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It was really really lovely to see so many parents attending the Harvest Service in St. John's Church on Wednesday and for your very generous donations to the food bank. Thank you to Diamond Class pupils for leading the collective worship with Father Peter. I am delighted to report that following a very significant piece of work that Father Peter has completed with Emerald Class, we have agreed our core school values for this year. They are as follows:

RESPECT, FRIENDSHIP, PEACE, HUMILITY, WISDOM, DETERMINATION

During Father Peter's weekly collective worship with the pupils, he will be working on these with the pupils and all staff will be ensuring that these values are embedded throughout every aspect of school life. Please take the time to talk about these values with your child ensuring that they understand the significance of them in their lives.

Thank you to all the parents who attended the parents' meeting this morning after Celebration Assembly. We were able to finalise the parents who would be in charge of organising the different events that we have arranged for this term. All parents who are on the PTA Committee will have to be DBS checked so in order to allow time for this to be completed we are moving the Discos to December. They will require support from the wider parent community so please if you feel that you are able to offer this support, take the time to talk to your class representatives and they will discuss with you where the help is required. As you are well aware funding to schools has been cut drastically so it is really important that we ensure that as a school we are fundraising to give all our children a variety of opportunities and activities that they can continue to enjoy. This term we are raising money so that we can partially fund the pantomime trip for all the pupils, buy crackers for the Christmas dinner, buy presents for all the pupils for when Father Christmas visits the school and for general classroom equipment that we want to still provide for free for all pupils.

The events and activities that have been arranged for this term are as follows:

6th December 3 – 4pm Christmas Disco for Emerald & Diamond Class

7th December 3—4pm Christmas Disco for Sapphire & Ruby Class

Starting on the 9th November at 2.45pm Pop up shop that will run every Friday at the end of school selling a variety of different things e.g. books, cakes, drinks, toys, second hand uniform and Christmas presents.

After Celebration Assembly on 30 November a group of parents will decorate the hall for Christmas, please feel free to offer your support.

On 14 December there will be a secret Santa shop for all pupils to attend so that they can buy a present for their parents/ carers/grandparents

Given the very positive feedback that we have received from many parents following our demonstration lessons, we have decided to run more after half-term. Please take note of the dates as we really want to see as many parents as possible at these very valuable events.

Thursday the 11th October at 2.30pm instrumental workshop, if you would like your child to start violin or piano lessons please come and see us in the hall where we will be able to talk to you regarding this and your child can have a go on these instruments as well.

Thursday 18th October at 2.30pm – E-Safety for parents – how do we ensure that we are keeping our children safe whilst on line?

13th November at 10.30 – 10.50pm – Guided Reading for parents in Emerald Class

22nd November at 10.45 – 11.40am Maths lesson for parents in Sapphire Class

4th December at 10.30am – 11am Phonic lesson for parents in Ruby Class

4th December at 9.30am—Guided Reading for parents In Diamond Class

Have a lovely relaxing weekend and I am looking forward to seeing as many parents as possible at the instrumental workshop next week.

Best wishes Susan Notley

This Week's Attendance

Class	Week
Ruby	97.1%
Sapphire	91.7%
Diamond	100%
Emerald	97.2%
Overall	96.5%

Week Beginning Monday 8 October 2018

Monday

8am	Breakfast Club
3.00-4.00pm	Multi Sports (Reception, Yr 1, 2 & 3)

Tuesday

8am	Breakfast Club
3.00-4.00pm	Football Club (Yr 3-6)
3.00-4.00pm	NO Science Club (by invitation)
3.00-4.00pm	School Choir

Wednesday

8am	Breakfast Club
9.00am	Emerald Class Assembly
During school	Keyboard
During school	Recorder
3.00-4.00pm	Netball Club (Yr 3-6)

Thursday

Flu Immunisations Reception to Year 5

8am	Breakfast Club
11.00am	Instrumental Workshop for Parents (Violin & Piano)
3.00-4.00pm	Dance Club (Yr 3-6)
3.00-4.00pm	Tennis Club (Yr 2)

