

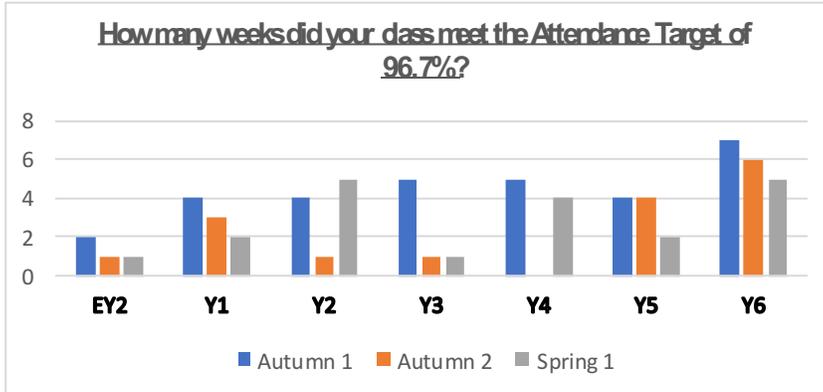


St John's Catholic Primary

School March 2017



Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. 1 Peter 5:6



As you can see some classes have achieved the attendance target more successfully than others. However, we appreciate the improvements seen this half term and thank you for your support.

Sport

SPORTS HALL ATHLETICS

A very enthusiastic group of Year 5 and 6 children met at Knights Templar Sports Hall to take part in the annual Sports Hall Athletics competition. In a noisy but hugely supportive atmosphere all the children competed at the very best of their ability. At the end of the evening both the boys and girls finished a creditable 4th place and everyone can be proud of their efforts. A huge thank you to all the parents who, as ever, came along and supported the team.

TAG RUGBY FESTIVAL

It is a long time since the school has taken such a large team to an event but 30 children assembled at Letchworth Rugby Club just before the half term break to compete. The children were in 3 teams and all gave 100% whenever they played despite the freezing temperature. Each team won a few games and lost a few but overall I think everyone enjoyed it. A big thank you to Mr. Wilson and Mr. Over who came along for the day and each took charge of one of the teams. Without their help we would not have been able to take so many children. Also thank you to those parents who braved the cold weather to support the children. Thank you.

NETBALL

The netball team had their first fixture for a while. This was a match that had been postponed the week before due to hurricane Doris but when we arrived at Hartsfield the heavens opened and we thought we might have to call it off again.

Fortunately the rain stopped and allowed the team to show some excellent passing, moving and catching skills but we will have to improve at shooting as this let us down. However, I am sure the whole team will be ready for the local primary school tournament in the very near future

FOOTBALL

We welcomed St. Mary's, Hartsfield and St. Thomas More to play in a round robin festival last week. It was lovely to see the brand, new football kit being worn for the first time and a huge thank you to the two parents who financed it. As always, our children displayed excellent sportsmanship and showed how they had improved over the year under the expert coaching of Mr. Baynham. Well done boys and of course a big thank you to all those who came along to support.



St John's Got Talent

Following previous success, we are repeating St John's Got Talent at the end of May. Children will need to audition to get place in the final show so start practicing. Performances should be no more than 3 minutes long and not contain lyrics, jokes or dance moves which are inappropriate for primary aged children. Auditions will be held at the beginning of May during lunchtimes. More information to follow after Easter.

Free ESOL classes for adults contact letchworth@adult-training.org.uk

Looking ahead

Keep an eye on our website for key dates but highlights include:

- Y3 Stations of the Cross 10th March
- Y5 Mass in Church 15th March
- KS1 Phonics Workshop 16th March
- Y4 Stations of the Cross 17th March
- Y3 Celtic Harmony Trip 22nd March
- Y6 Mass in Church 22nd March
- Forensic Workshop 23rd March
- Y6 Stations of the Cross 24th March
- Easter Egg Bingo 24th March
- Mass in Church 29th March
- End of Term 31st March
- First Day of Summer Term 18th April
- Parents Evening 19th April
- Parents Evening 20th April

Word of the Week

Kittenish, kindliness, kaleidoscope, loath, loathe, loquacious, meaningless, meandering, monochrome, narcissistic, nauseous.

World Book Day

Monday 27th February

Thank you for all the great costumes. This was a great start to our Take One Book Week. We had a super week making carrot cake doing, imagining how it would feel to be an immigrant in an unwelcome environment and maths about flying frogs.

We hope to do another Take One Book Week later in the year.

Cambridge Science Festival

This runs from 13th – 26th March and includes many free family friendly events to show children how exciting science and maths can be. For more details see

<http://www.sciencefestival.cam.ac.uk/>

PA Disco 24th February

Another great night was had by all. Well organised and run by the PA, this was a great chance for families to relax together after a busy week. For future reference heeled shoes are not allowed at the school indoor events as they damage the floor. Children are requested not to bring mobile phones to these events as the school e-safety policy covers all events on school grounds. Thank you. Looking forward to the Easter Egg Bingo on Friday 24th March.