

St. John's C.E. Primary

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

It is with great sadness that we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Petit who has worked at St. John's School for thirty two years looking after so many different children throughout this time. Mrs. Petit feels that the time has come for her to retire and enjoy the next stage of her life. We are extremely grateful to her for all the years of service that she has given to this school, caring for children encouraging them to eat their dinner, playing with them and always being very keen to do the best that she can do. There will be a special presentation to Mrs. Petit in our celebration assembly next Friday and it would be lovely to see as many parents as possible at this occasion. We wish Mrs. Petit all the very best in her retirement; one that she has well and truly earned.

"The fruit of that righteousness will be peace; its effect will be quietness and confidence forever Isaiah' C32 v17

This week in our assemblies we have been thinking about self-confidence and how God is always there to help and support us in improving our confidence in areas that we may be finding challenging. We have also discussed the new group that I will be starting in the school, pupils in KS2 will be busy writing their speeches for next week so that each class will be able to vote in their representatives for this group. The first project that we will be focussing on is looking at different ways in which we can reduce our use of plastic and in doing so looking after our world. Attached to this newsletter there is some information about this Community Group. We look forward to seeing the impact that this will have both in our school and in the wider community.

I look forward to seeing as many parents as possible at our important parent meetings:-

Sapphire Class—Monday 5 February at 2.30pm

Emerald Class—Thursday 8 February at 2.30pm

Please make every effort to attend.

Have a relaxing weekend

Susan Notley
Headteacher

This Week's Attendance

<u>Class</u>	<u>Week</u>
Ruby	94.9%
Sapphire	97.0%
Diamond	93.8%
Emerald	89.6%
Overall	93.8%

Week Beginning 5 February 2018

Monday

8am	Breakfast Club
2.30pm	SATs meeting for Yr. 2 parents & Yr.1 parents (Phonic Test)
3.00-4.00pm	Multi Sports (Reception, Yr 1, 2 & 3)

Tuesday

8am	Breakfast Club
9.05am	Emerald Class Assembly
3.00-4.00pm	Football Club (Yr 3-6)
3.00—4.00pm	NO Science Club (by invitation after half term)

Wednesday

8am	Breakfast Club
During School	Keyboard Club
During School	Recorder Club
3.00-4.00pm	Netball Club (Yr 3-6)

Thursday

8am	Breakfast Club
9.15-10.45am	Organ Recital—Emerald Class
2.30pm	SATs meeting for Yr. 6 parents (Yr.5 parents encouraged to attend also)
3.00-4.00pm	Dance Club (Yr 3-6)

Friday

8am	Breakfast Club
12.30-1.00pm	Running Club (Yr 3-6) Yr 2 welcome

St. John's School Community Group

Empowering the next generation

The aim of the group is to support the local, national and global community through fundraising, raising awareness of issues that need addressing and working together to bring about change.

This group will be made up of elected class members from both Diamond and Emerald Class, one member from each year group, elected by the pupils. The Head teacher will lead this group, inviting representation from the Governing Body, St. John's church, the parents and members of the local community where appropriate to do so. This group will meet twice a half-term and will have a designated notice board outside the school office and a section on the school's website to inform the community about the group.

The aims of the group are as follows:

To support local, national and global charities through fundraising and raising awareness of the work that these charities are undertaking

To improve the school's links with the surrounding community so that greater partnership is created

To equip young people with both the understanding of global injustice and the Christian imperative to act on it but also of their capacity as global citizens to bring about change

To participate in the Global Neighbours Scheme organised by Christian Aid which will help St. John's to express our character in line with the Church of England vision for church education as 'deeply Christian and serving the common good'.

To teach our pupils that each and everyone has a part to play as a responsible member of our local, national and global community

To help our pupils grow in confidence as agents of change and to develop their leadership skills as they consider the role that they can play in making a difference

To empower our young people to live out our values of confidence, respect, determination and friendship

RUBY CLASS

Thank you to all the parents who attended the reading meeting on Tuesday. If you were unable to make the meeting the children have brought home a copy of Speed Sounds 2 which we will be beginning after half term, the children will also be bringing home their 'word detective' books next week. If there are any questions you would like to ask with regards to the meeting, please feel free to catch me at the end of the school day. Next half term we will be arranging a phonic workshop to give you an opportunity to see phonic teaching and learning in action!

This week in maths we have been looking at different ways of recording and on Wednesday we went to the front of the school and made tally charts to record how many cars drove past, the children were very surprised how many cars went past and how fast they had to mark make. In literacy we have completed our story sequencing of 'The Emperor's Egg' and have continued our focus of looking at information books especially those linked to the polar regions which has been supported by the Polar Region role play set up in Sunshine room; we even have our own Ruby class polar explorers! The children have also been very busy making paper mache eggs which we hope will hatch into something very exciting next week! Have a great weekend **Pat Creed**

SAPPHIRE CLASS

This week in Literacy we finished off our party invitations to Halibut Jackson, including the features we had previously evaluated in order to ensure our invitations were the most influential they could be. We then looked at writing questions about the invitation to Halibut Jackson, including such questions as "Did you receive XYZ (child's name)'s invitation or not?" We then undertook a hot-seating drama activity where Mr Stringer acted in role as Halibut Jackson to answer their questions. Next week, we will be writing a thank you letter from the point of view of Halibut Jackson to the children thanking them for their consideration and their invitations. In Maths, we have focused on money this week, with a heavy emphasis on making the same amount using different coins (i.e. $12p = 10p + 1p + 1p$; $5p + 5p + 2p$ etc). This can be a tricky concept, but the children have persevered with this and have not given up! Next week, we will be focusing on addition and subtraction/multiplication and division and how this can apply to money as well as other aspects of Maths. We had a very exciting Design Technology lesson too where we created our ideal home for the future. The children's imaginations during this activity were fantastic and I certainly hope we will see these houses in the future. On Monday, we are hosting our Year 2 SATs parents' meeting and Year 1 Phonics Screening meeting at 2:30pm. I strongly urge you to come, as we will be talking about how to prepare your child for SATs/phonics screening, discussing the different types of questions that the children may encounter. We will also be selling books (SATs preparation) for you and your child for additional revision purposes.