Friday

8am	Breakfast Club
11.45-12.10	Running Club

RUBY CLASS

In Ruby Class this week we have been focusing on Autumn and harvest time. We have been having lots of conversations about how fruit and vegetables are healthy to eat and keep you fit and well. Next week the children will be making vegetable soup and will be able to taste it too. Keeping the theme going we have also used the story of 'Oliver's vegetables' to help sequence the days of the week, taking clues from the book on which day Oliver ate a particular vegetable. In maths the children have been working very hard at recognising 2D shapes and their properties, please have a look around the environment to see if the children can recognise any 2D shapes. In phonics the children have now learnt the first group of sounds so next week we will be focusing on blending these sounds together to make simple words. On Tuesday we went to visit St John's church and Father Peter showed the children around the church and explained to us the significance of some of the symbols in the church and what they mean. The following day Ruby Class took part in their first church service; the Harvest Service. Finally, we would like to welcome Mariella to Ruby Class and her family to St John's school.

Have a great weekend. **Pat Creed**

SAPPHIRE CLASS

In Maths this week, some Y1 children have been looking at making, counting and recognising numbers to 10 and making these in different ways. Other children have focused on consolidating the above but to 20 before moving onto looking at how we can make a two-digit number using dienes. In Y2, we have looked at the inverse (commutative law) for multiplication and division as well as focusing on reading multiplication work problems for the 2, 5 and 10 times tables and working out what information is useful and how they use this information to answer the questions.

In Literacy this week, we have completed our setting description about the rooms/areas inside Mrs Rainbow's house – the key character in our class text. These were fantastic and thoroughly enjoyed marking all of them! Well done Sapphire!

In topic, we began to look at the city and the countryside and started to make key similarity and difference comparisons between the two areas. We will focus on this again during our topic lesson next week.

Have a lovely weekend, **James Stringer and Tracey Hargate**.

DIAMOND CLASS

This week in Literacy, the children completed their persuasive letters. I was very impressed with the language they used to persuade the public to stop dropping litter and look after our environment, including animals and wildlife. The class were fortunate to have a visit from poet Paul Lyalls who entertained the children brilliantly during their assembly, then led a poetry session in class. I was extremely pleased with the poems all the children produced! The class have been focussing on division in maths this week. They began by learning to use repeated subtraction and the chunking method to divide, then moved on to using the short division method. It proved to be a tricky concept at the start, but they soon began to grasp the idea and worked very well. Today, ten children from Year 4 participated in a sporting community event at Lee Valley Athletics Centre. I was very proud to witness all children performing really well in all activities, working as a team and persevering in order to succeed! Fantastic job guys!

Hope you all have a lovely weekend. **Sabrina Anderson**

EMERALD CLASS

This week in Emerald Class, the children have been treated to visits from important people! At the start of the week we had a visit from the Fire Brigade, who spoke to us about keeping safe and preventing fires in our homes. The children may come home with lots of advice! As it's National Poetry Week, we also had a visit from Pauls Lyalls, who is a published and famous poet. He worked with us writing poems about what the world is! The class also had a visit from Father Peter, who spoke to us about our school values. The children took part in a discussion and selected the values that the school should focus on this year – a very grown up and important job for the school! To end the week, the children took part in a class spelling bee! In maths the children have been working with fractions; finding fractions of shapes and amounts, adding and subtracting fractions and working out some tricky fraction problems. Well done Emerald Class in what has truly been a busy week. **Joe Law & Kamran Ezel**

NOTICES

Macmillan Coffee

We raised £200.27



French Trip, June 2019 (Diamond & Emerald Class)

We need all deposits by 12 October 2018. If we do not get 45 pupils deposits by this day, then unfortunately we will have to cancel the trip and everyone will get the amount they paid re-funded.

Donations to St. John's

A big thank you to Mrs Perry and Danielle for their very generous donation of £500.

A big thank you to Ivian's mum and granddad for their very generous donation of £100.

These will both go towards resources for the children.

A big thank you to Mr & Mrs Katsounotos for their very generous donation of stationery for the children. This is a tremendous help for the school.



Tissue Boxes



We would really appreciate parents donating tissue boxes to their child's classes. Please bring in to school at your convenience.

Packed Lunch

Please ensure that all packed lunches are collected at the end of the day.



Lost Property

If you would like to look in the Lost Property box, it is situated outside the school office.



