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

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

(Nehemiah 8:10)

Sanny Many Market

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May Value: Trust



#### VE Day, 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

A reminder of our celebrations planned for this Thursday. Parents and family are invited to join us for a cuppa and a biscuit or two to celebrate the end of World War 2 in Europe. Gates will open at 2:15 pm.

Classes will be out on the playground already so please head over to find your child(ren) and find a spot on the playground.

Bring a picnic blanket / bring a snack or two – but please ensure they are nut free.

Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available from underneath the Year 4 shelter. No charge but we will have a little pot handy for any donations which we shall pass on to the Royal British Legion. Our Year 5 choir will be entertaining us with some wartime favourite songs – we have been learning some in our singing Worship!

All classes will be practising some wartime games in school during next week – jacks, dominoes, marbles, simple board and card games. Please feel free to bring a game to share with your children – hopefully in the sun!

I'll send some reminders next week but we are really hoping you can join us for a momentous anniversary celebration!



#### **SIAMS inspection**

Also on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup>, we will be welcoming a very special visitor to school who will be conducting our SIAMS inspection. This is a statutory inspection of Anglican and Methodist schools and takes place every 5-8 years focusing on how well Church schools are living up to their vision and mission. We are delighted that our visitor will be joining us on such a special day! A separate letter has been sent to all families regarding this inspection.

#### **Congratulations!**

We are delighted that Miss Gill and her fiancé have announced they are expecting a baby later this year. We wish them all the best as their family grows and I will keep you updated on who will be covering her maternity in the coming weeks.



Last Friday the Year 5 football team competed in the North Sefton School Games tournament and finished 2<sup>nd</sup>! Despite controlling the first game against St Luke's the team were unable to find a goal and the game ended 0-0. It was a case of more of the same against Farnborough Road and Scarisbrick Hall where both Alex and Harrison saw outrageous long range efforts come off the bar. The team needed to win the final group game against Norwood B to progress to the semi final and did so in a convincing manner with Archie grabbing 2 goals and Finley another in a 3-1 win. In the semi finals they faced up against Norwood A in a tight game that went the distance to penalties. Thanks to a fantastic save from Leighton; then Alex, Archie and Finley calmly scoring the team had made it to the final! Another tough game against Freshfield was waiting... We had chances to win the game and can feel unlucky to have had a late penalty decision turned down. However, a late throw in was misjudged by tired legs which allowed the Freshfield attacker to score their only clear chance of the game to clinch the game 1-0.



Years 5 and 6 had a wonderful time at Edge Hill yesterday hosted by Tackling the Blues.

Our pupils pitched their ideas for a social action project for our local area before embarking on a tour of Edge Hill's beautiful campus and then enjoying some sporting activities. Thank you to Edge Hill and Tackling the Blues for hosting us and all the work they do with us throughout they year.

We'll let you know if one of our ideas for social action is chosen.....





## St. John's Superstars

Superstar Award	Year Group	J.O.Y. Award
Brandon	Reception	Tommy
Lilly	<u>Year 1</u>	Hallie
Carter	<u>Year 2</u>	Emily
Sienna	<u>Year 3</u>	Isaac
Jason	<u>Year 4</u>	Aston
Harvey M	<u>Year 5</u>	Jason
Max	<u>Year 6</u>	Isabelle

#### **IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

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 least 95% of the time in school and learning. any logistical changes. Teachers will keep you updated on Class Dojo regarding key events for your child's class.

5<sup>th</sup> May – school closed for May Day bank holiday

8<sup>th</sup> May – VE Day Celebrations in school

12th May - SATs week for Year 6

20th May – TEMPEST in school for class and team photos

23rd May - MUFTI day for the PFA Summer Festival gifts for the adult tombola

23rd May - end of half term at 3:05/3:10 pm

2<sup>nd</sup> June – school closed for INSET day

3rd June - Back to school

11<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 trip to Liverpool Cathedral for the Diocesan Leavers Service

13th June - MUFTI day for the PFA Summer Festival gifts for the children's tombola

25th June – Year 4 at Sing4Sefton event

27th June - MUFTI day for the PFA Summer Festival bottles

30<sup>th</sup> June – visit to school by Bishop Ruth, interim Bishop of Liverpool

1st July – Year 5 visiting Birkdale and Greenbank

2<sup>nd</sup> July – Sports Day – gates open at 1 pm

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Good attendance is absolutely vital in ensuring your child is able to fulfil their potential in school. Our target for good attendance is at Each week the class with the highest attendance will get a little extra treat and a mention in assembly.

Reception - 97.1%
Neception 37.170
Year 1 – 96%
Year 2 – 93.7%
Year 3 – 96.2%
Year 4 – 98%
Year 5 – 95.4%
Year 6 – 93.7%

#### **Prayer for the Week**

Dear God,

Thank you that we can always trust you. We know that you won't ever let us down or leave us on our own. You are always there for us.

Amen.