

St John's Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Friday 14th February

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March

Monday 3rd March (all week) – book week (details to follow)

Monday 3rd March Bikeability (Y4)

Thursday 6th Bikeability (Y6)

Friday 7th Bikeability (Y6)

April

Thursday 3rd Book and a biscuit event in KS1/Reception 2.45pm

Friday 4th close for Easter

Pupil News

A big welcome to our new members of the News Reporting Team, they are doing a great job bringing the news to our Thursday meeting.

Bertie reported today that during Mr Harrison's football training Harvey has been really helpful clearing up after training; modelling the school vision beautifully!

Ralph advised us that the football team he plays for outside of school is looking for an U9 Goalie and if anyone is interested to find him in the playground to discuss.

Exciting news from the girls' football team, Lucy told us that they are going to be coached by a coach from Macclesfield FC!!! How fabulous!!

Lots from the Gardening Club this week!! We've been busy planting sunflowers which will be decorating both the school and preschool! We've had a few new additions to the allotment, a Ladybird Tower and a Butterfly shelter - how lovely! The Strawberry plants are starting to wake up and we've planted some Rhubarb out. And finally we've covered the bed ready to put out our chitted potatoes, phew, very busy!

We are all really excited to be back out in the Forest now that it's Spring term. Lots of changes since the last time we were up there.

World Book Day is causing quite a stir. There's lots to look forward to along with dressing up on Thursday! Ophelia told us that we've got lots of competitions to come, and that the Star of Book Week from each class will get to have hot chocolate in the staff room!!!

Tuesday was Young Voices! What can we say, lots of our team are in the choir and made the most amazing memories singing at the COOP Live Arena, what an incredible experience.

We had a wonderful visit from a hedgehog this week in KS1. This is part of our report writing in English.

And finally, a few classes are celebrating getting their SUPERCLASS already this week! WELL DONE everyone, lots of Pyjamas were dotted around the school today!

Thanks to the Reporting Team - Ophelia, Faith, Bella, Lucy, Bertie, Dahlia, Molly, Layla, Ralph, Merry, Bonnie and Judah



Breakfast Church

Our church, St John's, has set up a wonderful new service called breakfast church. It takes place on the second Sunday of every month.

Dangerous dog

We have had reports of a dangerous dog which has been near the Co-op on Ivy Road. Please, as always, don't approach any dogs you are not familiar with or try to feed them as it has bitten a customer. This has been reported to the appropriate authority.

Book Week

Next week is book week here at St John's to mark national book week across the country. We have already shared information about all the events next week which I have reattached with this newsletter.

In particular, please be aware of the following days:

Wednesday: please bring a book into school to take part in our book swap.

Thursday: please come to school dressed as a character from a traditional tale or an adjective.

Vision

Our core value of **love** is all about the compassion that we can show to each other and the world around us.

We recognise that we must learn to love ourselves before we can show kindness to others. We are *all* an integral part of our school family. The love and support that we show to each other ensures that everyone has the opportunity to flourish.

"Love is the flickering light in someone's heart that gives you the power to make a difference in someone's life."

(Year 6 pupil)

Surveys

There are a number of surveys around at the moment as both national and local governments review how they do things. One of them is posted below and we would encourage you to get involved as this is your chance to have your say.

Special Educational Needs and Disability in Cheshire East survey

https://surveys.cheshireeast.gov.uk/s/SEND_Survey_2025_Parent_Carers/

Message from SchoolMoney

One common SchoolMoney Support enquiry is about parental login issues. The free SchoolMoney app solves this by removing the need for passwords! It's easy to set up, works on both Android and Apple, and enhances the user experience!

Why not [download the app](#) today!

Please also have a look at our [App Guide](#) or [demonstration video!](#)

Attendance

| If you child's attendance was.... | Your child will have lost approximately..... | Or they would have missed approximately.... |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|
| 95% | 9 days from school | 50 lessons |
| 90% | 19 days from school | 100 lessons |
| 85% | 29 days from school | 150 lessons |
| 80% | 38 days from school | 200 lessons |
| 75% | 48 days from school | 250 lessons |

PE timetable

These are the regular slots. Keep an eye on any emails from your teachers in the event of a change for a particular week.

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---|----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-------------|
| PE/Forest School: | Miss Williams | Mrs Cole | Mrs Walsh | Mrs Baldasera/Mrs Peacock | Mrs Walsh |
| Children to dress in PE kit on these days. | Mrs Johnson/Mrs Reed | Mrs Baldasera/Mrs Peacock | Mrs Arnold/Miss Teale | Mrs Clark/Mrs Dobson | Mrs Cole |
| Children should have wellies in the sheds all week. | Mrs Westerby | Miss Williams | Miss Foster | Mrs Johnson/Mrs Reed | Miss Foster |
| | | Mrs Wilby | Mrs Clark/Mrs Dobson | Mrs Westerby | Mrs Wilby |
| | | | | Mrs Arnold/Miss Teale | |

Extra curricular clubs SPRING TERM

We keep a register of club attendance. In the event of over subscription for a club and names being pulled out of a hat we endeavour to ensure fairness by prioritising those who haven't been able to attend other clubs.

| | Club | Leader | Year groups | Timing | How to sign up |
|--------|-----------------|----------------------------|-------------|-----------|---|
| Monday | Drama Club | Helen Sherwood | Y2-6 | 3.15-4.15 | Email Helen Sherwood: helen.sherwood05@gmail.com |
| | Girls Football | Mr Sivewright | Y4-6 | 3.15-4.15 | Letter returned to Mr Sivewright |
| | Explore group – | Mrs Clark and Mrs Hawkyard | Y3-6 | lunchtime | Children can drop in as they choose. |

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| | asking big questions | | | | |
| Tuesday | Netball | Miss Foster | Y5/6 | 3.15-4.30 | Complete a new letter and hand back to Miss Foster |
| | Board Games | Mrs Arnold | Y4 | 3.15-4.00 | Complete a new letter and hand back to Mrs Arnold |
| | Football | Mr Harrison | Y5/6 | 3.15-4.15 | Complete a letter and return to Mr Harrison. |
| Wednesday | Gardening | Miss Patterson | KS2 | lunchtime | Will resume after February half term. |
| Thursday | Tag Rugby | Mr Sivewright | Y5/6 | 3.15-4.15 | Complete letter and hand back to Mr Sivewright |
| | Football | PFC | Y3-6 | 3.15-4.15 | https://premier-football-coaching.classforkids.io/ |
| | Choir | Miss Teale/Mrs Howell | Y4-6 | 3.15-4.15 | Complete letter and hand back to Miss Teale. |
| | Gardening | Miss Patterson | KS2 | Lunchtime | Will resume after February half term. |
| | Eco Club | Mrs Dobson | KS2 | Lunchtime | Expression of interest to staff |
| Friday | Street dance | Sylk Dance Academy | EYFS and KS1 | 3.15-4.15 | Sign up online: https://dancestudio-pro.com/online/classes.php?account_id=11199 |
| | Multi-sports | PFC | Y1-6 | 3.15-4.15 | https://premier-football-coaching.classforkids.io/ |

