

St. John's Church of England Primary School Newsletter

'The JOY of the Lord is Your Strength'

(Nehemiah 8:10)



Friday 3rd October 2025
Value: Respect

JOY team

Huge congratulations to our brand new JOY team who were officially introduced to the rest of our school this week. We are sure that they will wear their badges with pride!

Girls Football

The girls' football team put on a brilliant performance at Greenbank on Tuesday afternoon. They started strongly with a 2-0 win over Norwood thanks to two brilliant goals from Zoe and Maisie. Against Churchtown, Maisie struck again, whilst Elsie was lively and effective on the wing. There was a solid defensive effort against OLOL, with some brilliant interceptions from Phoebe, which ended in a narrow defeat. The team rounded off the day with a hard-fought draw against Woodlands, securing joint second place in their tournament. A fantastic team effort all round!



Singing at the Care Homes

Our Year 5 choir were wonderful ambassadors as they entertained a bumper audience at Dovehaven Care Home this week. They serenaded the residents with their performance of some of our Harvest hymns as well as a selection of some regular 'favourites'. As always, our choir went down a treat with residents dancing and singing along! A pleasure to bring enjoyment to OTHERS in our community; throughout the year we will visit the same care homes and build some beautiful relationships with the residents. Well done Year 5!

Good Luck

To our girls who are back in football action on Monday in their first league night at Stanley.



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



Harvest Time is Here Again...

Well done to Year 4 who led our Harvest Service beautifully this year. They taught us about how Harvest is celebrated around the world and the importance of sharing.

Church was really full and everyone left full of JOY – especially after a performance of Dingle, Dangle Scarecrow from Reception!

Our whole school was full of generosity and Mr and Mrs Corbett will be very busy over the weekend delivering food parcels to those in need in our community.



St. John's Superstars

Superstar Award

Year Group

J.O.Y. Award

Ava	<u>Reception</u>	Noah
Bella	<u>Year 1</u>	Flynn
Adi	<u>Year 2</u>	Gracie
Rosie	<u>Year 3</u>	Mia
Georgia	<u>Year 4</u>	Luke
Dilan	<u>Year 5</u>	Harper
Ethel	<u>Year 6</u>	Isla

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.

October

Mon 6th – Girls football league matches at Stanley for the selected team

Weds 8th – Y2 visiting Church during the school day

Tues 14th – height and weight checks for Reception and Y6 – School Health team

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

November

Mon 3rd – Back to school

Respect Thankfulness Compassion Truthfulness Trust Responsibility

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 – 99%

Year 1 – 95.4%

Year 2 – 99.1%

Year 3 – 92.5%

Year 4 – 94.1%

Year 5 – 98.5%

Year 6 – 98.3%

Thought for the Week

Dear God,
Thank you for the story of 'The Rich Man and The Needle' teaching us the value of generosity. Thank you for all the things that are given to us and all the times when people share with us. Help us to be generous with all we are given. May we not take more than we really need and may we always be ready to share what we can with others.
Amen.