

# Adel St John the Baptist Church of England Primary School Newsletter

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"There is no greater joy nor greater reward than to make a fundamental difference in someone's life."

#### Headteacher's Message

This week has been Anti-Bullving Week. Our Peer Mentors led the assembly on Monday. They explained in detail how the change to bullying starts with ourselves – it is up to us to make sure we are treating others in a way that we would like to be treated ourselves. On Tuesday we all wore odd socks to display our individuality and today discussed celebrating what makes us unique, how important it is that everyone feels valued and included in school without a fear of bullying. We are now in the process of creating a whole school display to celebrate our unity and our unique qualities.

Last Friday Year 2 got very messy at the start of their Muck n Mess topic. The children sculpted shaving foam, made slimy custard, painted with balloons, made rainbow foam, tried to mould jelly and mixed salt and food colouring before going on to make their own butter using just cream and a lot of shaking.

Today Year 1 visited Eureka as part of their topic Bright Lights, Big City. They were very excited setting off as they were taking part in a coding workshop on the visit.

Unfortunately, due to the power cuts we experienced last week we were forced to cancel the evening information meeting to discuss the Ofsted Inspection Framework. Feedback from the morning meeting was that it was helpful in clarifying some of the procedures we have in place. It gives detail to our creative curriculum and information regarding the inspection process itself. If you were unable to attend, a new meeting has been rearranged and the details can be found in dates for your diary. A reminder mobile app will be sent nearer the time.

Of course, today is also Children in Need. Thank you for all your donations – at this point we have raised an

amazing £218.20, which will be passed to the charity to support and change children's lives across the UK.







#### Admissions – Reception 2020

If you know of anybody with a school age child will you remind them that they must apply through Leeds City Council for a place in Reception – even if they already have a sibling at the school. A poster with more information can be found at the end of this newsletter.

We also ask that they fill in one of our Supplementary Information Forms that they can collect from our school office or download a copy from the website www.adel-stjohn.leeds.sch.uk





#### Weekly prayer

Dear God,

Help us to remember that bullying is never the answer, no matter what situation.

*May we remember that every* person's life is precious and different to anyone else's.

When we are hurting others by our words and action, please help us to stop and think of other people's feelings.

Thank you for showing us how to use our voice for kind not nasty words.

Lord, please accept our prayer.

Amen.

Prayer written by Amelia and Miriam in Year 3



#### **PTA News**

#### **Bonfire success**

Thank you to all who attended our fantastic bonfire extravaganza! It was enjoyed by many many families of our school and the local community and we raised a fantastic £3,059. A huge thank you to all who volunteered and made the event possible, we had lots of parent volunteers on the night, it was great team work!

## **Christmas Fayre planning**

It is now 3 weeks until the Christmas Fayre, Friday 6th December and the PTA would like to share the following updates:

Event letters and Raffle tickets will be issued to every household, in the near future, please sell as many as you can. If you require more raffle tickets to sell these can be obtained from the school office.

**Empty clean Jam Jars are** needed and can be handed into school immediately. These will be filled with treats and sweets for tombola prizes etc. Please don't throw any away, just drop them off at school.

The Volunteer Rota will be displayed outside school from the 25<sup>th</sup> November. Please put the date in your diary and sign up if you are free to help in any way.



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Please keep an eye out for further updates via newsletters, the mobile app and Facebook yr groups. Thanks for your continued support.

#### **Fundraising Reminder**

With Christmas shopping on people's minds, it is a good time to remind you again about Easy Fundraising – the website which helps raise money for school.

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 <a href="http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/adelstjohn/">http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/adelstjohn/</a>
- 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.



