

St. John's Church of England Primary School Newsletter



'The JOY of the Lord is Your Strength'

(Nehemiah 8:10)

Friday 1st March 2024

Value: Truthfulness

Year 3 and 4 Gymnastics Competition

On Tuesday, Zoe, Rosin, Alex, Harrison and Finley went to Stanley to take part in a gymnastics competition. This is one of the hardest competitions that we attend due to the amount of preparation and practice prior to the event. Neil and Peter have worked hard with the children during PE lessons over the last half term to ensure they knew the routine as well as they could. Miss Wareing also helped the children choreograph a routine to music. – which the children performed brilliantly! All their hard work paid off as they came 3rd place! Fantastic effort! The children also were recognised for their teamwork and were the only team to be awarded with a certificate for this. Well done Team St John's – we are proud of you!



Ms Adam

Today in school was very poignant as we held a special Worship in memory of Ms Adam who sadly lost her battle against cancer a year ago today. We shared memories and sang some of her favourite songs as well as listening to Year 3 who read some of Ms Adam's favourite book, 'Florence Frizzball'

We also unveiled a beautiful sculpture of Ms Adam's dog, Jet, who will sit proudly in our outdoor reading area ready to be kept company and read a story to. It was lovely that Ms Adam's family were able to join us in school this morning so we could all remember the wonderful and courageous teacher she was.



Respect Thankfulness Compassion Truthfulness Trust Responsibility

Y3 trip to Southport Synagogue

On Tuesday Y3 excitedly hopped on the number 49 bus and headed to the Synagogue as part of their Religion topic on Judaism. When we arrived at the Synagogue we were shown around by Linda and Gillian and we were amazed by the beautiful building! We had a tour of the Synagogue, looked at the ark where the Torahs are kept and did a hunt to see who could spot the most Star's of David. This trip brought our unit of work to life and the children behaved impeccably. A huge well done to Y3 for being a credit to St. John's!



Safeguarding

An important reminder that school begins each day at 8:45 when the whistle is blown on the playground and children line up. If your child misses the line then please say goodbye to them on the playground and allow them to make their own way into the school building where they will be greeted by an adult. We politely ask that parents do not enter the school building via any doors during this time as teachers are busy in their classrooms and unable to speak at this time. Please pass on any messages to either Mr Thomson or Miss Bishop (Pastoral Support Advisor) on the gate who will ensure that the class teacher is made aware. Many thanks for your cooperation in keeping our school safe.

Clubs Next Week

The only clubs running next week are Netball on Tuesday and Wednesday and Multiskills on Thursday. This is due to staff conducting parents evenings. Clubs are back to normal in the week commencing 11th March.

Spring Attendance Challenge!

There are now less than 4 weeks until we draw our class raffles to see which children will win a £15 Costa voucher! Is your attendance 96% or above this term? Have you been on time for school each day? If you can answer yes then you could be one of the lucky winners! Good attendance is vitally important to ensure that your child achieves their full potential both academically and socially. Thank you for your support.



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St. John's Superstars

Superstar Award

Year Group

J.O.Y. Award

Jesse	<u>Reception</u>	Phoenix
Olivia	<u>Year 1</u>	Ellie
Ava	<u>Year 2</u>	Jasmine
James	<u>Year 3</u>	Esme
Jason	<u>Year 4</u>	Scarlett
Hetty	<u>Year 5</u>	Skyler
Olivia	<u>Year 6</u>	Fred

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.

27th February – Eucharist Service in school followed by Year 3 visiting Southport Synagogue
4th & 6th March – Parent's evening from 3:30-6 pm
8th March – World Book Day. We are dressing up this year! Miss Halsall has posted a separate letter about this event

12th March – Girls Football league night at Stanley – Mr Willmott will notify the team soon

14th March – Reception and Y1 trip to Farmer Ted's

15th March – MUFTI Day for Comic Relief and the PFA's Easter Bingo event (both together)

25th March – Swimming gala – team tbc and will be notified soon by Mrs Comstive and Mrs Patterson

25th March – PFA family bingo event (more to follow)

26th March – Year 4 trip to Liverpool

28th March – Easter service in Church – 9:30 start

28th March – Finish for Easter at 1:45 pm. No FAST club on this day.

15th April – Back to school

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 – 97.5%

Year 1 – 100%

Year 2 – 99%

Year 3 – 90.7%

Year 4 – 96.1%

Year 5 – 90.4%

Year 6 – 89.2%

Useful contact details

School Office – 01704 227441

FAST club – 07543960290

Prayer for the week

Dear God, Please help people who are suffering with cancer or any other illness.

We pray that we can all be as positive as Ms Adam was when things got tough.

We pray that Ms Adam is at rest in heaven and we know that she is looking down on us all, smiling. Please look after all Ms Adam's family and friends who miss her dearly.

We pray for all the people who care for people who are unwell. Amen.