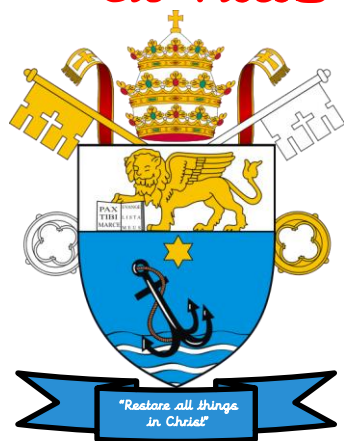


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Key Dates	Clubs	VIPs
<p>9 Feb – Finish for half term</p> <p>19 Feb – Back @ school</p> <p>19 Feb – Tapestry permission deadline</p> <p>19 Feb – Family Learning – Phonics</p> <p>22 Feb – Keysteps gymnastics</p> <p>22 Feb – Yr 3 Assembly</p> <p>23 Feb – Yr 6 Mass at St Mary's Church</p> <p>26 Feb – Family Learning – Phonics</p> <p>26 Feb – Limitless Dance Begins</p> <p>26 Feb – Parents' Evening</p> <p>28 Feb – Parents' Evening</p> <p>1 Mar – World Book Day any character</p> <p>1 Mar – Yr 2 Assembly</p> <p>2 Mar – Yr 5 & 2 Mass</p> <p>3 Mar – Bonus Ball Draw</p> <p>5 Mar – KS2 Furness Voices</p> <p>5 Mar – Family Learning - Phonics</p> <p>6 Mar – Netball @ Hoops</p> <p>7 Mar – Friends of St Pius Meeting 3.30pm</p> <p>8 Mar – Yr 1 Assembly</p> <p>9 Mar – Yr 5 Mass @ St Mary's Church</p> <p>12 Mar – Family Learning - Phonics</p> <p>13 Mar – Netball @ Hoops</p> <p>15 Mar – Reception Assembly</p> <p>15 Mar – SEN Coffee afternoon</p> <p>16 Mar – Yr 3 & 4 Mass</p> <p>16 Mar – Non uniform – raffle donations</p> <p>20 Mar – Netball @ Hoops</p> <p>22 Mar – Easter Fayre</p> <p>23 Mar – Whole School Mass</p> <p>23 Mar – Closing Date for Nursery applications (September)</p> <p>26 Mar – U Dance @ Forum</p> <p>27 Mar – Netball @ Hoops</p> <p>28 Mar – Final payment date for London</p> <p>29 Mar – Finish 1.30 pm; Easter Holidays</p> <p>7 Apr – Bonus Ball Draw</p> <p>16 Apr – Back @ school</p>	<p>Mon -Limitless Dance</p> <p>Tues -Gymnastics (Key Steps 2 & 3)</p> <p>-Lego (Y3&4) 12-12.30</p> <p>Wed -Football (Y3-6)</p> <p>-Band (Y4-6)</p> <p>-Drama (Y3&4) 12.30-1</p> <p>Thurs -Netball (Y4-6)</p> <p>-Choir (Y3-6) 12.30-1</p> <p>-Origami (Y3&4) 12.15-12.45</p> <p>Fri -Instrument (Y4) 12-12.30</p> <p>-Instrument (Y6) 12.30-1</p>	<p>Reception – Rimas</p> <p>Year 1 – Jaxon</p> <p>Year 2 – Lacey Mae</p> <p>Year 3 – Scarlett</p> <p>Year 4 – Farron</p> <p>Year 5 – Kayla</p> <p>Year 6 – Shani</p> <p>Family members are welcome to join us for our Celebration Assembly on Friday at 2.45pm</p> <p>Mr McGoldrick's Marvellous Merit</p> <p>Dawid (Year 5)</p> <p>House Champions</p> <p>This week's house champions are St George</p> <p>St P=1, St A=1, St G=2, St D=1</p> <p>Bonus Ball Winner</p> <p>David Gallagher</p>

Red = added or altered since previous newsletter

Strike out = cancelled

We hope you have a wonderful and restful half term holiday.

Stay & Learn Session

Thank you for attending our first Stay and Learn session at St Pius X. It was lovely to have so many parents and family members in school – there was a real buzz about the place. Our next Stay and Learn session will take place in the Summer Term on **Thursday 28th June**.

School App

Reminder: if you require any assistance downloading Our School App please see Mrs Steele in the School Office.

Lunchshop

From Monday 26th February you will notice a slight change to the Lunchshop app & website. The menu choice will be visible and will no longer state 'Main Meal' and 'Dessert'. Also, there will be two additional options on the menu. If your child doesn't like the main meal or you would prefer them not to have it you can select a jacket potato option, with a variety of fillings. Similarly, you have two options for dessert; the pudding identified on the menu or fruit.

