

St. John's Church of England Primary School Newsletter

'The JOY of the Lord is Your Strength'

(Nehemiah 8:10)

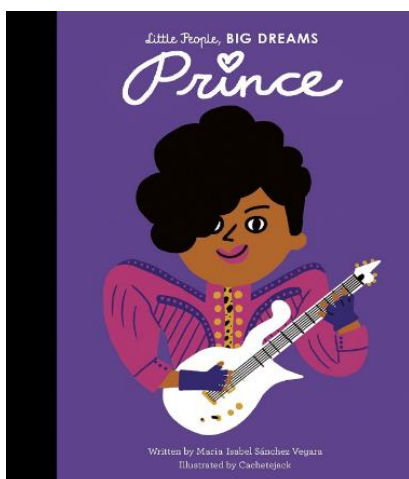


Friday 26th January 2024

Value: Compassion

Little People, Big Dreams

Our Worship this week focused on the life of the Prince (and the artist formerly known as). Since he passed away, the money Prince made in his lifetime has helped so many people. He showed us that Compassion is an action word and we can all get involved with helping others in our world. Some of our JOY team shared their favourite fundraising activities over the years at St. John's. We feel lucky to be a part of a school where everyone demonstrates compassion on a daily basis in their lives and we have helped so many with our kindness and generosity. We use our Little People, Big Dreams books all the time in school and they hopefully inspire our children to reach for the stars in all that they do. On Tuesday, we are looking forward to our Worship Warrior team from Year 5 teach us all about somebody they feel has shown compassion in their lives.....



Parking

Please can I reiterate again the importance of parking considerably when dropping off and picking up from school. Our zig-zags are clearly marked and I ask that you refrain from parking on these. I also ask that parents do not park wholly on the pavement opposite the front of school. This causes an obstruction and may be dangerous to our younger children. For the sake of safety, I ask that you park a little further away from school so that our pavements directly in front of school are kept clear for children arriving and departing school.

I have requested our local PCSO's visit at the beginning and end of the day in order to re-iterate the importance of not causing an obstruction to those utilising the pavement. Thank you all for your consideration and cooperation in this matter.



Respect **Thankfulness** **Compassion** **Truthfulness** **Trust** **Responsibility**



Dodgeball

A big well done to the Year 6's who competed in the North Sefton School Games Dodgeball tournament.

They dodged, ducked, dipped, dived and dodged their way through 5 fast paced games.

A special mention to Calisi who was recognised for her showing of the School Games values.

Next Thursday afternoon, some of our older children will be heading to Stanley High to have a little taster of Sports Hall Athletics. Mr Willmott will let the children who will be attending know.



Welcomes and goodbyes

We have been delighted to welcome Miss Bishop to our team this week in her role as Pastoral Support Advisor. She has been working across classes to get to know children, staff and as much about our special school as possible.

However, we are sad that Ms Dagnall has left St. John's. Ms Dagnall worked with many classes and children at St. John's in many different roles and she will be missed. We wish her luck in her new ventures.

Valentine's Biscuit Sale



Friday 2nd February

Iced digestive biscuits with sprinkles
50p per biscuit – please bring money to
school. Children will buy their biscuit at
break time.

Gluten free options available!
Any left overs will be sold after school
outside Y4.

We are continuing to raise money to
purchase a Defibrillator and box for
Church!

St. John's Superstars from before half term

Superstar Award

Year Group

J.O.Y. Award

Raine	<u>Reception</u>	Skye
Kaleb	<u>Year 1</u>	Phoebe
Sienna L	<u>Year 2</u>	Gabi P
Jason	<u>Year 3</u>	Dariia
Riley	<u>Year 4</u>	Sammy
Benito	<u>Year 5</u>	Matthew
Malachy	<u>Year 6</u>	Belle

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.

15th January – clubs start
 15th January – Tabz and Hettie visiting to lead our assembly about compassion
 26th January – MUFTI day in exchange for any unwanted Christmas gifts
 31st January – Y4 serving refreshments in Church after the morning service
 2nd February – Biscuit Sale to continue raising funds for defibs / training
 5th February – Start of Children's mental Health Week
 6th February – Safer Internet Day
 9th February – MUFTI Day for Southport's 'Love My Community' Day
 9th February – break up for half term at 3:05/3:10 pm as normal
 19th February – return to school
 8th March – World Book Day. We are dressing up this year! (advance warning!)
 15th March – MUFTI Day for Comic Relief and the PFA's Easter Bingo event

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	94.8%
Year 1	97.9%
Year 2	99.2%
Year 3	98.1%
Year 4	98.4%
Year 5	89.3%
Year 6	95.3%

Useful contact details

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Prayer for the week

Dear God,
 Thank you for people like Prince who use their gifts and wealth for good. Guide us as we prove that compassion is an action word and help all around us.
 Amen