

St. John's Church of England Primary School Newsletter

'The JOY of the Lord is Your Strength'

(Nehemiah 8:10)



Friday 24th February 2023

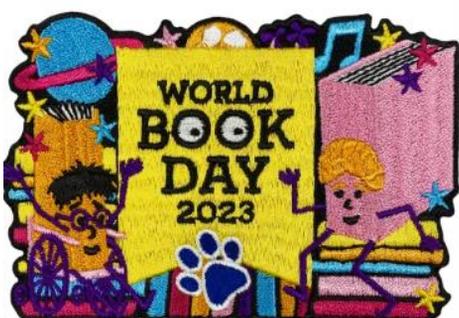
Welcome Back to school after half term. We hope you had a lovely break and are well rested ahead of this half term which is always lovely as the weather improves (hopefully) and more and more events start to happen in school. As ever, keep an eye on the dates section to the rear of the newsletter as key dates for the term are listed, added and amended as necessary!

I would like to start with a few 'well dones'. Firstly to those children in Year 5 who passed either their Bikeability Level 1, Level 2 or both over the course of this week. Their instructors were very complimentary about such a lovely group. Secondly, to the gymnasts from Years 3 and 4 who finished joint second in their competition at Stanley this week – a fantastic achievement!



Year 4 were also wonderful hosts for Bright Sparks who came in on Wednesday to lead a whole day electricity workshop for Year 4 – fantastic fun!

A reminder that we are closed on Tuesday 28th February due to the industrial action by NEU. Please see the post and attached letter on Class Dojo for further information.



We are looking forward immensely to celebrating World Book Day on Thursday. A reminder that we are not dressing up this year (but advance warning that we will be in 2024!) but we do have lots of fun activities planned based upon Julia Donaldson's books and in particular, Snail and the Whale.

Miss Halsall has posted a letter about World Book Day on Class Dojo and will also post the link for a virtual book fair. Please have a look and any orders help earn school some rewards! We shall keep you posted with events on the day!

We had a lovely time this afternoon celebrating our Dojo winners for last half term with a special afternoon tea. Thank you to Shannon in the kitchen for putting on such a fabulous spread and ensuring we were able to celebrate our superstars in style! I wonder what our next treat will be!

We apologise that our outdoor reading area is currently closed off. We hope to reopen soon and are very thankful to Southport Rotary Club who are helping us redesign and furnish the area. We will keep you posted on progress!

Respect Thankfulness Compassion Truthfulness Trust Responsibility

St. John's Superstars

Superstar Award

Year Group

J.O.Y. Award

Theo	<u>Reception</u>	Bailey
Shawn	<u>Year 1</u>	Harry
Philippa	<u>Year 2</u>	Autumn
Jason	<u>Year 3</u>	Isla
Alissa	<u>Year 4</u>	Isabelle
Rory	<u>Year 5</u>	Oliver
Sienna	<u>Year 6</u>	Keira

Dates for this term:

Please keep an eye on the newsletter each week as the list of dates will be added to / amended over time. Further details of key events and festivals will be sent out nearer the time in case we need to make any logistical changes. Teachers will keep you updated on Class Dojo regarding key events for your child's class.

20th February – back to school

22nd February – Y4 science workshop all day led by Bright Sparks!

23rd February – Year 6 start swimming

27th February – Sports Hall Athletics Competition for selected Years 5 and 6

28th February – school closure due to NEU industrial action

2nd March – World Book Day

2nd March – Football League Night 1 at Birkdale High starting at 4 pm

6th and 9th March – parent's evenings. These will be face to face meetings.

8th March – National Let's Play football for girls Day – Mr Willmott has plans....

13th March – last week of clubs

15th and 16th March – NEU industrial action.

20th March – Swimming gala – team notified soon

22nd March – Y5 & Reception visit to Chester Zoo

23rd March – Y4 River Study trip

27th March – PFA Easter Bingo – more to follow

31st March – Easter Services in Church

31st March – last day of term. No FAST club today

ATTENDANCE

Whilst COVID is still very much around and in the news, it is important that children are in school as much as possible to catch up academically and socially. Each week the **class** with the highest attendance will get a little extra treat and a mention in assembly.

Reception – 98%

Year 1 – 96%

Year 2 – 95%

Year 3 – 94%

Year 4 – 99%

Year 5 – 91%

Year 6 – 97%

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Prayer for the week

Dear God,

Help us to be honest when we do something wrong. Help us not to blame other people, but acknowledge our mistakes, and apologise and so learn and move on.

Amen