

"I will keep him in perfect peace whose mind is set on me." Isaiah 26:3

Headteacher's Message



Adel St John is a very special place to be at this time of year, young children singing Christmas songs, while shepherds with their sheep pass by in the corridor. Conversations are of costumes, carols and the PTA Christmas cards made by the children. Thank you for supporting this project as it has raised a wonderful £188 for PTA funds.

Also, thank you for all your donations towards the Fayre tomorrow. It is such a wonderful event in the year; you can meet Santa, win some wonderful prizes, do some Christmas shopping, join in Christmas carols with our choir and toast in the season with mulled wine. All in one afternoon! We look forward to seeing you.



This week has also been busy, away from preparations for the festive season. On Monday, thirty children from Years 4, 5 and 6 took part in the Inter-school Cross Country Festival at Cardinal Heenan. Conditions were testing at times but all children gave their all and thoroughly enjoyed the physically and mentally demanding course. Though we didn't progress to the next stage of the competition, the runners were a credit to our school and their determination was commendable. Miss Griffin would like to congratulate you all.

On Tuesday, a group of year 6 children held a bun sale in aid of Dementia UK. Through their initiative, determination and organisational skills they raised an



amazing £130 for the charity. Their parents were extremely supportive of the event and like everyone at ASJ, were very proud. Yesterday, three pupils attended an Able Maths Day at Ireland Wood Primary School. The children had great fun learning about properties of number, which sometimes bordered on the bizarre; manipulating shapes, patterns in number and strange numerical sequences.

Year 6 will lead a class Collective Worship on 6th December. If you have a child in this class then please accept our invitation to join us at 9.15am. The children will lead this worship focusing on the Christian value of Peace, linking it to their topic A Child's War. Details for the other class workshops are listed at the back of this newsletter, so please make note of your child's class and the date.

The dress rehearsal for the Reception and Key Stage 1 Nativity is now complete with children throughout school enjoying the performance this afternoon. The performances for next week are now full and can I remind you for Health and Safety reasons we cannot allow people to come in without a ticket. Also **please do not film the performance on your phone**; it is being filmed professionally, which you can order.

Finally, we have had lots of lovely news in school this week. Miss Dakin has had a baby girl – Sophie Alice who was born on 23 November, weighing 7lbs 9oz, both are doing well. To follow this, Miss Griffin and Mrs Bolton have both announced they are expecting in June. Congratulations to them and their families - we are so excited to be welcoming three more babies to Adel St John.

Jane Hainsworth
Headteacher

Dear God
Thank you for sending
Jesus into the world to
bring us light and peace.
Teach us how to find times
of stillness during this
busy Christmas season.
Lord, hear our prayer
Amen.



Reading Focus

Stay tuned for news of
a Christmas 'Extreme
Reading' competition
coming up next week.

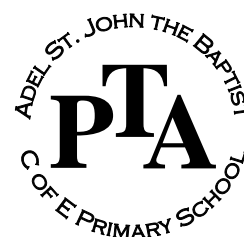


Fundraising Reminder when Christmas shopping

Using the Easy fund raising website is an easy way of raising money via the PTA's registered charity. It doesn't cost you anything - just shop online using their partner retailers - Amazon, John Lewis, Ebay and over 200 more. When you make purchases they donate money to the school.

Quick instructions into doing this

1. Go to <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/adelstjohn/>
2. Click on "Get Started" link and complete the registration.
3. Download the "Find and remind" toolbar (optional but acts as a good reminder about this)
4. Start shopping online and see extra funds come to the school.



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Attendance and Minutes Late Report

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance (5th September 2017 – 24 th Nov 2017)	98.49%	97.85%	96.82%	97.41%	98.48%	95.09%	96.03%
Minutes Late (20th – 24 th Nov 2017)	0	0	40	0	0	4	18
Number of children arriving between 9.00 - 9.05am (20 th – 24 th Nov)	1	2	3	4	1	3	2

Adel Stairway Reward Booklets:

Congratulations to the following children who have completed their Bronze booklets this week.

BRONZE 250 Stampers Achieved	
Cora – Year 1 Simran – Year 1 Ishaan – Year 1	Ethan – Year 1 Alfie – Year 1 Chetan – Year 1 Evan – Year 3



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 14 November 2017 – this week's Golden Stars!

<i>Reception Staff Vote</i>	<i>Indy for being a fantastic role model throughout our Nativity Practices. You always try your best Indy. Well done.</i> <i>Isla for being very responsible when helping Miss Haden-Grant during our Nativity. She always remembers her important job. Well done Isla.</i>
<i>Year 1 Staff Vote</i>	<i>Tibby for excellent concentration and effort during phonics.</i> <i>Aryan for excellent problem solving skills during a puzzle.</i>
<i>Year 2 Staff Vote</i>	<i>Matilda for her fantastic riddle which contained all the features we had discussed.</i>
<i>Year 2 Pupil Vote</i>	<i>Max for impressing everybody with his speaking and his arm movements in rehearsals.</i>
<i>Year 3 Staff Vote</i>	<i>Adiel for putting lots of effort in to writing his Greek myth.</i>
<i>Year 3 Pupil Vote</i>	<i>Mateen for improving his handwriting and being a great member of a team.</i>
<i>Year 4 Staff Vote</i>	<i>Gurmukh for settling in so well on his first day.</i>
<i>Year 4 Pupil Vote</i>	<i>Ayman for making Joey feel enthusiastic for cross country.</i>
<i>Year 5 Staff Vote</i>	<i>Rosanna for joining in with lessons and sharing her ideas.</i>
<i>Year 5 Pupil Vote</i>	<i>Ariana for being supportive and helpful to others.</i>
<i>Year 6 Staff Vote</i>	<i>Isabel for a faultless recital of a very long World War 2 poem.</i>
<i>Year 6 Pupil Vote</i>	<i>The Bun Sale team for great work supporting charity.</i>

Pupil achievements out of school

Isla – Reception	Duckling swimming Stage 4
Jacob – Year 1	Learn to Swim certificate and badge Stage 3
Arabella - Year 2	Learn to Swim certificate and badge Stage 3
Joe – Year 2	Karate competition medals
Thomas – Year 2	Karate competition medals

Dates for the Diary (New Dates added in red)

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 8 th December 2017	Christingle Service – school only
Monday 11th December 2017	Year 3 Greek Day – Year 3 parents welcome (2:45pm)
Monday 11th December 2017	KS1 Christmas Party (1-2pm)
Tuesday 12th December 2017	KS2 Christmas Party Y3/4 (1–2pm)
Wednesday 13th December 2017	KS2 Christmas Party Y5/6 (1-2pm)
Wednesday 13th December 2017	Year 3 & 4 Aquafestival Holt Park
Wednesday 13th December 2017	Reception – Family morning (end of topic) 8:50 – 9:30 in Hall
Thursday 14th December 2017	Young Voices (Y5&6) visiting Adel Grange
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
Thursday 11th January 2018	First football club of Spring Term 1
Monday 15th January 2018	Deadline: Admissions Reception 2018
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
Thursday 3rd May 2018	Whole school training day
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

1 more training day still to be arranged