



# St John Fisher Catholic Primary School

"Growing through God, we learn, laugh and love"

## NEWSLETTER 14th February 2025

A big well done to our amazing Year 5 artists on their fabulous mixed media portraits



**MOMENTS  
MATTER,  
ATTENDANCE  
COUNTS.**

**Attendance Ladder**



Our Attendance Target



**Year Group weekly Attendance**

**10th Feb 2025 - 14th Feb 2025**

Year Group	Attendance	
Year R	93.1%	2nd
Year Y1	92.5%	
Year Y2	91.0%	
Year Y3	92.5%	
Year Y4	92.6%	
Year Y5	96.3%	1st
Year Y6	90.9%	

**Half Term Attendance 6<sup>th</sup> Jan -14<sup>th</sup> Feb**

Year Group	Attendance	
Year R	93.8%	
Year Y1	95.7%	2nd
Year Y2	94.9%	3rd
Year Y3	93.2%	
Year Y4	94.6%	
Year Y5	96.8%	1st
Year Y6	90.4%	

# Year 1

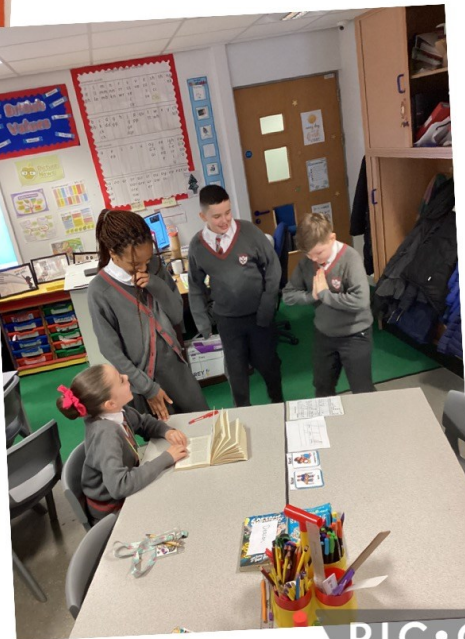
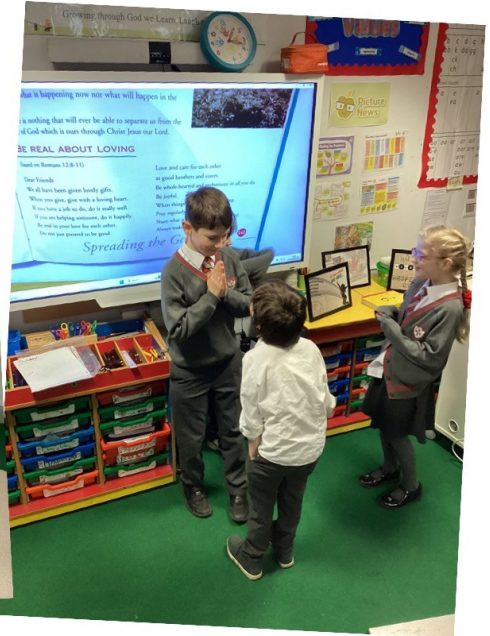
## Year 1 Art Colour mixing, Making different shades of green



PIC•COLLAGE

# Year 4

YEAR 4 HAD TO CREATE A DANCE, DRAMA OR MOVEMENT BASED ON BE REAL ABOUT LOVING AND JOINING TOGETHER AS A COMMUNITY IN COME AND SEE



# Year 6

Y6 artwork to celebrate the end of their History unit on the Windrush Pioneers



# World Book Day (6<sup>th</sup> March)

19<sup>th</sup> March - MandM production performing *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*

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 **Theme: Follow the Yellow Brick Road to Imagination** 

A magical day where children step into the world of *The Wizard of Oz*, celebrating reading and writing through immersive activities.

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## Dress-Up Ideas

Any imaginative costume is welcome.

However, if you want to get into the *Wizard of Oz* mood, here are some ideas

**Dorothy Gale** – Blue dress, red shoes, pigtails, basket with a stuffed dog.

**Scarecrow** – Plaid shirt, straw (or yellow paper) sticking out, floppy hat.

**Tin Man** – Silver/grey clothes, funnel hat, heart cutout.

**Cowardly Lion** – Brown clothes, DIY mane, tail, whiskers.

**Glinda the Good Witch** – Pink dress, sparkly crown, wand.

**Wicked Witch of the West (Elphaba)** – Black dress, pointy hat, green face paint.

**The Wizard of Oz** – Green or black suit, bow tie, top hat.

**Toto** – Grey or black clothes, dog ears (DIY with a headband).

**Flying Monkey** – Brown or grey hoodie, cardboard wings.

**Munchkin** – Bright, mismatched clothes, knee-high socks, oversized bow tie.

**The Lollipop Guild** – Striped shirt, suspenders, big lollipop (paper cutout).

**The Wicked Witch's Guards ("Oh-ee-oh" guys)** – Black outfit, red belt, tall black hat (paper cone).

**Emerald City Citizen** – All green clothes, sunglasses, and fancy hat.

**A Rainbow** - Colourful clothes or DIY a rainbow cape.

**A Tornado** - Grey outfit with cotton or fabric swirls attached, representing the storm that takes Dorothy to Oz.


On the day, children will take part in:

