

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

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

(Nehemiah 8:10)



Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Value: Compassion

### Compassion Assembly

Hetty from Southport Youth Workers Trust came in on Monday to lead our Worship. It was a wonderful Assembly where some children from Year 5 and 6 played a game where they had to stick as many Post-its to each other as possible. Hetty was teaching us all about the importance of sticking together – showing compassion – to each other. Thank you to Calisi and Luca for their report after the assembly!



Next week in our Worship we shall be exploring the life of Prince who showed compassion through his generous charity work. Our Year 5 Worship

Warrior Team are busy preparing their own 'Little People, Big Dreams' assembly for the week after which we would be delighted for parents of the Team to attend!

### Co- op Fundraiser

A huge thank you to everyone who selected St. John's as your Co-op cause. Our current total stands at a whopping £603.53 which is amazing. This money will go towards developing our outdoor environment for the whole school community to use. We are already planning and looking forward to work starting shortly. If you shop at any Co-op stores and become a member, for every £1 you spend, 2p will be donated to our school. As we can see from our current total this amount soon adds up! If you are not currently supporting our cause and would like to please follow the steps below. Remember to spread the word amongst family members and friends and thank you for your continued support!

Become a member of the Co-op for £1. Any store can help you to set this up.

2. Download the Co-op APP to your mobile.

3. Click on the 'Community' tab on the App and select our school as the cause. It is listed as St. John's CE Primary School.

4. Shop at the Co-op and scan your Co- op membership card when you pay.



### Attendance

Don't forget our spring attendance challenge for this term. I have left a copy of the challenge on page 2 of this newsletter!

### PFA MUFTI Day

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> is a MUFTI day in exchange for any unwanted gifts (or a small donation) that the PFA can then use in its events throughout the year. Thank you in advance.

### Good Luck

To the dodgeball team from Year 6 who are taking part in a tournament at Stanley on Thursday afternoon! Report to follow next week!

**Respect Thankfulness Compassion Truthfulness Trust Responsibility**

# Attendance Matters!

As part of our continued commitment to attendance at St. John's, on Monday during assembly, we launched our St. John's Spring Attendance Challenge!

This starts from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January until Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024!

All children who achieve our school good attendance level of 96% during this term and also arrive at school on time each day will be entered into a class raffle to win:

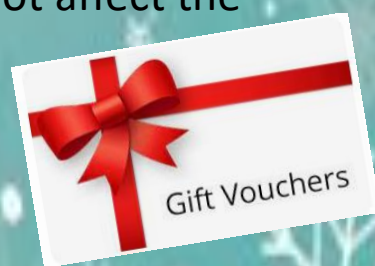
**A £15 Costa Voucher to enjoy a treat as a family. One voucher per class from Reception to Year 6!**

To achieve 96% or more this would mean 2 days off or less this term. All children who complete the challenge will receive a small reward.

At this time of year it can be difficult to know if your child is well enough to go to school. Overleaf you will find a helpful document that the NHS has produced to help support you.

We do ask that any medical appointments are arranged where possible outside of school time. However we do also understand how difficult getting an appointment can be at this time. Therefore medical appointments will not affect the Spring Attendance Challenge!

We are always here to support you with any attendance issues you may have so please get in touch!



# St. John's Superstars from before half term

<u>Superstar Award</u>	<u>Year Group</u>	<u>J.O.Y. Award</u>
Lilly	<u>Reception</u>	Samantha
Bailey	<u>Year 1</u>	Eva
Teddy	<u>Year 2</u>	Namira
Leighton	<u>Year 3</u>	Autumn
Leland	<u>Year 4</u>	Ethel
Jacob El.	<u>Year 5</u>	Xavier
Luca	<u>Year 6</u>	Isabelle W

## 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.

- 15<sup>th</sup> January – clubs start
- 15<sup>th</sup> January – Tabz and Hettie visiting to lead our assembly about compassion
- 26<sup>th</sup> January – MUFTI day in exchange for any unwanted Christmas gifts
- 31<sup>st</sup> January – Y4 serving refreshments in Church after the morning service
- 2<sup>nd</sup> February – Biscuit Sale to continue raising funds for defibs / training
- 5<sup>th</sup> February – Start of Children's mental Health Week
- 6<sup>th</sup> February – Safer Internet Day
- 9<sup>th</sup> February – MUFTI Day for Southport's 'Love My Community' Day
- 9<sup>th</sup> February – break up for half term at 3:05/3:10 pm as normal
- 19<sup>th</sup> February – return to school
- 8<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day. We are dressing up this year! (advance warning!)
- 15<sup>th</sup> March – MUFTI Day for Comic Relief and the PFA's Easter Bingo event

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	92.7%
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>100%</b>
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>100%</b>
Year 3	94.8%
Year 4	93%
Year 5	95%
Year 6	97.9%

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### Prayer for the week

Gracious God, we come before you seeking renewal in the new year. Renew our minds, our hearts, and our spirits. May we be transformed by the power of your Holy Spirit, leaving behind the old and embracing the new that you have in store for us. Amen