

# St John XXIII Catholic Primary School



## Newsletter – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2017

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Please can parents/carers refrain from using mobile phones at drop off/collection times, a reminder the school is a mobile free zone, thank you.



We still have spaces for children to join Upper Phase Gymnastics on Tuesdays, Upper Phase Multisports on Wednesdays and Upper Phase Netball on Thursdays, cost will be £16 per term as one session has taken place. Please can parents ensure they are on time to collect their children from clubs at 4pm, if you are late more than twice your child will be removed from the club.



This will take place on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> February, see flyer sent out today. There are different times for Nursery – Y2 (who must be accompanied by their parent/carer) and Years 3-6 who can go home and return for 4.45pm.

We are looking for a DJ for this event (they will be paid!), please let the office/PTA know if you can help, thank you.



We are pleased to let you know we have now despatched 13 large sacks of backpacks to children in Africa. Thank you once again to everyone who donated items for this appeal. Also big thanks to PTA members Anne Vaughan, Blessing Dore & Nancy Osuhor for all their help last week sorting all the bags out!

*“Last week Years 5 and 6 had the opportunity to participate in a workshop about Slavery and how we can prevent it. We enjoyed listening to stories about slavery and learnt how to notice if somebody is a slave. We took part in a role play of a woman who found people in a poor place and took them into her home where they then worked for her. At the end of the workshop we received a certificate, it was great experience. “*

*By Jake Louisy – Headboy*

## INTERNATIONAL WEEK 6-10<sup>th</sup> February 2017



The children have lots to look forward to during International Week including Bollywood dancers, drama and steel drum workshops!

Please let us know if you would like to come into school during that week to talk to the children about your culture or have any other ideas.

We will also be celebrating an International Mass at 9.30am on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February (bidding prayers welcome).

**\*\*\* Change of date \*\*\***

**We will now be holding our International Event on the day of the Summer Fair on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June. Children will be able to wear their international costumes on this day and we hope to have lots of shows and dances to look forward to, this will give you lots of time to practice! More details to follow.**

### SCHOOL LUNCH QUESTIONNAIRES



**Thank you very much for taking the time to complete and return these questionnaires. Our first working party met earlier this week and feedback will be sent out to you shortly.**



On Tuesday Years 2 and 5 had a visit from the London Fire Brigade. The Firefighters were very impressed with how much the children already knew about Fire Safety. Diego in Year 2 said "I really enjoyed the game where we had to spot all the different things in a house that could accidentally start a fire." Here are some useful tips and facts from the children:-

- Test your fire alarm every week!
- Never play with matches and candles
- By closing a door you can stop a fire from spreading by up to 20 minutes.

If you'd like to know more about what to do in a fire and how to prevent a fire, come and speak to Years 2 and 5!

# Beanstalk

Read • Grow • Succeed

We have recently begun a partnership with the charity Beanstalk. Beanstalk is a national literacy charity that recruits, trains and supports volunteers to work in local primary schools with children who have fallen behind with their reading. They work with children on a one-to-one basis, giving them consistent support to improve reading levels, increase overall confidence and help them gain the vital literacy skills they need to succeed. Each Beanstalk reading helper works with three children and sees each child for two 30 minute sessions a week, during the school day, for a whole year.

If this sounds like something you are interested in then please get in touch with Beanstalk on 020 7729 4087 or email [innerlondon@beanstalkcharity.org.uk](mailto:innerlondon@beanstalkcharity.org.uk) The website [www.beanstalkcharity.org.uk](http://www.beanstalkcharity.org.uk) gives more information.

## ATTENDANCE COMPETITION

Here are the results for this half term so far - well done to Y6W who have the highest percentage so far, 3 weeks to go! The winning class will get a prize.

RWN	89.05%	Y4	97.44%
RSOC	97.12%	Y5	96.90%
Y1 M	97.90%	Y6K	95.31%
Y1 F	92.31%	Y6D	96.85%
Y2	97.39%	<b>Y6W</b>	<b>99.45%</b>
Y3	98.31%		



### Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	Y2 World Kitchen day (every 2 weeks)
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> January	Athletics Tournament at Burlington Danes
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> January	Y4 Assembly (9.00am)
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> January	Mayors Cup v St Peters
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	Choir/School of Rock trip to Royal Albert Hall
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	Y5 Assembly (9.00am)
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> February	Nursery Trip to Hammersmith Fire Station
6 <sup>th</sup> – 10 <sup>th</sup> February	Y2 Trip to Wagamama Westfield
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	PTA Disco
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	International Week
<b>13<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> February</b>	International Mass (9.30am)
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Mayors Cup v Wormholt Park
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	<b>Half Term</b>
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	Y6W Assembly (9.00am)
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	EYFS/Lower Phase Parent Day
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Upper Phase Parent Day
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	PTA Pancake Sale
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Y6D Assembly (9.00am)
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	Reception Trip to Science Museum
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Y1M Assembly (9.00am)
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Choir/School of Rock trip to Cadogan Hall Chelsea
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Y2 Assembly (9.00am)
<b>Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March</b>	Y1F Assembly (9.00am)
<b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Y1 Trip to Natural History Museum
<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April</b>	Y3/4 Liturgy (1.30pm)
	Y5/6 Way of the Cross (1.30pm)
	<b>End of Term (1.30pm)</b>
	<b>Staff Inset Day</b>
	<b>Children back to school</b>