100 Mile Challenge

A letter was sent home this week regarding the 100 Mile Challenge. Children and staff have all completed their first mile together this afternoon. Please make every effort to complete as many miles as possible during half term. The challenge will run until the end of the school year. There will be a special prize for the most miles in the following categories: infants, juniors and staff. Let the challenge commence... may the best man or woman win!

Tapestry

Letters and permission slips have been sent home this week to Nursery and Reception parents. Please can permission slips be returned by **Monday 19th February**.

Rotary Event

On **Tuesday 27th March** the Rotary club will be holding an event at St Pius X Catholic Primary School. Members of the local community (parents included) will be invited in for light bites, cake and tea. Each class will perform for the audience. Please pop the date in your diary. This is a great opportunity to bring the community together.

Family Learning – Focus on Phonics

We have a Focus on Phonics programme being offered to school starting on **Monday 19th February at 2.15pm-4.15pm** for 5 weeks. The first hour will be for adults only and children will join you for the second hour. Please sign up at the School Office. You will be given a raffle ticket for each session you attend. The lucky winner could receive a £25 Debenhams voucher.

This course develops key skills and knowledge to support children's reading. Adults and children work together on fun and interactive activities, building reading confidence and exploring ways to encourage a love of books.

Parents' Evening

Parents' evenings will take place on **Monday 26th February** and **Wednesday 28th February**. Appointment slots are available from the School Office. Please remember you will only be allowed to make appointments for your own child/ren. Nursery Parents' Evening will take place on **Monday 26th February** only.

Logo & Uniform

This week, after consultation with pupils, parents, staff and governors the new School Logo was launched at the end of our Stay & Learn session. This will be available on school jumpers from **September 2018**. However, it will not be made compulsory until **September 2019**. The new logo will also be used on our letterhead and signage.

In addition, we would also like your views on changing the colour of our polo shirts. We are aware of at least four other schools in the local area with the same uniform colours as ours. There is poll on our school Facebook page. The original poll was for blue or white. However, following feedback from parents, we have extended the poll to include red. Therefore, the poll has been reset – please remember to vote. You have seven days!

Department for Education Launch of RSE/PSHE Call for Evidence

The DfE has launched a call for evidence to gather views of interested organisations on how relationships education, including relationships and sex education (RSE) for older children, should be taught in schools. In the Diocese of Lancaster, this is done through the Human Relationships and Sex Education programme (HRSE).

The call for evidence is open until 12 February 2018. This call for evidence is separate to the public consultation which is to be launched at a later date.

Please be assured that the Diocese has been engaged with the CES on an RSE curriculum for a considerable time.

The call for evidence and process of broader engagement aims to gather views on the content and teaching of these subjects. It will look to establish:

- what teachers think they should be teaching their pupils to help them navigate the modern world they are growing up in;
- how parents expect their children to be educated about this topic in a safe and age-appropriate way; and
- what young people themselves think they would benefit from learning in these subjects.

The link to the call for evidence is at <https://consult.education.gov.uk/life-skills/pshe-rse-call-for-evidence>


The teachings of the Catholic Church respect the rights of parents as the first educators of their children in this as in all other matters. We request that you inform parents that this call for evidence is taking place and that you circulate the link to staff and governors so that the call for evidence receives the complete range of views of those who chose our schools.

Regards, Nancy Walbank (Senior Adviser)

Letters sent home this week:

- Wednesday Word
- Sketch Book (Y3-6)
- 100 Mile Challenge
- Tapestry (Nursery & Reception)

School menu for week beginning 19th February 2018...

<div>  <div>ST PIUS X PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEK 3</div> <div>Freshly made every day!</div> </div>		
DAY	CHOICE 1	PUDDING
Monday	Sausage Roll served with Mini Waffles and Beans	Ice Cream Roll and Peaches or Fruit Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
Tuesday	Cheese and Tomato Pizza served with Sweetcorn	Fruit Jelly and Fruit Cocktail or Fruit Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
Wednesday	Meatballs in Gravy served with Pasta Spirals, Peas and Sweetcorn	Kitchen made Sticky Toffee Pudding and Ice Cream or Fruit Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
Thursday	Garmon Steak and Pineapple served with Oven Chips and Salad Platter	Chocolate Cookie with a Milk Drink or Fruit Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
Friday	Wholemeal Salmon Nibbles served with Mashed Potato, Sliced Carrots and Peas	Frozen Strawberry Smoothie or Fruit Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit
<div>Available Daily: Fresh Fruit and Bread!</div> <div>If you have any questions about food allergens please speak to the kitchen team who will be happy to help.</div> <div>orion</div>		