

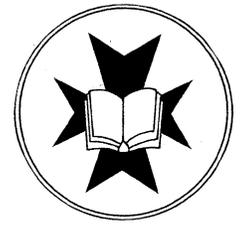
St John's Primary School and Nursery

- Friday 22nd September 2017-

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Week 3: w/c 18.9.17

By the time this newsletter arrives, we will be halfway through this term. It has been a lovely start to the academic year; learning themes have all started with a flourish, we have had a lovely Maths problem-solving day, and Whizzy Wednesdays have been very well received. Thank you for your positive comments too; they are always appreciated and passed on to the relevant staff.

I would also like to take a moment to thank you for contributing to the Children's Centre Consultation and the survey organised by Mr Martin, our Chair of Governors. Caroline has been actively promoting it on the Children's Centre Facebook page. I really do believe that we have to try to have our voices heard. It is ironic that the very Family Hub model the Local Authority want to pursue is very similar to the model we have in Kenilworth anyway. The school and Children's Centre have always worked closely together for all the families in our care, regardless of age. I am sure we will all wait impatiently for the outcome.

Have a very good weekend.

Mr D Barrow

Head Teacher

The Governing Body

The Governing Body have held their first meeting of this academic year. The St John's Governing Body now comprises:

- Mr Trevor Martin – Chair
- Mrs Trisha Coopey – Vice-Chair and Chair of Performance and Standards
- Mr Daryl Molyneux – Chair of Resources
- Mrs Beth Cordrey
- Ms Ruth Cooper
- Mrs Rebecca Augustus
- Mr Richard Owen
- Miss Katie Harrison
- Mrs Cathy Weir – Clerk to Governors
- Mrs Mary Baker – Deputy Head
- Rev Andrew Attwood – Associate Governor
- Mrs Anne Brough – Associate Governor

Safeguarding

Our number one priority is to keep your child safe in school and, indeed, equip them with the skills to keep themselves safe outside of school and online. This year, there will be a safeguarding slot on every newsletter. This will either give you updates on what we are doing as a school or useful websites or things you can do at home.

September has been a busy month because all staff have received a safeguarding update from me. It is a statutory requirement that anyone who works in school should receive at least an annual update.

There are only a tiny handful of children who have not signed their Acceptable Use Policies (AUPs). These will be followed up by the end of the month!

We have the following designated Safeguarding Leads:

- Mr Barrow
- Mrs Baker
- Mrs Eastham
- Mrs Condillac in the Children's Centre
- Mr Lee will also be trained during October

The following Governors are assigned to safeguarding in school:

- Mr Trevor Martin
- Mrs Rebecca Augustus
- Mr Richard Owen

Head Boy and Head Girl / House Captains

Year 6 are busy organising their roles and responsibilities! New for this year are Head Boy and Head Girl. Congratulations to **Marijn** and **Lily** in Year 6. We have much planned for your new role!

House Captains have also been elected:

Red: Zachary Sara	Blue: Hannah Niamh
Green: Jessica Gianluca	Yellow: Bradley Niamh

Junior Leadership and E-Safety Ambassadors will be published on the next newsletter.

Diary Dates

Mon 25 th Sep	Year 3 trip to Ryton Pools pm: Indoor rowing event (selected Year 6 children)
Tue 26 th Sep	9.00am: PTA Coffee Morning for new Reception parents
Thu 28 th Sep	am: Year 6 completing online health questionnaires 12.30pm: 6L parent sharing lunch
Fri 6 th Oct	1.30pm: Harvest Festival (Reception – Year 6 at St John’s Church)
Mon 9 th – Thu 12 th Oct	3.15-3.45pm: Scholastic Book Fair (Library)
Thu 12 th Oct	12.30pm: 5C parent sharing lunch
Mon 16 th Oct	School photographs (Braiswick – individual and siblings) 3.30pm-5.30pm Parents’ evening
Wed 18 th Oct	9.00am: 5C – class assembly 4.30pm-6.30pm Parents’ evening
Thu 19 th Oct	Year 5 trip to Cadbury World
Fri 20th Oct	3.15pm Break up for October half-term break
Mon 30 th Oct	Back to school
Tue 31 st Oct	2.00pm: PTA Halloween Grandparents’ Tea (Hall)
Wed 1 st Nov	9.00am: Tapestry online learning journal coffee morning – Nursery & Reception parents
Thu 2 nd Nov	12.30pm: 6E parent sharing lunch
Wed 8 th Nov	9.00am: 5S – class assembly
Tue 14 th Nov	4T final swimming lesson
Fri 17 th Nov	Wear spots, stripes or floral prints for Children in Need!
Tue 21 st Nov	3T swimming lessons start
Thu 23 rd Nov	Nasal flu vaccinations (Reception – Year 4)
Thu 30 th Nov	12.30pm: 5S parent sharing lunch
Mon 18 th Dec	9.30am: Nursery & Reception Christmas performance
Tue 19 th Dec	9.30am/2.30pm: KS1 Christmas performance
Wed 20 th Dec	2.30pm/6.30pm: KS2 Christmas performance
Thu 21 st Dec	PTA Christmas Disco
Fri 22nd Dec	3.15pm: Break up for Christmas holiday
Fri 5th Jan	Bank Holiday – SCHOOL CLOSED
Mon 8th Jan	INSET day – SCHOOL CLOSED
Tue 9th Jan	Back to school

End-of-day Collection Arrangements

As we start a new academic year, we would appreciate it if you could once again let us know what your child’s end-of-day collection arrangements are by sending in the reply slip which was attached to the last newsletter (dated 8th September).

