



The Diocese of Nottingham
ST JOHNFISHER CATHOLIC VOLUNTARY ACADEMY

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Friday 16th February 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

A message from the Headteacher

Congratulations to our fabulous Year 2 class who delivered such a stunning assembly this morning. We were encouraged to 'Give it up!' as we focused our intentions in making changes during Lent to support others. The children sang with such enthusiasm and spoke so confidently; it was a privilege to be in attendance.

Year 5 and Year 6 enjoyed a wonderful careers day last Thursday as they spent the day finding out about 8 different occupations. It was a really good opportunity for the children ask questions, try out different activities and to also, look at all the options that are available to them. We are very grateful to Dr Niall, The Police, Lloyds Bank, The RAF, SAAF Education, Rolls-Royce, Jordan Piano and CPA.

Thank you to Father Mark for leading such a beautiful and reverent Ash Wednesday Mass. It was lovely to see lots of families and parishioners represented and the children's behaviour was excellent.

Finally, I have sent out a separate information letter which details homework arrangements for after the half term and also, outlines procedures for the start of the school day.

House Point Winners

A BIG well done, to **Courage** who are the winning House Team for this half term. It was lovely to see them in their own clothes yesterday. Magnificent.

Attendance Winners

Well done also to **Year 6** who are the attendance winners for this half term. Fantastic work!

Year 5 Ilam and RSE Parents Meeting

This year's parents meeting for Ilam and the RSE programme will take place on **Tuesday 6th March 2018 at 3.15pm**. This is an important meeting where information will be shared about Ilam residential and RSE lessons.

Computing Workshop

We will be holding a Computing Workshop for parents on **Thursday 8th March 2018 at 2.15pm** where we will give practical examples of how we deliver the curriculum at St John Fisher. All are welcome to attend.

PTFA Meeting

The next PTFA meeting will take place in school on **Thursday 1st March 2018**. All welcome for a 6.15pm start.

Book Week

Will begin the first day back on Monday 26th February 2018 with 'Bacon Butties' for Dads and Grandads at 8.40am followed by a launch assembly. Competitions will be running throughout the week and we will also be having a Book Fayre in school. Dressing up day is on the Friday and I am sure we will see some magnificent creations. **Please see separate 'Book week' letter for further details.**

Extra Curricular Clubs w/b - 05.03.2018

Please note that clubs will be running from the second week back (5th March 2018) with Football and Rugby sessions now finishing at 4.30pm.

Monday - Y5/Y6 Football, Premier Sports 'Extreme Sports' after school club

Tuesday - Premier Sports Gymnastics after school club, Book café (Lunchtime) Year 5 'Touch Typing'

Thursday - Premier Sports Cheerleading after school, Chaplains (**4.00pm finish**)

Friday - Y4-6 Rugby

School closes

For half term on Friday 16th February 2018 returning back on **Monday 26th February 2018**.

Dates for your diary - up until Easter 2018

26th February - Back to School

26th February - Dads, Grandads & Uncles day welcome to join @08:40 until morning break.

28th February - Parent Lunch Yr 3 @ 11:45am

1st March - P.T.F.A. Meeting @ 6:15pm

2nd March - Book Character dressing up day

6th March - Yr5 Parent meeting @ 3:30pm Ilam Hall visit & Relationship/Sex Education

15th March - PTFA Disco KS1 - 5:00pm - 6:00pm

KS2 - 6:15pm - 7:15 pm

16th March - YR Easter Bonnet & Afternoon tea

21st March - Parents aft/eve 1:30pm-8.00pm

22nd March - Yr4 Last Supper Liturgy followed by Good Friday Liturgy @9:30am

23rd March - Break up for Easter

A final thought

Keep digging deep. In the end you will get to see the difference you want to make.

Have a lovely half term,

Yours sincerely,

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