

St. John's Church of England Primary School Newsletter

'The JOY of the Lord is Your Strength'

(Nehemiah 8:10)



Friday 11th October 2024

Value: Respect



World Mental Health Day

On Thursday we marked World Mental Health Day at school and asked all children to wear a yellow item to show commitment to this important topic. The response was overwhelming and it was joyous to see a sea of yellow enter school ready for a special day promoting the importance of understanding mental health, how people can express their feelings in different ways and ways to promote your own wellbeing. All of the children enjoyed sharing breakfast together in their class and chatting away to their friends and adults followed by mindful activities. We also held a coffee morning and it was fantastic to see so many parents and carers come along! Thank you to the Pastoral Team for organising this event, Sainsburys for their kind donation and Shannon in the kitchen for helping to provide a wonderful breakfast spread for us all to enjoy!



Well done to the boys who convincingly won their cup match against St. Philip's 12-3! A close game for the first 10 minutes soon surged into life for St. John's with goals aplenty well done in particular to Archie for leading the way with 5! After laying the groundwork in the first half, the boys were able to play with huge freedom and attacking intent in the second half – England could certainly have done with watching our game prior to their non-performance last night! A fabulous performance from St Johns though and we await our opponents in the next round....

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JOY Team 2024-2025

Year 2 – Ellie and Joseph

Year 3 – Gabi and Oliver

Year 4 – Finley and Harper

Year 5 – Ethel and Jason

Year 6 – Hope and Jacob

“I want to show compassion to my school and community.”

Jason

“I want to put a smile on everyone’s face.”

Harper

“I want to spread joy around school.”

Ethel

“I want to help people who need it.”

Finley

“I want to make our school better.”

Hope

“I like seeing people have fun.”

Jacob

“I want to share my kindness.”

Gabi

“I want to help others.”

Joseph

“I want to bring joy around school.”

Ellie

“I want to show joy and respect.”

Oliver

One VERY excited and raring to go team!

There was a huge interest in applying for the JOY Team this year by children in years 2-6. Those who were interested, wrote a letter or prepared a speech and delivered them in front of their class. Their class mates then voted for who they thought should be on the JOY Team from their year group. Votes were counted and Mr Thomson and Miss Moss checked the final decision for who our team members would be this year. Congratulations and we are looking forward to getting started with the project planning to help our school, local community and wider world.

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St. John's Superstars

Superstar Award

Year Group

J.O.Y. Award

Ottilie	<u>Reception</u>	Brandon
Hallie	<u>Year 1</u>	Tammy
Joseph	<u>Year 2</u>	Mia
Gabi	<u>Year 3</u>	Luke
Dariia	<u>Year 4</u>	Christopher
Sammy	<u>Year 5</u>	Antony
Nazar	<u>Year 6</u>	Carter

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.

15th October – Year 2 trip to Liverpool
 17th October – Y3/4 dodgeball tournament for selected children – Mr Willmott will send details
 17th October – Football league night 2 at Larkfield
 23rd October – Buddy Assembly. Parents of children in Reception and Y6 are invited. More to follow.
 24th October – PFA film night for Years 3-6. More to follow from the PFA
 25th October – End of half term. FAST club runs as normal tonight
 4th November – Back to School
 7th November – PFA film night for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. More to follow from the PFA
 11th November – Year 6 leave for Robinwood
 12th November – Odd Socks Day at school as part of Anti-bullying week
 13th November – Year 6 return from Robinwood
 15th November – Children in Need
 1st December – Toy and Chocolate Service at Church at 10 am
 3rd December – Eucharist Service in school for Advent for Junior classes

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 – 97.6%
Year 1 – 96.3%
Year 2 – 97.9%
Year 3 – 92.9%
Year 4 – 97.4%
Year 5 – 89.6%
Year 6 – 93.3%

Useful contact details

School Office – 01704 227441
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Prayer for the Week

We pray for those who suffer from mental ill-health and any distress at this time. May they recognise the peace of Christ in their lives, who comes to meet them with light and salvation