

Parent update Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October

Dear Parents and Carers,

We've had a really busy week, with our football match, a visit from the fire service and police (learning opportunities, not emergencies) and today we had a presentation / singing assembly on Black History by members of the Voices choir – it was fabulous. You can see pictures of this and other things that have happened this week on our Twitter feed: [https://twitter.com/St\\_JohnBosco\\_RC](https://twitter.com/St_JohnBosco_RC)

**PTA Meeting** - Thank you so much to the parents who came to our first PTA meeting. It was so lovely to see you.

We talked a lot about fundraising for school, as well as about creating opportunities for parents to meet each other, chat and make friends. Our next PTA meeting is at 3pm on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October. We will be planning our Christmas fair and the coffee mornings that are on Weds 12<sup>th</sup> (EYFS 9-10am) and Year 1 & 2 (10.15-11.15am) and Thurs 13<sup>th</sup> (Year 3 & 4) 9-10am and Year 5 & 6 (10.15-11.15am). If you are able to help serve drinks and cakes at any of our coffee mornings, please could you let Mrs Pearson know or the office.

We look forward to seeing you on Monday at 3pm!

**Football Match** – What a game!! On Thursday we won 6-4 against Bowker Vale. The team played brilliantly, showing great collaboration, perseverance and sportsmanship. Thank you to everyone

**Mental Health Awareness** - On Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October, children are invited to wear yellow to school to raise awareness (and funds) for mental health awareness charity Young Minds. There is no set amount, please donate what you are able to.



### Other events this week:

**School Photos: On Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October** – please wear your biggest smiles! If it is your PE day, make sure you wear a white collared T shirt for your photo and your PE shirt to change into.

**Coffee mornings:** We would like to invite parents and carers to a coffee morning in school as follows.

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October, we would be grateful for donations of cakes for our coffee mornings.

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October: 9-10am, parents of Reception and Nursery children.

10.15-11.15, parents of children in Year 1 & 2

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October: 9-10am, parents of children in Year 3 & 4

10.15-11.15am, parents of children in Year 5 & 6.

**Harvest Collection:** Our Caritas Ambassadors have organised the following initiative (in place of a harvest celebration) to support the Catholic Social Teaching theme of “Supporting the poor and vulnerable.” Children to bring the following items each week.

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October - Pasta

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October – Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Toiletries

These will be donated, half to the Lalley Centre and half to the local foodbank. The class which brings the most will have an own clothes day.

**Parents' Evening** – This year's first parents' evening will take place from **4-6.30pm** in the school hall on **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October**. Appointments can be made available via the School Spider. If you are not yet logged into the School Spider App, please phone the office for a code. Please note, children are not to be brought to the parents evening. Parents who are unable to attend, will receive a short written report on their child's progress.

**Celebration Assemblies:** The following children have received certificates in assembly today, Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October:

	Achievement	Francis Factor
Rec	Karo	Isaac
Y1	Olivia B	Adriel
Y2	Marco	Kylan
Y3	George	India-Rae
Y4	Denzel	Taegan-Rose
Y5	Esther	Nathaniel
Y6	Adora	Idara
Headteacher's award	Reggie - Reception	

**Manchester City Council Cost of Living Advice Line** - To support Manchester residents through the cost-of-living crisis, Manchester City Council will be providing an advice line that will offer:

1. Support with benefits and help with your rent (this is an existing offer made available through the contact centre)
2. Advice about debt and paying bills (this will be done in conjunction with Citizen Advice Manchester)
3. Food support (residents will receive a call back to understand their needs and connected into a local food offer)
4. Support getting online (residents will be linked in with the Council's digital inclusion team)

**By Phone:** The advice line can be accessed via a free phone number **0800 023 2692**. The line will be open 9:00-4:30 Monday to Friday. Agents on the phone line will have access to language line for those residents whose first language is not English. **Sign Video** will also be available for residents who may require this facility.

**On line:** An on line form will be available at <https://www.manchester.gov.uk/helpinghands> for those who do not wish to contact by phone. The advice line will also have its own web page that will have links to information of how residents are able to access support. <https://www.manchester.gov.uk/helpinghands>

As ever, please contact the school office ([contact@st-johnbosco.manchester.sch.uk](mailto:contact@st-johnbosco.manchester.sch.uk)) if you have any queries or need any support. See you in Yellow on Monday!

With love and prayers,

Mrs Johnson

# School Spider App



Google Play Store



Apple App Store

The School Spider App is the main way school sends messages out to parents. Please download it using the QR codes above and contact Miss Ruane in the school office if you have any trouble logging in.

You can also check the latest updates via our website:

[www.st-johnbosco.manchester.sch.uk](http://www.st-johnbosco.manchester.sch.uk)



Please see below for the links to join our afterschool activities.

Monday - Y5 & 6 Football skills with Mr Callacher (20 places)

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfHA3wMefW2ILKNctnztT8dKCB4qiewy0MJuhKF6wikNK3zbQ/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfHA3wMefW2ILKNctnztT8dKCB4qiewy0MJuhKF6wikNK3zbQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)

Monday Y3 & 4 Art Club with Mrs Webster & Ms Kane (20 places)

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Tuesday Y3, 4 5 & 6 Choir with Mrs Pearson & Mrs Sale (30 places)

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSec5LScLYbGJHSIIX5N\\_pfcdbHCmd\\_VfbarzIYvFvZ1BZ2QkQ/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSec5LScLYbGJHSIIX5N_pfcdbHCmd_VfbarzIYvFvZ1BZ2QkQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)

Tuesday Y5 & 6 Computing with Miss Syeda (20 places)

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Wednesday Y3 & 4 Football Skills with Mr Callacher (20 places)

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Thursday Y5 & 6 Book club with Mrs Johnson (15 places)

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Thursday Y3 & 4 Science club with Mr McNulty (20 places)

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Friday Y5 & 6 Netball with Miss Collins (20 places)

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We will begin to provide clubs for Y1&2 after half term.