



# St John's Catholic Primary School

## January 2018



**"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!" 2 Corinthians 5:17**

Happy New Year to you all. I hope all the New Year's Resolutions are still intact. Perhaps you could think about the making changes at home in light of our work at school on Feed the World 2050 and think about reducing your food waste or your energy consumption.

We welcome some new staff to St Johns this term: Mrs Huddlestone in EY2, Miss Meehan in Y3 and Mrs Tilli in EY2 until half term. We hope they enjoy their time with us.

The weather is still cold and often miserable so we appreciate the efforts made to ensure all children are appropriately dressed for an outdoor playtime. We will continue to monitor the weather until the snow season is over and keep you informed of any closures but as you saw last time, we will always endeavor to open when safety is not an overwhelming concern. Thank you for the positive comments we received in December for staying open.

Thank you for the improved use of the car park. Those parents who think they have special privileges and are willing to put their own children, and those of others, at risk for their own convenience appear to be reducing. Well done.

### RE Questionnaire

Thank you to all of those who have already returned their Parent Questionnaire. The overall picture so far is very positive but we welcome the comments and suggestions which can help us to improve the Catholic life of St John's. You still have time to return your questionnaire as the final date is 17<sup>th</sup> January

### Marvellous Me

Thank you to all those of you who have responded to the Marvellous Me letters. We hope this will soon be embedded in our school culture and aid communication. Please let us know if you have not received any information about this.

### Germ

This is the season of coughs and colds. There is a particularly nasty strain of flu in the UK which is spreading rapidly and we are keen to avoid any outbreaks here at St John's. We will ensure the children have access to handwashing facilities and all staff follow infection control guidelines. We would ask that you continue to reiterate the same hygiene standards at home so that good habits are formed. We want St Johns to stay healthy and ready to learn.

### Hair Bows



We seem to have an outbreak of another kind – excessively large hair bows, particularly in turquoise. Please save these for at home and wear discreet blue hair accessories.



### Feed the World 2050

This term we hope to look at other factors which will affect food production in 2050 such as the growth of the biofuel sector. Saving energy has a positive impact on food security.

### Looking Ahead

17 <sup>th</sup> January	Cakes For Classes Y1&2
22 <sup>nd</sup> January	Year 6 to KTS for The Wizard of Oz
24 <sup>th</sup> January	Wheel Chair Basketball
25 <sup>th</sup> January	Sports Hall Athletics KTS
2 <sup>nd</sup> February	Family Disco
6 <sup>th</sup> February	Speed Stacking Tournament at St John's
8 <sup>th</sup> February	Tag Rugby LRFC
12 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> February	Half Term
14 <sup>th</sup> February	Ash Wednesday ( Half Term)
21 <sup>st</sup> February	Mass in Church