

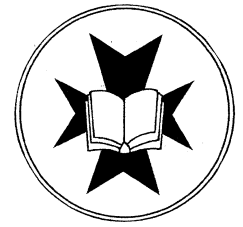
# St John's Primary School and Nursery - Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2018-

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## Week 5: w/c 3.12.18

December is finally here and Christmas preparations have begun in earnest. Please can I take this opportunity to thank Mr and Mrs Symonds for donating our magnificent hall tree? It really does feel like Christmas when the tree goes up!

Children are now starting to bring their Christmas cards into school. Please can we ask that the child's full name and class are clearly written on the envelope? This will in turn ensure that they are delivered to the correct recipient.

I hope you have a lovely weekend,

Best wishes,

**Mr D Barrow**  
Head Teacher

## Office Reorganisation

It is with much sadness that we will be saying goodbye to Lucy Morris and Lindsey Jones in the New Year. Mrs Morris was one of my first appointments when I started nearly seven years ago. During that time, she has been the most wonderfully loyal and supportive colleague, who really has gone over and above her job description. Whether that is baking cakes for Head Teacher meetings or reorganising my diary and sending me home when I have not been well, nothing has been too much trouble. We won't be saying goodbye completely because I am hoping she will still do some freelance work for us. Mrs Morris is leaving to enjoy a hopefully more flexible working pattern.

Mrs Jones has also been known to us for a long time as both a parent and member of staff. She is always a ray of sunshine and has the most wonderfully positive attitude. She has been working hard for us providing admin support and setting up a lot of the Teaching School administrative procedures. Mrs Jones will be returning to her true vocation of accountancy.

Both Mrs Morris and Mrs Jones will be staying with us until February half term to work alongside, and impart all their knowledge to, our new recruits! We have appointed Mr Tony Aston to be our new Office Manager and Mrs Stacy Clark as our Admin Officer. They will both be working five days per week. Mrs Weir will be reducing her hours as School Business Manger to three days per week.

## Congratulations to our Talented Staff

Part of our remit as a Teaching School is to appoint Specialist Leaders in Education to help support school improvement across the authority. Last week I, along with Mrs Gane (Head Teacher, Priors Field), interviewed to recruit our first cohort. Included in cohort one were Mrs Eastham (who has been appointed as an SLE in SEND) and Mr Lee (SLE in Mathematics). Congratulations to both of them!

## Diary Dates

Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	3.30pm-4.30pm: Nursery stay and play (January new starters)
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.00am: Nursery Christmas performance
Tue 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	2.00pm: Reception & KS1 Christmas performance #1 6.00pm: Reception & KS1 Christmas performance #2
Wed 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	2.00pm: KS2 Christmas performance #1 6.00pm: KS2 Christmas performance #2
Thu 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.15am: KS2 Christmas performance #3 12.00pm: Whole-school Christmas lunch
<b>Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Dec</b>	<b>3.15pm: Break up for Christmas</b>
<b>Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Jan 2019</b>	<b>INSET day – school closed</b>
<b>Tue 8<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	<b>Back to school</b>
Wed 16 <sup>th</sup> Jan	12.30pm: Parent sharing lunch – 4T
Tue 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	PTA non-uniform day & New Year disco
Wed 30 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9.00am: 4P – class assembly
Tue 5 <sup>th</sup> Feb	pm: 4T/3B swimming – last session
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> Feb	12.30pm: Parent sharing lunch – 4P
<b>Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<b>3.15pm: Break up for February half-term</b>
w/c Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb	STEM week
<b>Mon 25<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<b>Back to school</b> 3.30pm-5.30pm: Parents' evening
Wed 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb	4.30pm-6.30pm: Parents' evening

## Class Assemblies

<b>4P</b>	30 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>5S</b>	12 <sup>th</sup> June
<b>3B</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>RK</b>	26 <sup>th</sup> June
<b>3TH</b>	10 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>6E/6L</b>	Leavers' Assembly: Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July
<b>1C</b>	22 <sup>nd</sup> May		

## Term Dates

### **AUTUMN TERM**

INSET DAY CLOSURE	- Mon	3	September	2018
School opens at 8.45 am	- Tue	4	September	2018
<b>Half-Term</b>				
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
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### **SPRING TERM**

INSET DAY CLOSURE	- Mon	7	January	2019
School opens at 8.45 am	- Tue	8	January	2019
<b>Half-Term</b>				
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	- Fri	19	April	2019
BANK HOLIDAY EASTER MONDAY	- Mon	22	April	2019

### **SUMMER TERM**

School opens at 8.45 am	- Mon	29	April	2019
BANK HOLIDAY CLOSURE	- Mon	6	May	2019
<b>Half-Term</b>				
School closes at 3.15 pm	- Fri	24	May	2019
School opens at 8.45 am	- Mon	3	June	2019
INSET DAY CLOSURE	- Fri	21	June	2019

### **SUMMER HOLIDAY**

School closes at 3.15 pm	- Fri	19	July	2019
INSET DAY CLOSURE	- Mon	22	July	2019

## Children in Need

Thank you so much for your support with our spots, stripes and flowers non-uniform day, which raised a super £230 for this worthwhile cause.

## Whizzy Wednesday Junk

Thank you so much for sending in all of your junk for our Whizzy Wednesday problem-solving projects. We now have more than enough to keep us going, so please do not send in any more!

## Parking Safety

It has come to my attention that parents are parking on the yellow zig-zag lines around school. Please can I politely remind you that this is really not safe for the children? There have been several near misses because of this and I am really worried that someone will get hurt if this continues.

## Out of School Club Parking

From this point on, please can we ask that users of the Out of School Club who arrive between 7.30am and 8.00am park on the Children's Centre side of the car park (on the left when you enter) please? Staff quite often have boxes of books etc. to carry in to school, so need to be able to park close to the main entrance. **Please do not park on the right hand side of the car park.** Thank you for your co-operation.

## Saturday Morning Girls' Football

Age group: Years 2 – 6  
Time: 11.00am – 12.00pm  
Location: Kenilworth School

Free trial sessions available. For more info, call DF Sports Coaching at [dfsports@icloud.com](mailto:dfsports@icloud.com) or 07931 641540.

## Piano & Drum Kit Lessons

Cameron Podmore (an ex-St John's pupil) is now offering private piano and drum lessons for beginners of all ages. For more information, call 07970 348679 or email [campodmore@gmail.com](mailto:campodmore@gmail.com).

## Calling Boys in Years 4, 5 & 6!

Warwickshire Choristers are recruiting new choristers. For more information, see below.