

St John's Primary School and Nursery - Friday 16th March 2018 -

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Week 3: w/c 12.3.18

On Monday, we waved goodbye to Year 6 as they made their way to Swanage for a week away. The adults have been keeping me regularly updated and they have had a brilliant time! The weather was variable, but it didn't spoil their fun. I'm sure there will be lots of very tired children coming home today.

This week, our value has been tolerance. Do ask your children what this means and how they can also be more tolerant. We started the week with a super assembly on this and I was very impressed with the children. I always keep hold of those moments when I am drowning in the bureaucracy and it really does make my job so worthwhile knowing we are educating well-rounded, well-adjusted and capable young people. I have every faith that our country is in safe hands in the future and I will be well looked after in my old age!

Have a super weekend. With very best wishes,

Mr D Barrow

Head Teacher

Safeguarding

Safeguarding updates have been given to our caretaker and new cleaners. I have also worked with the other Kenilworth Heads discussing how we can support each other and be consistent with safeguarding across the area.

Prevent: Message from West Midlands Police

Over the weekend, there have been a number of reports of malicious communications sent to individuals across the UK which feature anti-Muslim messages. Counter Terrorism Policing North East are co-ordinating this investigation.

At the time of publishing this message, we are not aware of any having been received in the West Midlands force area. Letters have been published on social media and mainstream news publications, so there is likely to be a high level of public awareness and concern.

The police are treating this matter extremely seriously. Anyone with any concerns about a communication they have received should contact their local police force.

Nits!

A very small minority of parents seem to think that I am personally responsible for any outbreaks of nits in school! In many cases, I don't even get to know about it as there are systems in place to communicate outbreaks to parents. If there are episodes of nits, the class teacher will let the individual child's parents know where possible. A text is then sent to all parents in the year group advising them to look out for and treat their child. The onus is then on the parents to treat their child accordinally.

I know I keep saying this time and again, but if your child has long hair, it needs to be tied up please. Plaits form a good barrier of defence for the nits too!

Governors' Update

I am sorry to let you know that Trevor Martin has resigned from his post as Chair of Governors at St John's. He has been a Governor for over 15 years and Chair for much of my time here. On behalf of all the Governors, I would like to thank him for his hard work and commitment to the school.

Mrs Trisha Coopey will take over as Acting Chair for the summer term, and elections will be held for a new Chair. I will keep you posted with any updates. All contact details for the Governing Body remain the same.

Silver Smarties

Thank you all for your support with this fundraising initiative organised by our fantastic PTA. We raised over £900! The winning class was RFB (Mrs Fenner and Mrs Baker in Reception), who have won £100 to spend on their class.



Reception Maternity Cover

We have appointed Mrs Jayne Ashley to cover Mrs Baker's teaching commitment when she starts her maternity leave just after Easter.

Mrs Ashley has already met some parents when she covered last Friday in Reception, and I know you will all make her feel very welcome.

Mrs Eastham will be taking on Mrs Baker's leadership responsibility and becoming Acting Deputy Head for two terms. We will all miss Mrs Baker, but we will still see her most days when she does the school drop-off!

Parent Forum - 3B

Parents and carers of 3B are invited to join us for the next new-look Parent Forum coffee morning after 3B's class assembly on Wednesday 21st March. Parents will be able to come and have a coffee in the Out of School Club and speak to us in a less formal environment. Please do make every effort to stay behind.

Packed Lunches

Water is available at lunchtimes for children to have with their packed lunches. If you would like your child to drink something other than water (no fizzy drinks please), please include it in their lunchbox. Thank you.

Diary Dates

Mon 12 th – Fri 16 th Mar	Year 6 residential trip to Swanage				
Mon 19 th Mar	Reception trip to Umberslade Farm				
Tue 20 th Mar	Braiswick Photographic – class photos				
Wed 21st Mar	PTA non-uniform day 9.00am: 3B class assembly 9.30am: 3B – parent forum coffee morning After school: PTA Spring disco (Reception & KS1: 3.30pm – 4.15pm / KS2: 4.30pm – 5.30pm)				
Thu 22 nd Mar	Year 2 trip to Thinktank				
Sat 24 th Mar	9.00am-12.00pm: Community Gardening Day				
Wed 28 th Mar	PTA non-uniform day in return for chocolate tombola donations After school: PTA Easter chocolate tombola				
Thu 29 th Mar	3.15pm: Break up for Easter holiday				
Mon 16 th Apr	Back to school				

Class Assemblies

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

Twitter

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Term Dates 2018-2019

AUTUMN TERM									
INSET DAY CLOSURE		Mon	3	September					
School opens at 8.45 am	-	Tue	4	September	2018				
Half-Term School closes at 3.15 pm	_	Fri	26	October	2018				
INSET DAY CLOSURE		Mon	5	November	2018				
School opens at 8.45 am	-	Tue	6	November	2018				
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY									
School closes at 3.15 pm	-	Fri	21	December	2018				
SPRING TERM									
INSET DAY CLOSURE		Mon	7	January	2019				
School opens at 8.45 am Half-Term	-	Tue	8	January	2019				
School closes at 3.15 pm	-	Fri	15	February	2019				
School opens at 8.45 am	-	Mon	25	February	2019				
EASTER HOLIDAY									
School closes at 3.15 pm		Fri	12	April	2019				
BANK HOLIDAY GOOD FRIDAY BANK HOLIDAY EASTER MONDAY		Fri Mon	19 22	April April	2019 2019				
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School opens at 8.45 am		Mon	29	April	2019				
BANK HOLIDAY CLOSURE		Mon	6	May	2019				
<u>Half-Term</u>				- /					
School closes at 3.15 pm		Fri	24	May	2019				
School opens at 8.45 am	-	Mon	3	June	2019				
SUMMER HOLIDAY									
School closes at 3.15 pm INSET DAY CLOSURE		Fri Mon	19 22	July July	2019 2019				
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Please note that there will be one further INSET day (2018/19), the date of which is yet to be confirmed.

Class Photos

Braiswick Photographic will be in school on Tuesday 20th March to take class photos.

Warwickshire Education Strategy Consultation

Overleaf is some information on the Warwickshire Education Strategy (2018 – 2023). The proposed strategy will guide and support education in Warwickshire for the next five years and is currently in a period of consultation (5^{th} March – 2^{nd} April).

Further information about the consultation, how to take part and the full draft strategy can be found here: https://ask.warwickshire.gov.uk/communities-group/education-strategy/.

To register your comments, simply visit www.warwickshire.gov.uk/ask.

Warwickshire Education Strategy 2018 - 2023

VISION

Promoting the best possible start in life through early education

Unlocking talent, building resilience and fulfilling the potential of our vulnerable learners

Empowering education communities so that Warwickshire's Family of Schools can thrive and there are sufficient good/ outstanding school places

Promoting employability that offers the best possible opportunities for all learners - so that the local economy can grow and young people can take on the responsibilities of adult life





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Education Strategy Consultation

2018 - 2023



Working in partnership so that a good education is available to everyone



Our new Education Strategy will guide and support education in Warwickshire for the next 5 years. It is very important to us that you have a say in what that strategy will be.



WE2 Vulnerable Learners

WE Supporting System champion Leadership challenge empower

WE4 **Employability**

