

Thought for the week

'Knowing what's right doesn't mean much unless you do what's right'.

Headteacher's Message

It has been wonderful to visit each classroom this week and see the huge variety of learning that has taken place. From visiting the Romans in Year 4, Mexico in Year 6 to listening to A Fire of London song in Year 1 and getting close to minibeasts in Year 2, the enthusiasm and enjoyment has been on the faces of all the children. They have concluded their topic learning by proudly presenting it to their families with such confidence and their knowledge has shone through in their detailed answers to my questions. Here is a small sample of some of the learning that has taken place.

This week was also the inter-house school maths quiz. Teams from KS1, LKS2 and UKS2 competed against each other over the course of the week. Each contest was very close showing how strong our children are at maths. The overall winners and champions of Autumn 2017 are Farah. Well done to everyone who took part.

Our Harvest Festival was a huge success, with the food collected being taken by The Salvation Army. They were extremely grateful for the contributions and asked me to pass on their thanks. They rely on such donations to carry on with their community outreach, which as they described 'is more in demand than ever.'

Please don't forget to sign up for our parent consultations taking place on Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th November. Forms will be in the entrance from Monday 30th October.

Today is the last day for Miss Dakin as she leaves to start her maternity leave. We wish her and her family the very best and look forward to her returning to school in July. I'm sure she will be popping in to see us all in the next few months, but in the meantime we welcome Miss Riches who will be joining Mrs Ventress in teaching Year 4 after half term.



I know Christmas still seems far away but the PTA would once again like to offer parents the chance to order their 2017 Christmas cards designed by the ASJ children. This was extremely popular last year, is such a lovely personalised touch and of course, it has the added benefit of supporting our school in the process.

Tonight you will have received a sample card designed by your child, if you would like to order the cards or any personalised items please complete the order form and return to school by Monday 6th November. Please return your orders in an envelope labelled 'Christmas cards' with your child's name and class and finally please ensure that cheques are made out to "Adel St John the Baptist Primary School PTA"

Have a peaceful break next week; we will see you back at school on 30th October.

Mrs Jane Hainsworth

Dear God,
You love us at all times. You know what we are and what we can be.
You are a friend who promises to stick by us forever.
We too would like to be faithful in our friendships.
Please help us today to be true to those around us.
Lord hear our prayer
Amen.



PTA News –

Bonfire Night Saturday 4th November 2017

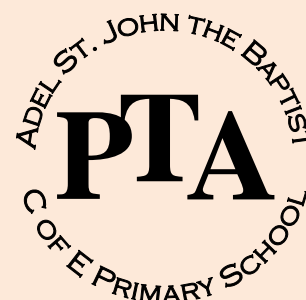
We will be accepting wood for the bonfire from Thursday 2nd November. You can drop it off near the side gates – or please speak to Francis for more details

The help rota will continue to be out after half term. This event relies heavily on volunteers so please help where you can. We are always short of helpers for the bar, refreshments and to help with marshalling and the main gates. This is a massive fundraiser for the school.

Christmas Fayre Saturday 2nd December 2017

We are now looking for people that feel able to donate a raffle prize for the Christmas Fayre. This could be food vouchers, spa days, treatments, hampers etc. If you do please get in touch with the PTA team you can e-mail suze_hatters@yahoo.co.uk

Thanks from the PTA team



Attendance and Minutes Late Report

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance (5th September 2017 – 13th Oct 2017)	98.32%	98.44%	98.04%	97.20%	99.14%	94.74%	96.22%
Minutes Late (9th – 13th Oct 2017)	0	0	20	10	2	2	100+
Number of children arriving between 9.00 - 9.05am (9 th – 13 th Oct)	0	1	1	1	2	4	8



Last week's On Time Award goes to:

Reception

Parents paying weekly should always send dinner money in each Monday morning. Cheques should be made payable to Leeds City Council.
Thank you. **Anyone wanting to change from school meals to packed lunch and vice versa, the office requires a half terms notice.**

Autumn Term 2	Spring Term 1
30 th October – 15 th December 2017 £73.50	3 rd January – 9 th February 2018 £58.80

Golden Book Wednesday 18th October 2017 – this week's Golden Stars!

