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

'The JOY of the Lord is Your Strength'

(Nehemiah 8:10)

Friday 19th September 2025 Value: Respect



Values Day

We have had a wonderful day today celebrating the special values that underpin our vision and wonderful ethos here at St. John's. We reminded ourselves of the importance of J.O.Y before classes took ownership of a value each, exploring a Bible story and completing activities to illustrate our values in action.

Class	Value	Bible Story
Rec and Y6	Trust	Fish on the Other Side
1	Compassion	The Good Samaritan
2	Thankfulness	The 10 Lepers
3	Respect	The Widow's Mite
4	Truthfulness	Zaccheus
5	Responsibility	Parable of the Talents



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Our Vision

At St. John's Church of England Primary School our Christian values are at the heart of everything we do. Our whole school community work together to create JOY in living and learning.

Our school values are:

- Respect
- Compassion
- Truthfulness
- Responsibility

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JOY represents JESUS, OTHERS, YOURSELF

- Give your heart to JESUS and follow his example
- Build positive relationships with OTHERS
- Be proud of YOURSELF

It's Hanvest Time

It's that time of the year again when we gratefully ask for any donations to support Southport Foodbank who work tirelessly within our locality to ensure that help is provided to individuals and families who need it most. Southport Foodbank is currently in urgent need of the following items: biscuits, soup, jam, coffee, tinned fruit, tinned meat, long life juice, shampoo, shower gel, toothbrushes. If every child could bring at least one item this would make a wonderful contribution. The collection from school will be added to the church collection and will then be distributed out. Any donations are gratefully received and can be sent into school with your child anytime from **Monday 22**nd **September**.

Families are invited to join us in Church on Friday 3rd October at 9:30 to celebrate our Harvest Service together.

Meet the Teacher

Thank you to everyone who attended our 'Meet the Teacher' events this week. It is such a lovely opportunity for you to spend some time getting to know your child's teacher and finding out about the curriculum and arrangements each year.

Teachers are posting presentations from their event onto Class Dojo pages so please check these out if you were unable to attend in person.



Clubs

Mr. Willmott published the timetable this week and today is the last day to sign up for clubs which commence on Monday. If you are able to complete the forn, your child has a place in their club; should you be unable to access the form then I am afraid that the club is already full on this occasion.

Football

Our football teams have their first tournaments and league nights coming up. On Tuesday 23rd, our boys team have their first league fixtures of the season against Larkfield, Churchtown and BDS The girls begin their season the following week with a tournament at Stanley High. As ever, we will bring you full match reports after the event but we wish our teams the best of luck and let's hope we continue to build on last year's VERY successful season.



Stanley High School

Year 6 had an exciting taster of high school life that was filled with discovery and creativity. They tested acids and alkalis using red cabbage indicator in the Science labs, showing great curiosity as they explored changes. In drama, they let their imaginations run wild through spontaneous improvisation while on the basketball court, they worked together with energy and enthusiasm. The highlight for many was designing and testing rollercoasters, giving them a taste of the problem-solving and creativity involved in mechanical engineering. It was a JOYful day filled with learning, laughter and inspiration.





St. John's Superstars

Superstar Award	Year Group	J.O.Y. Award
Casper	<u>Reception</u>	Teddy
Jessica-Mae	<u>Year 1</u>	Tommy
Samantha	<u>Year 2</u>	Hallie
Iris	<u>Year 3</u>	Daniel
Gabi	<u>Year 4</u>	Reece
Aston	<u>Year 5</u>	Heidi
Dakota	<u>Year 6</u>	Sammy

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: AT

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.

<u>September</u>

w/c 22/9 – school clubs start

Tues 23rd – Football league night 1 – Mr Willmott will notify the team

Tues 30th – Choir to visit local care homes – a letter will follow to the children going

Tues 30th – Girls football tournament at Stanley – Mrs Garlick will notify the team.

<u>October</u>

Fri 3rd – Harvest Service in Church for all year groups at 9:30. Families are welcome to attend Thurs 16th – We are celebrating National Restart a Heart day in school with a special assembly and activities.

Thurs 16th - Football league night 2 – Mr Willmott will notify the team

Weds 22^{nd} – Our Buddy assembly at 9:30 in school. Parents of Reception and Y6 are invited.

Fri 24th – End of half term at 3:05/3:10 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 least 95% of the time in school and learning. Each week the class with the highest attendance will get a little extra treat and a mention in assembly.

Reception – 95.2%
Year 1 – 90%
Year 2 – 99.6%
Year 3 – 95.5%
Year 4 – 97.4%
Year 5 – 98.8%
Year 6 – 97.9%

Prayer for the Week

Dear God,

Thank you that we can always talk to you:

Whoever we are, Wherever we are,

wnerever we are,

Whatever we feel.

Thank you that you hear what we say, And what we do not say. You know what we mean Even when we don't know ourselves.

Respect Thankfulness Compassion Truthfulness Trust Responsibility