



Love, Faith and Truth

Sacred Heart Catholic Voluntary Academy, Sowerby Bridge

NEWSLETTER 14 Friday 8th February 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

For our final week of this half term we will use the parable of 'The birth of Moses' to reflect on thankfulness and gratitude.



Please do encourage your child/children to talk to you about their understanding of virtues. Please share with us any examples where you feel they are trying to use these virtues in their daily lives.

Internet, Social Media and Gaming

Every February, our school celebrates Safer Internet Day to encourage the safe and positive use of technology for children and young people all over the world. This year's theme is Together for a better internet.

Your involvement at home can help reinforce these key messages and help your child become more confident online. Visit the **Be Internet Legends** website to try some fun family activities to help your child learn how to make the internet a safer and kinder place for everyone at g.co/BeInternetLegends/Parents

You can also help your child become a confident explorer of the online world with **Interland**, a free, exciting online game which reinforces the Internet Legends Code at g.co/Interland

Francesca Hoyle

Assistant Headteacher, KS2 leader and Year 6 Class Teacher.

Parent Governor Required

Please consider whether you or someone you know would like to be considered for the role of Parent Governor. Nomination forms were sent home last week. If you require any further information or have mislaid the form please do not hesitate to contact school. Forms must be returned to the school office on or before **Friday 15th February**.



In response to requests/suggestions from the parent questionnaire, this week Mrs Skwarek, Mrs Taylor and the children invited parents to a 'Phonics Taster Lesson.' **Willow Class Year 1** will host a similar event on **Thursday 14th February**

9-10:30am, please do your best to join them if you can. From the feedback received it is clear that the lesson was really informative and that you would welcome more sessions/opportunities to see how the children learn. We are currently looking into ways of achieving this and will be sending out a questionnaire to determine best day, time and subject area.



Do you know of any boys and girls who are looking for a place in school? Although the majority of our classes are full/almost full, we currently have space in Year 1 and Year 3. Please encourage any prospective parents to come and have a look around.



We realise that there has been a lot of 'fund raising' events during this half term and whilst they are all for very good causes please just do what you can.



Well this PTFA fundraiser has certainly appealed to the children! Despite it not actually starting until Monday many of the classes already have jars which are full to the brim! The winning class will be treated to a Pizza Party on Friday 1st March and the runner up class will receive £20 to put into their attendance jar.



- Next meeting **The Hollins Mill Inn Thursday 21st March 8pm - new members welcome.**
- **Any ideas/suggestions please use the PTFA suggestion box in the main entrance.**

The next PTFA fundraiser will be a 'Recreational Bring & Buy' Friday 8th March. Please start sorting through your *books, electronic and traditional board games and DVD's (we cannot accept anything rated higher than a 'U')*. Donations can be left at the school office please.



Please do your best to support the sponsored events/activities which each year group have decided to do in order to raise money for the NSPCC. The final day for sponsorship monies to be brought into school is Friday 15th Feb.



Friday 15th February. £1 per pupil max £2 per family. All monies raised are to support **SmartMove** who help the homeless in Calderdale.



	Diary dates to note
Mon 11 th Feb	• Ash Year 4 visit to the York Chocolate Factory
Mon 11 th - Fri 15 th	• <i>Class Penny Wars - PTFA Fundraiser</i>
Wed 13 th Feb	• Elder Year 2 visit to the Piece Hall
Thurs 14 th Feb	• Willow Year 1 Phonics workshop for parents 9 - 10:30am
Thurs 14 th Feb	• School Council host Valentine's Disco
Fri 15 th Feb	• Great Oaks Year 6 Parish Mass 9:30am
Fri 15 th Feb	• School finishes for half term
Mon 25 th Feb	School re-opens
Mon 25 th Feb	• Beech Year 5 visit to the Royal Armouries Leeds
Thurs 28 th Feb	• Reconciliation classes for Year 3 pupils & parents session 3 4:30pm in school
Fri 1 st March	• Beech Year 5 at Parish Mass 9:30am
Sat 9 th March	• Sacrament of Reconciliation for our Year 3 candidates 2pm St Bernard's Church Halifax
Sat 16 th March	• Saturday Morning Forest School

Mrs Sue McManamin and all the Staff.

Have a great weekend everybody

