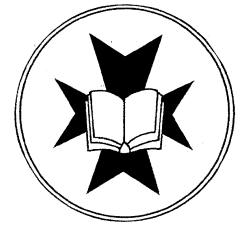


St John's Primary School and Nursery - Friday 19th May 2017-

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Week 4: w/c 15.5.17

What a super two weeks it has been since the last newsletter! School has been busy, industrious and a hive of activity, with children and staff working incredibly hard.

Year 6 conducted themselves impeccably during the SATs; they were a real credit to everyone. Thank you for your support with these, which is much appreciated.

Year 2 are in the process of undertaking their teacher assessments and will complete these next week. Please ensure good attendance to enable us to complete them.

I am so proud of our school and it is a real pleasure to be here. Thank you everyone for enabling our lovely school to go from strength to strength.

Have a good week and very best wishes,

Mr D Barrow
Head Teacher

Grounds Days

Thank you so much for your support with our two recent grounds days. I loved working on the Year 2 outside area with our volunteers a fortnight ago. I am sure you will agree that it looks amazing, and it was a real pleasure to work with parents and children alike.

Office and Mrs Thomas

Sadly, Mrs Thomas in the school office has tendered her resignation to leave at the end of June. She has been an institution here for many years, but is leaving to focus on her family. It goes without saying that her commitment to the school and her loyalty to me are much appreciated. We all wish her well for the future and know that she will stay in touch. ***If you would like to contribute to her leaving gift, please send your donation to Mrs Morris or Mrs Weir in a clearly-marked envelope.***

I will let you know in due course how the office will be restructured to meet the ever-changing demands of 21st century schools. In the interim period, Mrs Lindsey Jones will be working in the office in the mornings, focussing on dinner administration.

Workloads in the office will now be increasingly higher. Please try to limit any queries or requests you may have to office hours, i.e. 8.30am to 4.00pm. Do remember that slips, payments or messages can be sent via your child's class teacher, who will, in turn, pass them to the office for processing.



PTA News

The easyfundraising link is at the top of every newsletter. Please make sure you check out this very easy way of raising much-needed funds for our school.

Thank you so much to our lovely PTA, who have run two super events this half term: the Grandparents' Tea and the Odd Sock Shop. Both events were very well received.

The PTA consulted with you recently about how to spend the first batch of funds raised. We are in the process of getting quotes for playground markings to make playtimes more enjoyable for our children. I will let you know when we are ready to go ahead.

New Starters

We will be saying hello to Rebecca Wallis-Baldwin, who will start work after the half-term break as our new Family Support Worker. Rebecca will be on the playground on Wednesday 7th June to say hello.

We have also appointed Emily Cooke to teach in Year 5 alongside Mr Sharp next year. Emily is coming to us from a school in Birmingham; she will be a lovely addition to our team.

I will let you know who is where staffing-wise closer to the induction day after the half-term break.

Parent Forum

We are looking forward to welcoming parents to our next Parent Forum on **Wednesday 24th May at 6.00pm.**

Agenda:

1. Parent input into the new, revised curriculum
2. Homework feedback
3. Fundraising events and dress-up days
4. AOB (please submit prior to the meeting)

Co-operation with Nits

Thank you so much for your co-operation with bringing the nit situation under control and ensuring your children have their hair tied back. It is much appreciated and is helping to slow down the spread of these creatures. Please continue to be vigilant and to check your children's hair regularly for signs of nits.

Uniform

Boundaries are starting to be pushed with school uniform. All staff are aware of what is and isn't acceptable.

Not acceptable:

- Trampolines/designs in hair
- Trainers unless they are plain black all over (including the sole, laces and logo).
- Jewellery of any description (with the exception of plain stud earrings).
- Nail varnish and make up of any description.

Thank you in advance for your support in this.

Nursery Places

Do you know anybody that has a child turning three? If so, please point them in the direction of our fantastic Nursery, where we can offer fully flexible provision. You may have read that funding for Nurseries is decreasing year on year, so please support your local Nursery by spreading the good word and encouraging parents to come and see for themselves.

Out of School Club Parking

Thank you so much to the parents and carers who do read the newsletter and take on board what has been said! Back in October, I wrote to users of the Out of School Club asking for their co-operation in **not parking in the staff car park for drop off after 8.00am.** Several parents have taken this on board. Please can I ask again that **everyone co-operates with this?** It must be really frustrating for parents who do comply to see others who don't.

Diary Dates

Mon 22nd May 2017	pm: Year 3 Quad Kids tournament - POSTPONED
Tue 23rd May 2017	3T – first swimming session
Wed 24th May 2017	pm: Year 6 rounders tournament (Kenilworth School) 6.00pm: Parent Forum
Thu 25th May 2017	12.00pm: 1C parent sharing lunch 2.30pm: Year 1 fabulous finish (parents invited)
Fri 26th May 2017	9.00am: 4T class assembly 3.15pm: Break up
Mon 5th June 2017	Back to school
Wed 7th Jun 2017	3.15pm: PTA meeting (staff room)
Thu 8th June 2017	12.00pm: 1S parent sharing lunch
Fri 9th June 2017	9.00am: 4M class assembly
Tue 13th June 2017	pm: Tennis and athletics competition (selected children – Champion School)
Fri 23rd June 2017	INSET day – school closed
Tue 27th June 2017	6.00pm: New Reception parents' induction meeting
Wed 28th June 2017	Common Induction Day (Year 6 children at new schools for the day)
Thu 29th June 2017	12.00: Reception parent sharing lunch Eve: Year 7 parents' induction meeting (Kenilworth School)
Fri 30th June 2017	9.00am: 5S class assembly
Tue 4th July 2017	Year 5/6 trip to London
Wed 5th July 2017	3.30pm: Reception Sep 2017 stay and play session #1
Thu 6th July 2017	Year 5/6 trip to London
Tue 11th July 2017	1.30pm & 6.30pm: Year 6 end-of-year performance
Wed 12th July 2017	3.30pm: Reception Sep 2017 stay and play session #2
Fri 14th July 2017	am: Early Years (NK/RK) sports morning Reports home to parents/carers
Tue 18th July 2017	am: Sports Morning (Years 1 to 6)
Wed 19th July 2017	St John's induction day (classes move up a year for the day) 3.30pm-3.45pm: Say hello to your child's new teacher
Fri 21st July 2017	9.00am: Leavers' assembly 3.15pm: Break up for summer holiday

St John's Out of School Club – Summer Play Scheme

Monday 24th – Friday 28th July 2017

Activities to include (subject to availability):

Art * Craft activities * Food tasting
Paddling pool * Water slide * Bouncy castle
Cooking * Movie afternoon
And lots of outside play!



Opening times: 8.00am – 6.00pm
Lunch: 12.00pm – 1.00pm



Packed lunches required for all day sessions
Mid-morning and mid-afternoon snacks provided
Half day or full day sessions available
£125.00 per week * £25.00 per day
£13.00 per half day

To book places, contact club staff or call
01926 854450 (between 8.00am and 9.00am / 3.00pm and 6.00pm)

Places reserved ONLY when payment received. Thank you.