

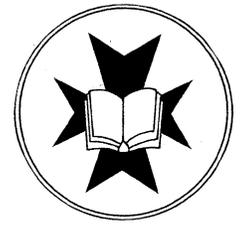
# St John's Primary School and Nursery

- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2017-

Aiming high; proud to learn together.

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<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stjohnsprimarykenilworth/>



## Week 2: w/c 6.11.17

I hope you all had a good half term and enjoyed celebrating Bonfire Night last weekend. In assembly this week, we have been debating if Guy Fawkes really was a good person. Ask your children about it. I have been really impressed with their responses. Some children were not very forgiving!

Learning webs have come home this week. The teachers put a lot of effort into these, so please make sure you do refer to them and support where you can.

Thank you for your support today with the chocolate tombola and in advance for Children in Need on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November. I am always very impressed by your generosity.

Have a lovely weekend,

**Mr D Barrow**  
Head Teacher

## Another New Arrival!

I am very pleased to let you know that Mrs Baker is expecting her second child (due around April next year). It is always very exciting to welcome another new arrival to the St John's team of babies. I know you will join me in wishing Dr and Mrs Baker all the very best for their future growing family. I will keep you informed as to when we recruit to take on Mrs Baker's teaching commitment in Reception.

## Safeguarding

The online safety committee have continued to meet. Please check the blog on our website for updates with this.

All remaining staff and volunteers have now received their annual safeguarding training. I have also received updates from the Local Authority about their strategy for mental health, and I am on the steering group evaluating the impact of Early Help in schools.

## Office Postbox

If the office staff are busy or unavailable, don't forget that we have a postbox in the foyer for any slips, forms or correspondence. If you're posting cash or cheques, please ensure that you pop it in an envelope. Thank you.

## Diary Dates

Tue 14 <sup>th</sup> Nov	4T final swimming lesson
Thu 16 <sup>th</sup> Nov	am: Year 5 trip to Gurdwara Sahib, Leamington
<b>Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	<b>Wear spots, stripes or flowers for Children in Need!</b>
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Year 3 Victorian school day
Tue 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov	4T additional swimming lesson (3T swimming lessons moved back to next week)
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	pm: Year 5/6 indoor athletics (selected children – Kenilworth School)
Thu 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	Nasal flu vaccinations (Reception – Year 4)
Tue 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	3T swimming lessons start Year 1 trip to West Midlands Safari Park am: Reception trip to Baddesley Clinton nature trail
Thu 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	am: Year 6 trip to Zeenat-ul-Islam Mosque, Coventry 12.30pm: 5S parent sharing lunch
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	pm: Year 3/4 multiskills (selected children – Kenilworth School)
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	PTA non-uniform day (in return for bottle tombola donations) 3.30pm: PTA Winter Fair (Hall)
Thu 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	pm: Year 6 Crossteach Christmas Experience (St John's Church)
<b>Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	<b>9.30am: Nursery Christmas performance</b> <b>2.00pm: Reception &amp; KS1 Christmas performance</b>
<b>Tue 19<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	<b>2.00pm / 6.00pm: Reception &amp; KS1 Christmas performance</b>
<b>Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Dec</b>	<b>2.00pm/6.00pm: KS2 Christmas performance</b>
<b>Thu 21<sup>st</sup> Dec</b>	<b>9.15am: KS2 Christmas performance</b> 12.00pm: Whole-school Christmas lunch After school: PTA Christmas Disco
<b>Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec</b>	<b>3.15pm: Break up for Christmas holiday</b>
<b>Fri 5<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	<b>Bank Holiday – SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
<b>Mon 8<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	<b>INSET day – SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
<b>Tue 9<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	<b>Back to school</b>

## Christmas Performances

Please note the new performance dates and times for Reception, KS1 and KS2. A separate letter about this will be coming home today.

### Christmas Cards

Christmas card proofs (with accompanying letter and order form) are coming home with the children today. Please ensure that orders are placed no later than Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November.

### 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

Thank you 5S and Mr Sharp for your super assembly about chocolate. The props were amazing and the children showcased their learning brilliantly.

4T	Wed 31 <sup>st</sup> Jan
3T	Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> Mar
3B	Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> Mar
2S	Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> Apr
1C	Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> May
2T	Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> Jun
RFB	Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> Jun
6E/6L	Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> July (leavers' assembly)

### Homework

Homework is sent home on a Thursday and is due in the following Tuesday. In KS2, there is a supportive homework club on a Monday lunchtime, where teachers are available if a child needs a bit of help or perhaps access to a computer. If homework isn't handed in on Tuesday, children are kept in to complete their homework during the 20 minutes of extra play after lunch on Wednesday.

### Nasal Flu Vaccinations

This year, nasal flu vaccinations will be offered to all children in Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4. The school nurses will be administering the vaccinations on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November. Consent packs have been sent home. Please ensure that consent forms are returned to school (if you do NOT wish your child to have the vaccination) as soon as possible. Thank you.



### PTA News

#### **Winter Fair Raffle**

The Winter Fair raffle is always incredibly well-supported by the St John's community. We currently have a selection of lovely smaller prizes, but are hoping we might be able to offer some larger prizes. Do you work for a company that might consider donating a higher-value prize? Or do you know somebody who might be able to help? Perhaps a night away at a hotel or a restaurant voucher or even a hot-air balloon ride?! If you're able to help, please speak to Mrs Morris in the office or any member of the PTA Committee.



#### **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December**

#### **Kenilworth Christmas Lights Switch-On: Chocolate Tombola**

We're looking for volunteers to help man the chocolate tombola at the Kenilworth Christmas Lights Switch-On on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. If you're available for half-an-hour (or more) between 12.30pm and 6.00pm, please complete the doodle poll at <https://doodle.com/poll/xf26nda5iza6nner>. If you don't have internet access, simply speak to a member of the PTA on the playground or let Mrs Morris in the school office know that you can help.

#### **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

#### **Non-Uniform Day**

Come to school in your own clothes in return for a donation to the ever-popular Winter Fair bottle tombola!