 **Best Costume:**

- Most Imaginative
  - Best Homemade Costume
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 **Writing Competitions**


1. "If I Met the Wizard..."      KS1 - Write their wish to the Wizard  
KS2 - write a letter persuading the Wizard to grant them a wish

 **Prizes** - Book token & golden certificates, a "Yellow Brick Road Writer" trophy.

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 **Games & Activities**


1. Follow the Yellow Brick Road Treasure Hunt

 Children collect letters to form a book-themed word. First to finish wins a prize!

2. Escape from the Wicked Witch's Castle (Escape Room Challenge)
3. Book Character Parade
4. Dorothy's Red Shoe Relay (weather dependent)
5. Wizard of Oz Reading Buddies

Older pupils read Oz-inspired stories to younger children.

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 **Live Storytelling** - Teachers welcome you into their classrooms at 2.45pm to share story time and memories of the day.

# Congratulations to the following children

## SMILE AWARDS



## DOJO AWARDS



## SUPERSTAR AWARDS





# Extra club hours are changing

**We will be extending our hours  
after half term as follows**

**Monday until 6pm**

**Tuesday until 6pm**

**Wednesday until 6pm**

**Thursday until 6pm**

**Friday until 5.30pm**

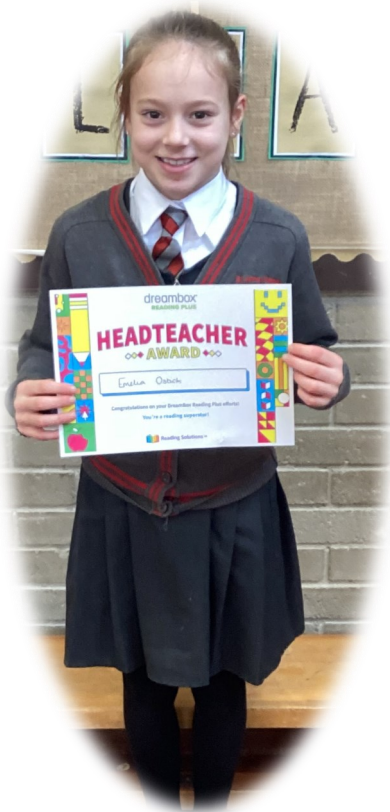
**In order to staff this properly we would ask that  
you let us know in advance if you intend for your  
child to stay past 5.30pm if they are booked onto  
the later session.**

# reading plus<sup>®</sup>

Thank you for those children completing their 5 reading lessons a week. We can really see the progress you are making and the pleasure you are taking from it. Please do try to ensure your child is completing their weekly lessons. Reading Plus is such a good tool to teach important reading and vocabulary skills in a fun, personalised way.

**Reading Plus WORKS and we have the evidence to prove it.  
Keep up the good work everyone.**

**KS2 children should be accessing Reading Plus from home for at least 30 mins a week (15 mins x 2 is fine)**



**This week our class winners are **Year 3**  
Well done to them.**

**Our pupil competition winner is Emilia from Year 4 and our phonics star is Luca from Reception.**



Please log back into the School Spider App.



## FEBRUARY

**School opens again on  
Monday 24th February.**

## MARCH

**Year 4 Swimming will start again on Tuesday 4th  
March**

- 5th March—Chemistry with Cabbage
- 6th March—World Book Day
- 10th March—Book Fair
- 19th March—The Wizard of Oz



Please note that from April 1st the price of a school meal is increasing to £3.00 per meal.

## Unwanted School Uniform

If you have any old uniform that you no longer want we would be happy to take it.

Ideally the younger sizes as that is what we are short of.

Also any underwear to use as spares in case of any little accidents.

### Bracelets

If anyone would like to make bracelets for the children in Africa as part of our Pilgrims of Hope project please bring them into school and we will pass them on.



**St John Fisher— on Instagram  
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**St John Fisher—Live on X  
Follow us @SJF\_Widnes.**

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**ALLERGIES**

**Our kitchen is nut free—we would ask that you do not send products containing nuts in to school in lunch boxes or snacks. Thank you for the support with this as it will limit the risk for our children with nut allergies.**

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<https://www.paperturn-view.com/wednesday-word/holiday-booklet?pid=MTA101634&v=167.5>

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**PARKING AROUND THE SCHOOL AT DROP OFF AND  
COLLECTION**

Can we please ask that you do not park or manoeuvre outside the gates when dropping off/collecting. As you can appreciate the school is situated in a side road which makes parking difficult so we would ask that you park elsewhere rather than risk manoeuvring on Edward Street.

We understand that you are all busy and have places to go of a morning and evening but please lets not wait for a child to be hurt.