#### Attendance and Minutes Late Report

Our target for whole school attendance is 97% - Whole school attendance last week was 99.07%

In total 4 sessions were lost last week due to holidays taken in term time
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	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance							
(4th September 2019 – 8 <sup>th</sup> November 2019)	98.85%	98.52%	98.33%	98.79%	98.79%	97.87%	98.19%
Minutes Late							
4 <sup>th</sup> - 8 <sup>th</sup> November 2019)	3	2	0	38	0	0	0
Number of							
children arriving	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
between 9.00 -					•		
9.05am 4 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup>							
November 2019)							



Last weeks On Time Award goes to:

Year 2 and Year 5

#### **ASJ Reward Booklets:**

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

BRONZE 250 Stampers Achieved				
Oscar – Year 2 Charlotte – Year 2 George -Year 2 Katherine -Year 2 Olivia – Year 2 Indy – Year 2 Anna – Year 2 Yaseen – Year 2 Esther - Year 2	Alfie - Year 3 Theo - Year 3 Ruby - Year 3 Gracie May - Year 3 Simran - Year 3 Ethan - Year 3	Sophie - Year 4 Alexander - Year 4 Finlay - Year 5 Anna - Year 5 George - Year 5 Raquel - Year 5 Poppy - Year 5		

# **Dinner money**

Please remember when paying money to school for lunches, to always use your YELLOW RECEIPT CARD, thank you. Payment can be made by cash or cheque (cheques for school meals - payable to Leeds City Council please).

Autumn Term 2	Spring Term 1
4 Nov − 20 Dec	7 Jan − 14 Feb
£77.00	£63.80

# Golden Book Tuesday 12th November 2019 – this week's Golden Stars!

Year 1 Staff Vote	Meredith for working well independently.
Year 1 Pupil Vote	James for improving his reading.
Year 2 Staff Vote	Hollie for a fantastic firework poem. Alliteration, exciting adjectives and the ending even rhymed.
Year 2 Pupil Vote	Aria, for being so brave when she hurt her head in the playground.
Year 3 Staff Vote	Robbie for settling in really well; well done.
Year 3 Pupil Vote	Jack because he's a good partner.
Year 4 Staff Vote	Grace for fantastic understanding about on line safety. Well done.
Year 4 Pupil Vote	Olivia for helping everyone on the table in maths when we are stuck.
Year 5 Staff Vote	Mateen for a memorable mnemonic.
Year 5 Pupil Vote	George for great creative ideas on his DT project to make a space.
Year 6 Staff Vote	Amber for maintaining a sensible mature attitude when the rest of the class was a bit giddy after wet playtimes last week.
Year 6 Pupil Vote	Varoon for his positive energy in class.

### **Dates for the Diary (New Dates added in red)**

Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	Sport Hall Athletics – Years 4-6- Ralph Thoresby
Thursday 21st November 2019	Reception 2020 Open Morning – 9.30am
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	Presentation to parents re OFSTED 6:30pm (re-scheduled date)
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	KS1 Gymnastics KS1 – Leeds Gymnastics Club
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December 2019	Flu immunisations (pm) Reception – Year 6 (Revised date)
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Dress down day - Bring a Bottle for the PTA Christmas Fayre
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	PTA Christmas Fayre (after school – details to follow)
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Reception and KS1 Christmas Production – 6.30pm
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Reception and KS1 Christmas Production – 1.30pm
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Christmas Lunch – whole school
Friday 13th December 2019	Reception and Year 6 –NHS Measurement Programme and Vision checks (Reception)
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Reception 2020 Open afternoon 1.30pm
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	KS2 (Y5 and Y6) Christmas Party (1-2pm)
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	KS2 (Y3 and Y4) Christmas Party (1-2pm)
Wednesday 18th December 2019	Year 4 Aqua Festival, Holt Park Active
Thursday 19th December 2019	KS1 Christmas Party (1-2pm)
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Carols around the tree 2:45pm (all welcome)
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Break up for Christmas holiday
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2020	Whole school Training Day
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> January 2020	Reception 2020 Open afternoon 1.30pm
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2020	Whole school Training Day
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2020	Whole school Training Day

All remaining training days for this academic year have now been allocated —see above.



