

# St Robert's R.C. First School Newsletter



30th January 2020

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***We care, we serve, we learn together in the love and truth of Jesus***



## Upcoming Diary Dates

<b>Monday</b> 3/2	Liturgy Y3 Swimming Irish Dancing Club
<b>Tuesday</b> 4/2	PE Lunchtime Football Club
<b>Wednesday</b> 5/2	Operation Encompass Y3/4 and parent drop in after school Dance Club KS2
<b>Thursday</b> 6/2	Professor Brainstorm workshops Multi-sports club
<b>Friday</b> 7/2	Celebration Assembly Dance club KS1/REC

*Next week's Statement to live by : I will cooperate with others in work and play*



N John-Paul

R Violet

1 Logan

2 Sonia

3 Amelia

4 Jack C



N Noah

R Ismay

1 Aurora

2 Grace

3 Isabelle

4 Amelia



## CLASS DOJO AWARD



REC: Joseph/  
Ophelia

Y1: Ruby

Y2: Sonia

Y3: Sam A

Y4: Seth

**THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST CONFESSION:** The Year 4 children were fantastic during the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Father Peter praised the children for their maturity and reverence. Continue to keep them in your prayers as they continue the preparations for their First Holy Communion.

**HOMEWORK:** Please continue to encourage your child to access Timetable Rock Stars at home either on the computer or tablet. As parents, please make the time to listen to/read to your child every night—this alone will have a huge impact on their learning.

**INTERNET SAFETY: Tuesday February 11th 2020** is Safer Internet Day, a day that is very important to our school and pupils. This year's theme is "Together for a better internet." Childnet International, who form part of the UK Safer Internet Centre, have produced an online safety presentation to help schools, parents and carers to support children and young people online. We be using some of their resources in school during the day. For parent information please follow the link - [click here](#).

**OPERATION ENCOMPASS: (National strategy around Domestic Violence)** The rearranged visit will be **Wednesday 5th February** for Y3/4 (themes: emotions and empathy) and a parent drop in session after school in the library.

**STEM WEEKS:** STEM—Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths. The STEM activities will run **until Friday 7th February**. We would be delighted if any parents or grandparents would like to speak to classes about their occupation within these fields. Please contact either the school office or teachers directly through Class Dojo.

**SPHEROS:** We once again have the use of the Spheros in school for 2 weeks. The Sphero is a ball that can be controlled and programmed using an Ipad. The children will use this equipment across the whole curriculum and specifically during STEM weeks. [Click here for more information](#).

**Y3 TRIP GREAT NORTH MUSEUM:** Year 3 had a fantastic trip to the Great North Museum and Baltic. They specially enjoyed the Greek fighting forces workshop! A big thank you to the parents/carers who kindly supported on the trip.

**PROFESSOR BRAINSTORM:** The professor will be visiting school on **Thursday 6th February** to run 2 workshops in school (Nursery to Y1 and Y2 to Y4). Professor Brainstorm (Grandad to India and Rohan) has kindly offered a free workshop to school which is very generous.

**MASS Y1 and Y2:** Thank you to all the parents and family members who joined the classes in church for Mass this morning.



## Attendance challenge:

Rec - 100%

Year 1 - 98.6%

Year 2 - 100%

Year 3 - 100%

Year 4 - 98.6%

Whole school: 99.3%

National target: 96%



Last weeks  
attendance  
winners:

Year: Rec/Y2/Y3

## PARENT CONSULTATIONS:

Mon 9/3/20 Y3 and Y4

Tues 10/3/20 Reception and Y1

Wed 11/3/20 Nursery and Y2

Thurs 12/3/20 Whole school

Timeslots can be requested from the office closer to the dates. A small change this year is that the afternoon slots will be from 1-4pm and the Thursday evening slots will be from 4-6pm.

**YOUNG SCIENTISTS:** As part of our STEM curriculum Newcastle University worked with Year 3 and 4 today. The children thoroughly enjoyed being Young Scientists. They developed their knowledge of Chromatography! In case you didn't know

**Chromatography** is used to separate mixtures of substances into their components.



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