Vacancy: Deputy Play Leader, Out of School Club

Our popular and thriving Out of School Club has a vacancy for a Deputy Play Leader. Hours of work will be Monday to Friday, 3.00pm until 6.00pm, with flexibility to cover mornings when necessary. The job is term-time only, with an additional week in the summer holiday. (Again, this may be flexible as we are considering future options for the club.) Rate of pay is £9.00 per hour. If you are interested, please speak to Mrs Morris or Mrs Weir in the school office.

Class Assemblies

Please note that class assemblies will now take place on **Wednesdays at 9.00am**. Each class’s parents and carers are welcome to attend. Dates are as follows:

Date	Class
Wed 18 th Oct	5C
Wed 8 th Nov	5S
Wed 31 st Jan	4T
Wed 7 th Mar	3T
Wed 21 st Mar	3B
Wed 25 th Apr	2S
Wed 23 rd May	1C
Wed 6 th Jun	2T
Wed 20 th Jun	RFB
Fri 20 th Jul	Year 6 leavers’ assembly

Dinner Money

School lunches for children in Years 3 to 6 are £2.20 per day. Please ensure that you pay in advance, ideally half-terminly via ParentPay. Please also ensure that any outstanding balances from last year are settled by the end of the next week. Thank you.

PE Kit

Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school **at all times**. We will ensure that PE kits are sent home for washing over the half-term holidays.

School Photographs

This year, we are going back to using Braiswick for our school photographs. On Monday 16th October, they will be taking individual and sibling photographs. We will then have class photos taken in late spring or early summer.

As with previous years, sibling photos and family groups will be taken before the start of the school day from 8.00am. Once the school day starts, each child in school will then have an individual photo taken. By having the photography session in October, you'll be able to order photographs in time for Christmas.

If you wish to have a family group or any sibling photographs taken, please come along to the school hall before school from 8.00am. This applies to siblings who are already in school as well as families who wish to include a non-St-John's sibling in a photograph. **To clarify, all sibling photographs will be taken before the start of the school day. No sibling photographs will be taken during the school day.** On the morning, please go straight to the side hall door to wait for your photograph to be taken. Please be assured that if the photographers are running late and your child is late to registration, this will not be a problem and your child will not be marked as late.

It would be helpful if you could let the office know if you plan to have a sibling photograph taken please so that we can provide the photographers with a list of who to expect.

PTA News



Grandparents' Halloween Tea

Tuesday 31st October 2017

2.00pm

School Hall

Cost: £3.00

*(including tea, coffee, cake
and a little time with your grandchildren)*

*Tickets on sale from the School Office from 10th October
– first come, first served (limited to 60)*

Easyfundraising

When you buy anything online – from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be collecting free donations for St John's PTA. **Simply follow the link at the top of the newsletter and join for free.** There are no catches or hidden charges and we would be really grateful for your donations. Thank you for your support.

St John's PTA



Pencil Bollards

You may have spotted our new pencil bollards and signage at the front of the school. These have very kindly been provided and funded by the Local Authority and will, we hope, help to ensure the safety of our children.



Term Dates 2017/2018

AUTUMN TERM

Half-Term

School closes at 3.15 pm - Fri 20 October 2017
School opens at 8.45 am - Mon 30 October 2017

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

School closes at 3.15 pm - Fri 22 December 2017

SPRING TERM

BANK HOLIDAY CLOSURE - Fri 5 January 2018

INSET DAY CLOSURE - Mon 8 January 2018

School opens at 8.45 am - Tue 9 January 2018

Half-Term

School closes at 3.15 pm - Fri 16 February 2018

School opens at 8.45 am - Mon 26 February 2018

EASTER HOLIDAY

School closes at 3.15 pm - Thu 29 March 2018

BANK HOLIDAY GOOD FRIDAY - Fri 30 March 2018

BANK HOLIDAY EASTER MONDAY - Mon 2 April 2018

SUMMER TERM

School opens at 8.45 am - Mon 16 April 2018

BANK HOLIDAY CLOSURE - Mon 7 May 2018

Half-Term

School closes at 3.15 pm - Fri 25 May 2018

School opens at 8.45 am - Mon 4 June 2018

INSET DAY CLOSURE - Fri 22 June 2018

SUMMER HOLIDAY

School closes at 3.15 pm - Fri 20 July 2018