

Dear Parents,

It was lovely to see so many of you come to the Drop off /Drop in this morning. Whilst I couldn't attend myself Mrs. Morris said what a lovely atmosphere it was. Do consider coming along next month.

We look forward to welcoming you all to Parent/Teacher consultations next Tuesday and Thursday. The On Line booking system has proved to be very successful.

Next Friday we will be celebrating the feast day of St. Bernadette (actual feast day is Saturday) so any children in that House can wear blue ribbons and they will of course have a House celebration

*S. Rainford.*

**STARS OF THE WEEK**

- ★ Cahan Burke Class 1
- ★ Oscar Daly Class 2
- ★ Lilia Economides Class 3

**KITCHEN CORNER**  
Monday 6th February  
Menu Week 1

**WORKERS OF THE WEEK**

- Class 1 Ysha De Villa & Subiksa Jeyakumar
- Class 2 Arush Pandav & Tom Zechmeister
- Class 3 Rithik Prabhu & Luca Tredgett

**P.E. STARS OF THE WEEK**

- Prizzi Scase Class 4
- Felicity Hart Class 5
- Millie Higgins Class 6
- Nadia Cilkska Class 7
- Matilda O'Halloran Class 8
- Mia Bailey Class 9

Parents, if any of you would like to volunteer to help in school for a short while or could do an hour or two please ask at the office for more details.

**SKIPPING CHALLENGE**

MORE HELP IS NEEDED for next weeks skipping challenge. If you can spare half an hour or any time in the mornings, between 9.00am. and 9.30am any day, please contact the school office as soon as possible. Thanks



**PARENT/TEACHER CONSULTATION**

**MEETINGS NEXT TUESDAY 7th and THURSDAY 9th.** Please check your time on Parentmail. This meeting is for parents only. No children are allowed.

**Feast of St. Bernadette Friday 10th February**

Children in St. Bernadette's House can come to school wearing a blue ribbon pinned onto their school jumper/cardigan.

**BASKETBALL STARS**

Ellie Dohoo - Class 8



**TEAM SPORTS STARS**

Caitlin Broadbridge - Class 8



**MULTI SKILLS STAR**

Joseph Capps-Coe - Class 9



**KARATE STARS**

Freddie Martin - Class 8  
Hollie Ward Bance - Class 8



*Well Done to St. Francis House for being this week's winner.*

House	This Weeks Points	Accumulative Points
St. Bernadette	45	173
St. Clare	49	228
<b>St. Francis</b>	<b>*** 53***</b>	185
St. Martin	48	203

**Attendance League Table Spring Term**

Remember the class with the greatest attendance will be rewarded at the end of term.

Class	%
5	98.50
9	97.50
2	97.34
1	97.17
3	96.83
8	96.75
6	96.40
7	95.75
4	94.57

**Late Arrivals**

There were 17 late arrivals this week. Please remember that the doors open at 8.45a.m. every morning.

**PA Christmas Fundraising**

A huge thank you for supporting our Christmas activities, we raised £4,836.78 and thanks to Barclays £1,598.94 pending donations the grand total will be a fantastic **£6,435.72.**

St. Helen's Infant & Junior School Christmas Activities – Total Profit	
Hamper Raffle	£ 598.94
Christmas Card Fundraiser	£1,505.73
Shopping Event	£1,135.93
Fun Day	£1,596.18
<b>Total Christmas Activities Profit</b>	<b>£4,836.78</b>
Barclays Matched Funding - pending receipt (Nina Bailey - Mariella Class 3B)	£1,000.00
Barclays Matched Funding - pending receipt (Amanda Bottono)	£ 598.94
<b>Total Christmas Activities Profit</b>	<b>£6,435.72</b>

## YEAR 2

**ENGLISH** - The children have been answering questions about information books and story books. They have remembered to start their answer with 'Because...' if the question asks 'Why...?'

