 6—Maths

### Wednesday

Year 6—Reading

Year 5—Maths (Mrs Boden)

Year 5—Maths (Mr Searson)

**Letters for these will be sent out separately**

## St Joseph's Got Talent

Calling all Talent—if you would like to audition for this years St Joseph's Got Talent' the audition slips are available at the office. Auditions will take place after the Easter Holidays.



## Home Reading/Books and Beyond

In order to improve children's engagement in reading and to increase the amount of reading your child does at home, we are re-launching 'Books and Beyond'. All children from Years 1-6 will take part. The following incentives will be available:

- Read 75 times by 17.3.18 as shown in your reading diary

and be invited for tea with the governors/certificate and move to the Gold Planet

- Read 100 times by 5.5.18 as shown in your reading diary receive a special award and a gold certificate

## Learning behaviour next half term is 'Teamwork'



## Community Involvement At Bunnings

Bunnings Warehouse for home improvements and gardens, which is situated at Parkgate Retail Park, is a leading Australian and New Zealand retailer with over 25 years experience. They offer fundraising opportunities for non-profit groups in the form of a 'Sausage Sizzle' In-store fundraising also gives them the opportunity to raise awareness and funds for groups with 100% of the profits going directly back into the community.

We are therefore pleased

to advise that our school will benefit from some of this funding in the form of upgrading the garden entrance near the church, they are going to supply the materials and Mr Seddons has kindly volunteered to help. In addition

Staff will be working the 'Sausage Sizzle' on Sunday 18th March. Please come along and support us, all money made on that day, will be used towards improvement to the school. Plus it will be funny to see Mr Searson or myself cooking sausages! Charges are £1.50 for sausage sizzle and £1.00 for drinks.

## Stage Right Theatre Group

The group run by our very own Mrs Knight will be presenting 'Magic Melodies' a night of entertainment and fundraising in aid of St Joseph's Catholic Primary School. Taking place at Rycroft Club on South Street Rawmarsh on 20th April

2018 starting at 7:15pm. Tickets are £5.00 single or £15.00 a family ticket. The evening will include various solo artists, Kilnhurst Community Choir, The Sweet Tones, Stage Right theatre performance, and lots more. Face Painting and also a

A Raffle. If you would like to reserve a ticket, please contact 07794943134.

## Who to see in School

*If you would like to discuss anything about your child then your first port of call is the class teacher, please see them either first thing in the morning or after school and arrange a convenient time to meet or speak via dojo.*

*Alternatively you can speak with Mrs Curran or Mrs Glossop our pastoral team who will be able to offer support or advice. If you then need to speak with either Mrs McLaughlin or Mrs Briggs, then Mrs Curran or the class teacher can make an appointment for you. If you would like to make an appointment rather than speak with the class teacher or our pastoral care team, please see Mrs Firth on reception to arrange an appointment.*



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**Spring Term ends  
Thursday 29th  
March at 3:15 pm.**



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**Overall Attendance Percentage since September 2017 (which is half a school year) is 95.1% against a target of 97%**

## Attendance/Lates 22nd to 26th January 2018

Please remember school starts at 8:50 am. You are classed as being late from 9:00 am when the register closes.

| Class                        | Number Of Lates | % Attendance | Target 97% |
|------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|------------|
| FS2 Miss Cooper              | 5               | 98.3%        |            |
| Year 1 Mr Terry              | 6               | 99.3%        |            |
| Year 2 Mrs Potts             | 0               | 98.2%        |            |
| Year 3 Mrs Butler/Mrs Holmes | 2               | 94.0%        |            |
| Year 4 Mrs Beckett           | 1               | 87.8%        |            |
| Year 5 Mr Searson            | 2               | 95.9%        |            |
| Year 6 Mrs Smith             | 2               | 94.8%        |            |
| <b>School Totals</b>         | <b>18</b>       | <b>95.5%</b> |            |

We now have a late gate in operation at the school entrance, parents who bring their child into school late, will need to speak with Mrs Devine, this is being monitored more closely and any consistent lates will result in a request to attend the Late Panel with the Chair of Governors and a referral to our EWO (Educational Welfare Officer)

## Hospital/Dentist or Doctor's Appointments

If your child has an appointment in school time, please ensure that a copy of the letter or record card is brought into school, so we can copy this for our register, if the appointment is sent via a phone message please show this to Mrs Firth or Mrs Devine at the school office.

## Diary Dates

### Monday 19th February

Inset day—Staff First Aid Training

### Thursday 1st March

Family Learning—sock creations—details to follow

### Wednesday 21st March

World Poetry Day

### Tuesday 20th February

School Opens for children

### Thursday 8th March

Family learning details to follow

### Friday 23rd March

Spanish Day—St Jose' celebration

### Thursday 22nd February

Y2 author visit to the Library

### Sunday 18th March

Fund Raising event—Sizzling Sausage—help wanted

### Thursday 29th March

School closes for Easter at 3:15 pm

### Friday 23rd February

Valentines Disco—details to follow

### Monday 19th March

NSPCC Assemblies and workshops

### Tuesday 17th April

Parents Evening 5-7pm

### Wednesday 18th April

Y4 Swimming starts

### Thursday 1st March

World Book Day—details to follow

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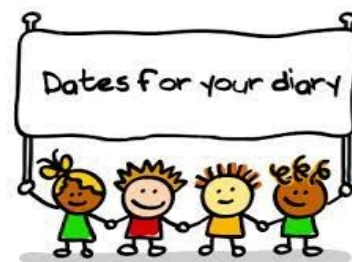
Next Payment due for Robinwood

### Wednesday 18th April

Parents Evening 3:30 to 5pm

### 19th—23rd March

Sports Relief Week



## Holy Week Presentations

### Monday 26th March

9:15 FS2/Y1 Palm Sunday

### Tuesday 27th March

9:15 Y3 Last Supper

### Wednesday 28th March

9:15 Y2 Garden of Gesthemane

2:30 Y6 Trial of Jesus

### Thursday 29th March

9:15 Y4 Denial of Peter

2:30 Y5 Crucifixion