School Council

Having had a busy start to the term with fundraising for Jeans for Genes and Macmillan, the School Council have now turned their minds to attendance. They have been discussing ideas for what the prize should be for the class with the best attendance at the end of the year! They will be asking the opinions of children around the school, and we should have a decision soon. Watch this space!

Attendance for the week

DIAMOND CLASS will be allowed to come into school in non-uniform on Monday in recognition for their achievement this week for the most attendance this week.



Sports News

On Tuesday evening the netball team played in their first match in the Enfield league. After a school didn't turn up we ended up playing Chase Side. The girls performed extremely well, marking their partners closely, moving into space and passing the ball well. With some good shooting from Sofia Katsounotos and Ainsley Owusu we managed to be victorious winning 3-1. Well done to all of the girls who played, choosing the player of the match was a very tricky task, but this week it has been awarded to Sofia Betancur-Mesa for playing and defending so well in her first match ever.

Nursery Admissions 2018

- Complete our supplementary forms, which can be found on the school website or collect them from the school office.
- Return the supplementary forms to the school office as soon as possible.

Worship

St. John's Church, Strayfield Road, Sunday at 9am

St. Luke's Church, Phipps Hatch Lane: Sundays at 10.30am

Children and their parents are welcome at both churches and both have Sunday Schools.





Date List for Autumn Term 2018

OCTOBER		
Wednesday 10	Emerald Class Assembly	9.00am
Thursday 11	Instrumental Workshop for Parents (Violin & Piano)	2.30pm
Thursday 11	Flu Immunisations for Reception to Year 5	
Tuesday 16	Open morning for Prospective Parents	9.10am
Wednesday 17	Diamond Class Assembly	9.00am
Thursday 18	E-Safety Talk for parents in the school hall	2.30pm
Monday 22—Friday 26	HALF TERM	
NOVEMBER		
Tuesday 6	School Photographer—Individual photographs	
Wednesday 7	Sapphire Class Assembly	9.00am
Thursday 8	Open morning for Prospective Parents	9.10am
Friday 9	Pop up shop (running every Friday after school)	2.45pm
Tuesday 13	Guided Reading in Emerald Class for Parents	10.30-10.50pm
Wednesday 14	Remembrance Service at St. John's Church (Reception to Yr 6)	2.30pm
Tuesday 20	Parents' Evening to see the class teacher	
Thursday 22	Parents' Evening to see the class teacher	
Thursday 22	Maths Lesson in Sapphire Class for Parents	10.45-11.40am
Friday 30	Decorating of the School Hall for Christmas	After Celebration Assembly
DECEMBER		
Tuesday 4	Phonic lesson in Ruby class	10.30-11.00am
Tuesday 4	Book Fair	After School
Thursday 6	School Disco for Emerald & Diamond Class (Dance Club will enter free)	3.00-4.00pm
Friday 7	School Disco for Sapphire & Ruby Class	3.00-4.00pm
Thursday 13	Nativity for Ruby Class	2.00pm
Friday 14	Secret Santa shop for all pupils—buy a present for your family	
Tuesday 18	Pantomime at the Millfield Theatre—Beauty and the Beast	During school
Wednesday 19	Carol Service at St. John's Church	2.00pm
Thursday 20	Christmas parties for all classes	During school
Friday 21	END OF AUTUMN TERM	1.15PM

Autumn	2018
INSET DAY	Monday 3 September
INSET DAY	Tuesday 4 September
Starts	Wednesday, 5th September
Half Term	Monday 22 October—Friday 26 October
Ends (1.30pm)	Friday 21 December
Bank Holiday	Tuesday 25 & Wednesday 26 December
Spring	2019
INSET DAY	Monday 7 January
Starts	Tuesday 8 January
Half Term	Monday 18 February—Friday 22 February
Ends (1.30pm)	Friday 5 April

Term Dates for 2018/2019

Summer	2019
Starts	Tuesday 23 April
Half Term	Monday 27 May—Friday 31 May
Ends (1.30pm)	Friday 19 July
Bank Holiday	Monday 6 May & Monday 27 May 2018
INSET DAY	Friday 28 June

Please remember that any of the above dates may alter because of changing circumstances.
On INSET days the school is closed to pupils.