

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



## 'The JOY of the Lord is Your Strength'

(Nehemiah 8:10)

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022

### PFA Film Nights

We hope that everyone who came to the film nights this week enjoyed themselves! Thank you to our PFA volunteers who helped at the events which helped to raise around £250 which our PFA will put to good use! There will be another film night later in the year.

### Parent Teacher Meetings

These will take place by phone during the second and third week of November. The aim of these initial parent teacher meetings is to have a quick catch up regarding how children have started the year and go through some targets to work on. The spring parents evening will be hosted in person and at that time there will be the opportunity to have a good look through books.

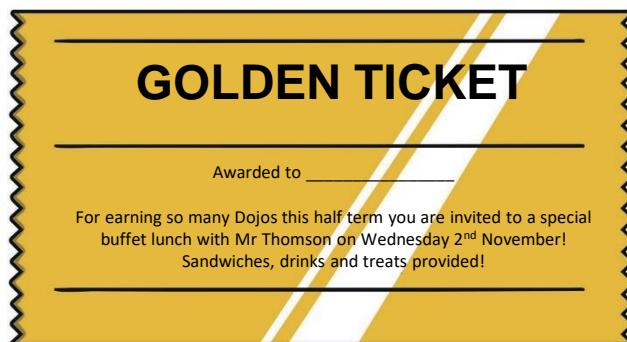
I have posted the parent's evening letter today on Class Dojo and will add it again on our first day back - Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October, which is when the booking system goes live. Please contact teachers after half term should you experience any difficulties.

### Buddy Assembly

What a fabulous JOYful way to bring the half term to a close. Our buddy assembly was fantastic on Wednesday and a huge well done must go to Year 6 and Reception for their fantastic performance and the manner in which their relationships have blossomed. The link for the assembly is <https://youtu.be/RG2rSODutpo> - it is an unlisted channel so you need the link to be able to watch the video. We ask that the link remains within our school community please.

### Golden Tickets

Today in assembly we celebrated some of our superstars who achieved the most Dojos in class so far this year. Each of these children have received a golden ticket and during the first week back will join me for a special lunch and treats as an extra reward their hard work and JOY.



### Reading Awards

Continuing our celebration theme, one child in each class was randomly selected to receive an Argos gift card as a reward for their fantastic reading. To be eligible, children need to ensure they have completed their weekly reads at home regularly as this practise is vital in order to improve. Well done to:

Reception – Rosie

Year 1 - Emily

Year 2 - Owen

Year 3 – Elsie

Year 4 – Charlie

Year 5 - Meadow

Year 6 – Benjamin Sl.

We have also (finally) been able to award certificates to the children who completed the Summer Reading Challenge through Southport Library. Well done to our 5 'Gadgeteers!'

### Back to School

A reminder that we return to school on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October. Have a lovely half term and see you soon.

Respect Thankfulness Compassion Truthfulness Trust Responsibility

# Buddies

Year 6 children have buddied up with the reception children to help them settle into school life here at St John's.



Year 6 are fantastic role models to reception and the reception class love buddy time.



The buddies play together at play times and Year 6 children visit the reception classroom to play with them and get to know them.



At the end of the half term Year 6 and Reception completed a joint assembly for parents.



Each Year 6 child spoke about their buddy. They then together sang 'you've got a friend in me' and 'count on me'



# VICTORIAN SOUTHPORT



Christ Church



Lifeboat  
Memorial



Carousel

Year 5 explored Southport in search of historical evidence from the Victorian period.



Mr & Mrs  
Atkinson's  
House



Queen Victoria  
statue



Wayfarers  
Arcade



The Atkinson

The Atkinson hosted a special performance to help us learn more about Victorian Southport.



Atkinson  
Museum's  
Performance

# St. John's Superstars from before half term

<u>Superstar Award</u>	<u>Year Group</u>	<u>J.O.Y. Award</u>
Bailey	<u>Reception</u>	Phoebe
Amos	<u>Year 1</u>	Gabi
Sammy	<u>Year 2</u>	Alex
Riley	<u>Year 3</u>	Autumn
Carter	<u>Year 4</u>	Zara
Jenson	<u>Year 5</u>	Olivia
Addison	<u>Year 6</u>	Layla

## 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.

31<sup>st</sup> October – Back to school  
 7<sup>th</sup> November – Parent Teacher calls for Y5  
 8<sup>th</sup> November – Parent Teacher calls for Y6  
 9<sup>th</sup> November – Parent Teacher calls for Reception  
 10<sup>th</sup> November – Parent Teacher calls for Year 3  
 11<sup>th</sup> November – Year 6 leading our Remembrance Service  
 14<sup>th</sup> November – Parent Teacher calls for Year 4  
 15<sup>th</sup> November – Parent Teacher calls for Year 1  
 16<sup>th</sup> November – Parent Teacher calls for Year 2  
 14<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> November – Year 6 at Robinwood Activity Centre  
 17<sup>th</sup> November – last Year 4 swimming  
 24<sup>th</sup> November – Year 5 start swimming  
 Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas activities start (I will include all dates soon!)  
 Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December – last day of term.  
 School closes at 1:45 pm. No FAST club today.  
 4<sup>th</sup> January – INSET day. School closed to pupils  
 5<sup>th</sup> January – Back to school

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	94%
Year 2	92%
Year 3	98%
Year 4	93%
Year 5	89%
Year 6	95%

### Useful contact details

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 FAST club – 07543960290  
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### Prayer for the week

Dear God, Please help us show respect to the world around us and make sure that we still have a wonderful world to live in in the future.  
 Amen