

St. John's Church of England **Primary School Newsletter**



'The JOY of the Lord is Your Strength'

(Nehemiah 8:10)

Friday 16th September 2022

Meet the Teacher

Thank you to all who attended 'Meet the Teacher' this week; I hope you found the sessions useful for meeting the staff in your child's class and finding out about the curriculum and key class organisation. Information from the meetings will be added to class pages on the website very soon, if not already.

Clubs

Thank you for returning club requests so promptly. Teachers will be sending home confirmation slips with children tonight. Clubs will now start on Tuesday.

Pastoral Team Coffee Morning

I hope you have all seen the poster advertising these coffee mornings on Class Dojo. Mrs Maxwell and Ms Godfrey will be hosting regular coffee mornings on a Tuesday morning starting next week. They will be held in Church, so away from the hustle and bustle of school, and are an opportunity to meet and catch up with members of staff who focus on the pastoral care in school. Both ladies are contactable via the office should you require further information.

Bank Holiday on Monday

A reminder that we are closed on Monday due to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's funeral. We return to school on Tuesday 20th. It has been lovely to hear from children about letters they have written, pictures they have drawn and events they have planned to celebrate Queen Elizabeth's life.

Footballers

Good luck to the football team who are representing school in the first league fixtures of the year at Stanley on Tuesday evening! Mr Willmott has promised great things!

Values Day

Next Friday will be a very special day in school as we will be spending the whole day re-visiting our school values and why they are so important to us at St. John's. We will be starting with a special assembly focusing on Nehemiah and where our strap line, "The JOY of the Lord gives you strength" comes from before we take part in some special activities to explore our values of:

Respect Thankfulness Compassion Truthfulness Trust Responsibility

We shall add photos to Class Dojo throughout the day so you can all share a little JOY!

Harvest Service

We will be celebrating in Church with two services again this year on Friday 30th September which we would be delighted to welcome parents and wider families to. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will start at 9:15 am, with Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 starting at 10 am. Anyone with children in both services would be welcome to stay in Church between. Once again, we are asking for donations of tinned / packet food which can then be donated to those in need. Any donations can be brought into school during the week commencing 26th September – we usually take the donations to Church on Thursday 29th so that it can be decorated prior to the service. Thank you so much in advance for your generosity and we look forward to seeing you there!

St. John's Superstars from before half term

<u>Superstar Award</u>	<u>Year Group</u>	<u>J.O.Y. Award</u>
Rosie	<u>Reception</u>	Joseph
Josie	<u>Year 1</u>	Carlton
Heidi	<u>Year 2</u>	Owen
Maisie	<u>Year 3</u>	Ishan
Isla	<u>Year 4</u>	Harley
Isabelle	<u>Year 5</u>	Izzy
Benjamin Sl.	<u>Year 6</u>	Myla

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: ATTENDANCE

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.

19th September – clubs start. Letters and timetable will follow soon

23rd September – Values Day in school

27th September – Tempest Individual School photos

30th September – Harvest services in Church. Rec, Y1 and Y2 at 9:15. Years 3-6 at 10 am. Parents will be able to attend if you wish.

12th October – Confirmation Service at 7pm at St. John's Church

19th October – Buddy Assembly for Reception, Year 6 and families

21st October – End of half term at normal time

31st October – Back to school

11th November – Year 6 leading our Remembrance Service

14th – 16th November – Year 6 at Robinwood Activity Centre

Wednesday 7th December – Christmas activities start (I will include all dates soon!)

Wednesday 21st December – last day of term. School closes at 1:45 pm. No FAST club on this day.

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	97%
Year 1	100%
Year 2	98%
Year 3	100%
Year 4	95%
Year 5	96%
Year 6	95%

Useful contact details

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Prayer for the week

Dear Lord,

Thank you for the dedication of those who serve, whether it is the police, nurses, teachers or our Queen. Help us to celebrate the life of Queen Elizabeth and look after her family and ours. Amen