

St. John's Church of England Primary School Newsletter

'The JOY of the Lord is Your Strength'

(Nehemiah 8:10)



Friday 25th November 2022

Chocolate

Each year we ask kindly for chocolate donations in school. The Rotary Club create hampers which are then shared out into our local community to children who have suffered bereavement. There will be a chocolate service taking place on Sunday 4th December at our church, St John's at 10am until around 11:15am. Everyone is welcome! If you wish to donate any chocolate, please send it into school by Friday 2nd December. On the right is a picture from last year – let's see if we can beat that amount!



Pre-School Stay and Play

We had a fantastic first session today with lots of children getting a little taste of life at St. John's. We have further sessions on Friday 2nd and Friday 9th December and children aged 2-4 are more than welcome to attend with a parent or two! A flier for this event can be found on our website and on Class Dojo!



Futsal

Well done to the boys who took part in the futsal tournament on Wednesday and fought bravely against teams from much larger schools but unfortunately did not come away with a win this time. A special mention for Matthew and Oliver who were called up as late replacements and performed brilliantly!

Carols By Candlelight

Next Thursday sees the start of our Christmas festivities in school with our Carols By Candlelight service taking place after school in the hall. Hot chocolate, biscuits and mince pies will be available courtesy of our PFA and there will be an opportunity to join in with a number of traditional and new Christmas hymns and songs. Families of all year groups are invited and whilst there is some seating, space is very limited in our hall and it may be standing room only after so many years without this event.

Christmas cards

As we move into December at the end of next week, children will be busy I am sure writing Christmas cards to each other. Within their class, teachers will find specific times for giving out cards to friends: should children be writing cards to children in other classes, please put the name and class on the envelope as we have a central post box for these cards to be posted in! Without a class, it can be very difficult to ensure deliveries to children with some of the more common names!

Respect Thankfulness Compassion Truthfulness Trust Responsibility

St. John's Superstars from before half term

<u>Superstar Award</u>	<u>Year Group</u>	<u>J.O.Y. Award</u>
Halle	<u>Reception</u>	Ellie
Jenson	<u>Year 1</u>	Harry
Nathan	<u>Year 2</u>	Grahi
Riley	<u>Year 3</u>	Scarlett
Jacob Em	<u>Year 4</u>	Ava-Loise
Luca	<u>Year 5</u>	Isabelle
Ryan	<u>Year 6</u>	Anabella

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.

- 29th November – Year 2 visiting Mr and Mrs Corbett
- 1st December – Carols By Candlelight after school
- 1st December – netball match at Larkfield
- 2nd December – Pre-school Stay and Play Session 2
- 6th December – Advent Eucharist service in school
- 7th December – Reception nativity
- 8th December – Christmas discos
- 9th December – Pre-school Stay and Play Session 3
- 13th December – Christmas dinner and party for Years 2,3,4
- 14th December - Christmas dinner and party for Years 5,6
- 15th December - Christmas dinner and party for Reception & Year 1
- 14th December – Choir visiting local care homes
- 16th December – Winter Wonderland
- 20th December – Church services
- 21st December – last day of term. School closes at 1:45 pm. No FAST club today.
- 4th January – INSET day. School closed to pupils
- 5th January – Back to school

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	97%
Year 1	89%
Year 2	98%
Year 3	93%
Year 4	85%
Year 5	91%
Year 6	67%

Useful contact details

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Prayer for the week

Dear God,
 Help us to remember to use our manners all of the time to those who help us.
 Amen