**\*Following on from the recent comprehension work that the children have been completing in class, we feel it is important to remind parents that the children should be *reading* as well as answering the homework questions that are set each week in their yellow reading diary, as this is what they do when they are in class\***

**MATHS** - Year 2 have been using their knowledge of the 4 operations (+ - x and ÷) to solve problems.



### HOMWORK

The Times Table Challenge this Thursday will be on the **2x table**. For the 2 x table we learn from 0 x 2 up to 12 x 2. The following week will be the 10 times table. This week's Mathletics homework is set up and ready to go. Have fun!

## YEAR 1

**ENGLISH** - We have worked on making adjectives stronger by adding the suffix **er** and **est**.

e.g. strong, stronger, strongest

And finding opposites by adding the prefix **un**

e.g. happy, unhappy

**MATHS** - We have focussed on doubling numbers. When we double it is repeated addition.

e.g. double 2 = 2 + 2 = 4

We have also been highlighting odd and even numbers when we count by counting quietly 1, loud 2, quiet 3, loud 4, quiet 5, loud 6 etc.



**R.E.** - We have continued to think about special people and how we can be special too.

## FOUNDATION STAGE

**PHONICS:** We have been looking at the blends **ee** and **or**. Please practise writing and recognising these blends in a variety of places e.g. signs, books, names.

**READING:** Please practise spotting the bear words that they have in their word wallet in the books that they are reading. They can now create their own sentences and write these. Please encourage them to use finger spaces between each word.

**MATHS CHALLENGE:** Count how many drawers there are in your whole house.

Practise writing these numbers at home.

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### DIARY DATES - February '17 to March '17

Date	Day	Time	Event	Class/Year	Details
7 Feb	Tue	4p.m to 6.30p.m	<b>Parent/Teacher Consultation Evenings</b>	All Years	<b>NO CHILDREN</b>
9 Feb	Thurs	4p.m to 6.30p.m	<b>Parent/Teacher Consultation Evenings</b>	All Years	<b>NO CHILDREN</b>
10 Feb	Fri	During School Day	<b>St. Bernadette House Celebration</b>	St. Bernadette House	For children in St. Bernadette House. Children can wear 'Blue' ribbon.
<b>SPRING HALF TERM - Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Feb to Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Feb (inclusive)</b>					
20 Feb	Mon	Open at 8.45a.m.	<b>Children Return to School</b>	All Years	ALL YEARS
2 Mar	Thurs	3.30pm – 3.45pm	<b>Book Look</b>	All Years	Please make an appointment
3 Mar	Fri	9.00am	<b>'Drop Off, Drop In'</b>	All Years	All Parents/Grandparents welcome
6 Mar	Mon	During School Day	<b>School Photographer</b>	All Years	ALL YEARS
8 Mar	Wed	2.55p.m	<b>Class 4 Assembly</b>	<b>Class 4</b>	Parents of Class 4
15 Mar	Wed	2.55p.m	<b>Class 5 Assembly</b>	<b>Class 5</b>	Parents of Class 5
22 Mar	Wed	2.55p.m	<b>Class 6 Assembly</b>	<b>Class 6</b>	Parents Of Class 6
28 Mar	Tue	10.30a.m (prompt)	<b>Easter Assembly - Palm Sunday</b>	<b>Classes 1,2 &amp; 3</b>	Parents of Classes 1,2 & 3. Children DO NOT finish early.
29 Mar	Wed	10.30a.m (prompt)	<b>Easter Assembly - Maundy Thursday</b>	<b>Classes 4 &amp; 9</b>	Parents of Classes 4 & 9. Children DO NOT finish early.
30 Mar	Thurs	10.30a.m (prompt)	<b>Easter Assembly - Good Friday</b>	<b>Classes 5 &amp; 8</b>	Parents of Classes 5 & 8. Children DO NOT finish early.
31 Mar	Fri	9.30am (prompt) <b>Note Time Change</b>	<b>Easter Assembly - Easter Sunday</b>	<b>Classes 6 &amp; 7</b>	Parents of Classes 6 & 7. Children DO NOT finish early.
31 Mar	Fri	10.45a.m	<b>Easter Bonnet Parade &amp; Easter Raffle</b>	All Years	<b>Children will need an Easter Bonnet from home.</b> For Children ONLY.