Headteacher's Weekly Briefing: 9/10/2023

Pope Francis tells us: "Listen to the Word of Jesus."

Good Morning everyone

Our Gospel theme this week is about the word "Listen." God told the disciples to listen to Jesus. We are also disciples of Jesus, God asks us to listen to Jesus, too. We know that Jesus is speaking to us when what we hear helps us to be more like Him: sharing what we have, being kind to everyone, forgiving, helping, including people, being fair.

In our Gospel today (St Matthew), we hear another Parable, Jesus talks to us about a man who has real trouble with the people who are looking after his vineyard.

This week our school value is **Self-Control** ~ Stop and think before you do something, is this the best choice for me?

How will you make time to listen to God this week?

Perhaps we can:

- Listen to how God speaks to us in our hearts.
- Make some time for doing what God asks of us, treating all people with kindness, generosity, love and respect.
- ♣ Try hard to show "Self-Control" this week

Congratulations to St Bernadette's class (Mrs Webster) class for getting the best attendance last week. Keep up the great work! Enjoy having John Bear this week!

<u>October Holiday Club:</u> If you would like a place on the October Holiday Club, we are now using the Magic Booking for all bookings. You will need to set up your own account to book places, if you do not already have one.

Please follow the link below to do this: https://stjohnsesc.magicbooking.co.uk/

Please note: The club will only run if numbers are sufficient – the club is from 8.30am - 3.30pm and the cost for the club will be £25.00 per day, with £20.00 per day for any siblings. We will also be offering a further discount, if you need to use the club for the whole week we will discount one day per child. We will confirm if the club is running by the end of this week.

Upcoming Diary Dates:

Parents' Evenings for F2, Year 1 and Year 2, will be taking place tomorrow Tuesday 10th October and Wednesday 11th October from 3.30-5.50pm. Please do your best to attend to find out how your child has settled in and ways to support them throughout this year and ensure they achieve the best they can. Appointments will be for 10 minutes. If you haven't signed up yet, please see your class teacher.

Wednesday 11th October – Mission Day for our school mission: "Loving, Learning and Laughter together with God". On this day, we will be taking time to celebrate our school mission phrase "Learning, Loving & Laughter together with God".

Thursday 12th October: F2 Curriculum Meetings for Parents and Stay & Play sessions – Two sessions will be available (9am -10am OR 2.00pm – 3.00pm) Please do your best to attend, as you will be provided with lots of information about your child's curriculum, and have an opportunity to spend some time with your child in their classroom to see what they have been doing in their first few weeks – sign-up sheets are outside the classrooms

Tuesday 17th October - Year 2 Mass at St John's Church with Fr Mario (9am) to celebrate St Luke's Feast Day which is the following day. Please drop your children off at church for 9am. Hopefully you will be able to stay for the Mass and

celebrate our special St Luke's Feast Day Mass with the children. We look forward to seeing you. If any of you can help walk the children back to school after Mass, we would be very grateful.

Friday	, 20 th October	- Finish for Half	Term Holiday	. The children	return to school	on Monday	/ 30 th October
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Have a great week!

Mrs Bulmer