St. John's Church of England Primary School Newsletter

'The JOY of the Lord is Your Strength'

(Nehemiah 8:10)

Friday 26th September 2025 Value: Respect

National Teaching Assistant

We had a special assembly this morning to celebrate our fabulous teaching assistants who help EVERYONE in school so much. Neither teachers, nor children would be able to cope as well without them and we are so grateful for everything they do for us.

All our classes contributed to a special video which we shall upload to Dojo as soon as possible.

Thank you to all our TA's who bring so much JOY to St. John's







It's **Harvest** Time

Thank you for your donations so far which we are looking forward to taking over to Church with us next Friday (3rd October). Families are invited to join us for the annual Harvest Service which will be led by Year 4 and feature several seasonal favourite hymns as well as a special performance from Reception on their first visit – we cannot wait!

Please can all donations be with us by THURSDAY as we take everything over during the afternoon to decorate Church. Good luck to our Year 5 choir who will be visiting two of our local care homes on Tuesday to sing some songs and bring some J.O.Y to the residents.

The year 6 football team played their first round of league fixtures on Tuesday night. They started brilliantly by beating Larkfield 6-0 with Archie opening in account for the season with 5 goals and Alex grabbing the other. Next was a cagey game against Churchtown which they unfortunately lost 1-0 despite being in control throughout the match. But in the final game of the night, 2 goals from Alex and a goal each for Thomas and Finley as well as an own goal secured a 5-0 win against BDS. It is a great start for the season as the team look forward to the second round of fixtures in a few weeks.

On Tuesday, it is the turn of the girls who begin their season at Greenbank – we look forward to bringing you the match report next Friday.

Names

Please can we ask that all parents check that all items of uniform are named. Whilst mornings have been chilly, lunchtimes have been warm and we I have ended up with a large pile of jumpers in my office that have no names, making it very difficult to reunite items with owners. I will leave these on a table under the Y4 shelter at the end of the school day for claiming...

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St. John's Superstars

Superstar Award	Year Group	J.O.Y. Award
Sienna	<u>Reception</u>	Archie
Penelope	<u>Year 1</u>	Brandon
Remi	<u>Year 2</u>	Daisy C
Halle	Year 3	Eva
Curtis	<u>Year 4</u>	Oliver
Jacob	<u>Year 5</u>	Theo
Theo	<u>Year 6</u>	Jacob

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.

September

Tues 30th – Choir to visit local care homes – a letter will follow to the children going from Year 5
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 Tues 14th – selected Y4 team at Stanley for a dodgeball competition. A letter will follow to the team from Mr Willmott

Weds 15th – Year 2 trip to Liverpool. A separate letter has been sent about this trip

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 22nd – 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

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 – 93.8% Year 1 – 98.2% Year 2 – 98.3% Year 3 – 92.5% Year 4 – 94% Year 5 – 100%

Year 6 – 97.5%

Thought for the Week

a problem shared
is a problem halved
and that goes double
if the one
you share
your touble
with
is your dog best friend



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