<i>Year 1 Staff Vote</i>	<i>Alfie for excellent singing of our Flow, Flow, Flow song for our Great Fire of London learning. Ali for building a good house in Design and Technology. It was sturdy and well decorated.</i>
<i>Year 2 Staff Vote</i>	<i>Grace for her determination and perseverance with her reading as she flies through her books.</i>
<i>Year 2 Pupil Vote</i>	<i>Thomas for good P.E.</i>
<i>Year 3 Staff Vote</i>	<i>Eassar for an excellent attitude in swimming in his new group.</i>
<i>Year 3 Pupil Vote</i>	<i>Finlay (received 3 separate nominations!) for getting on with his learning, specifically in maths and for helping another child in lessons.</i>
<i>Year 4 Staff Vote</i>	<i>Abigail for a fantastic learning log – you produced an impressive information book.</i>
<i>Year 4 Pupil Vote</i>	<i>Varoon for his kindness to others.</i>
<i>Year 5 Staff Vote</i>	<i>Louis, Ariana and Amy S for their massive improvement in reading skills.</i>
<i>Year 5 Pupil Vote</i>	<i>Max for being so brave when having horrible nose bleeds.</i>
<i>Year 6 Staff Vote</i>	<i>Isabel, Fay and Millie for excellent learning logs, persuading me to buy useless items.</i>
<i>Year 6 Pupil Vote</i>	<i>Ellie, Fintan, Fay and Jaeden for their great scores in our maths test.</i>

Dates for the Diary (New Dates added in red)

Monday 30 October 2017	First day of Autumn term 2
Tuesday 31st October 2017	High School applications deadline
Monday 30 October 2017	Parents consultations board in entrance
Tuesday 31st October 2017	KS1 Premier Sports Gymnastics Club Starts 3.15 - 4.15
Wednesday 1st November 2017	KS2 Premier Sports Gymnastics Club Starts 3.15 - 4.15
Friday 3 November 2017	Year 1 trip to Flamingo Land
Saturday 4 November 2017	PTA Bonfire extravaganza (<i>option 1</i>)
Monday 6th November 2017	PTA Christmas Card deadline
Tuesday 7 November 2017	Parent consultations – whole school
Wednesday 8 November 2017	Parent consultations – whole school
Wednesday 8 November 2017	Reception 2018 – Open morning – 9.30am
Saturday 11 November 2017	PTA Bonfire extravaganza (<i>option 2</i>)
Monday 13 November 2017	Anti-Bullying Week – Blue Monday - <i>details to follow</i>
Thursday 16 November 2017	Nasal Flu Immunisation Reception-Year 4
Friday 17 November 2017	Children in Need
Thursday 23 November 2017	Reception 2018 – Open morning – 9.30am
Thursday 23 November 2017	Year 4 – Rewind to Christmas – South Prade Baptist Church
Thursday 30 November 2017	Bring a bottle for the Christmas Fayre Tombola (Dress down Day)
Friday 1st December 2017	Whole school walking to church for Advent – 9.30am walking volunteers needed
Saturday 2 December 2017	PTA Christmas Fayre – 12noon start
Tuesday 5th December 2017	Evening Performance of Nativity KS1 & Reception 6.30pm
Wednesday 6 th December 2017	Year 6 Class Collective Worship – 9:15am Year 6 Parents welcome
Wednesday 6 December 2017	Afternoon Performance of Nativity KS1 & Reception 1.45pm
Friday 15 December 2017	Christmas Collective Worship – 9.15am all welcome
Friday 15 December 2017	Carols around the Christmas tree – 2.45pm all welcome
Friday 15 December 2017	Last day of term – National Christmas Jumper Day – <i>details to follow</i>
Tuesday 2 January 2018	Whole school training day
Wednesday 3 January 2018	First Day of Spring Term 1
Thursday 4 January 2018	Reception 2018 – Open afternoon – 1.30pm
Wednesday 24 th January 2018	Year 5 Class Collective Worship – 9:15am Year 5 Parents welcome
Wednesday 7 th February 2018	Year 4 Class Collective Worship – 9:15am Year 4 Parents welcome
Thursday 1 March 2018	Offers of High School places sent out
Wednesday 7th March 2018	Year 3 Class Collective Worship – 9:15am Year 3 Parents welcome
Wednesday 25 th April 2018	Year 1 Class Collective Worhsip – 9:15am Year 1 Parents welcome
Wednesday 13 th June 2018	Year 2 Class Collective Worship – 9:15am Year 2 Parents welcome
Wednesday 27 th June 2018	Reception Class Collective Worship – 9:15am Reception Parents welcome
Wednesday 25 July 2018	Whole school training day

2 more training days still to be arranged