Have a lovely, peaceful weekend, **James Stringer, Tracey Hargate and Charlotte Snook**

DIAMOND CLASS

In Literacy, we have been focusing on the story 'The Tunnel' by Anthony Browne, and the class have planned diary entries from the point of view of the character named Rose. We began the week by analysing the front cover, sharing what the images suggested about the characters and what might happen in the story.

The class have been learning how to find the area and the perimeter of 2D shapes including compound shapes in Maths. This included measuring various items then finding the area and perimeter of each object, and solving word problems related to this topic. This was quite a challenging topic this week but the children worked very hard and I am pleased with the result! In Geography, the class reflected on earthquake disasters in Japan and were introduced to their earthquake drill 'Drop, Cover and Hold on'. After looking at images and watching a video of this procedure, the children had a go at carrying it out themselves! We focused on kindness in PSHE; we discussed why it is important to be kind to others and in what ways we can show kindness to everyone at all times. Hope you all have a good weekend! **Sabrina Anderson**

EMERALD CLASS

This week in English, the children in Emerald Class has been writing in role as Manyara from the story of Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters. We performed some drama to think about how Manyara feels and why she teases her sister. We then used our ideas to write a diary entry and confess! The children all wrote very well, really getting into her character and tone of voice! Well done to all. In maths we have focused on algebra and also money word problems. On Tuesday morning at 9:05am we will be performing our class assembly, parents are very welcome to come and watch. Please could you make sure the children have spoken to you about what they need to wear. Also, remember on Thursday morning we are leaving school at 8:45am as we have an organ workshop at St. Luke's church starting at 9:15am. The children just need to wear uniform and will have lunch back at school as normal.

We hope you have a relaxing weekend. **Joe Law & Kamran Ezel**

NOTICES

Enfield Children's Centre

Please take a look at the attached leaflet about what the Children's Centre at De Bohun has to offer our families



Urgent Spare Clothes required

Ruby class have run out of spare trousers, skirts, socks, tights and knickers for any accidents. If you have any spare or unwanted items, please can you bring them into school.



ParentPay

Please check your ParentPay is up to date.



Nursery Admissions 2018/19

- 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.



Packed Lunch

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



Children's Service at St. John's Church

18 February at 9.30am



Date List for Spring Term 2018

FEBRUARY		
Monday 5	SATs meeting for Yr. 2 parents & Yr.1 parents (Phonic Test)	2.30pm
Tuesday 6	Emerald Class Assembly	9.05am
Thursday 8	SATs meeting for Yr. 6 parents (Yr.5 parents encouraged to attend also)	2.30pm
Thursday 8	Organ Recital for Emerald Class	9.15-10.45am
Monday 12—Friday 16	HALF TERM	
Wednesday 21	Ash Wednesday Service in St. John's Church	2.30pm
Wednesday 28	Sapphire Class Assembly	9.05am
MARCH		
Tuesday 6	Ocean Maths for parents—Sapphire Class	9.00am
Wednesday 7	Diamond Class Assembly	9.05am
Tuesday 13	Ocean Maths for parents—Diamond Class	
Wednesday 14	Reception Class Assembly	9.05am
Tuesday 20	Parents' Evening	3.00— 5.30pm
Wednesday 21	Easter Concert for Ruby & Sapphire Class in St. John's Church	2.30pm
Thursday 22	Parents' Evening	3.00— 7.00pm
Wednesday 28	Easter Concert for KS2 in St. John's Church	2.15pm
Thursday	School closes for Easter Holidays	1.15pm

Term Dates for 2018/2019

Spring 2018

INSET DAY Friday 5 January
 Starts Monday 8 January
 Half term Monday 12 February - Friday 16 February
 Ends (1.30pm) Thursday 29 March

Autumn 2018

INSET DAY Monday 3 September
 Starts Tuesday 4 September
 Half Term Monday 22 October—Friday 26 October
 Ends (1.30pm) Friday 21 December
 Bank Holiday Tuesday 25 & Wednesday 26 December

Summer 2018

Starts Monday 16 April
 Half Term Monday 28 May—Friday 1 June
 Ends (1.30pm) Friday 20 July
 Bank Holiday Monday 7 May 2018

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

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

Enfield Children's Centre at De Bohun Hub

JANUARY -
FEBRUARY
2018



To book sessions and further information
contact us on 0208 441 7728 (Option 3)

	Mon AM	Mon PM	Tue AM	Tue PM	Wed AM	Wed PM	Thu AM	Thu PM	Fri AM	Fri PM	
De Bohun Hub Green Road Southgate N14 4AD	10.00-11.30 Stay & Play Baby Talk Drop In	12.30-2.30 One Stop Shop Call for an appointment Outreach to local clinics	9.30-11.00 Stay & Play Toddler Talk Drop In 2 Year Old Reviews & Developmental checks Invitation only	12.30-2.30 Antenatal Classes Invitation Only		Play & Communication Reviews Invitation Only		1.00-2.30 Talk Activity Invitation Only	9.30-11.00 Stay & Play Child Talk Drop In	12.00-1.00 Breast- Feeding Support Drop-in Term time only	
Lavender Lavender Road EN2 0SX	9.00-11.00 One Stop Shop Call to book an appointment	1.00 -2.00 Breast Feeding Support 2:00-3:30 Stay & Play Baby Talk Drop In	9.30-11.00 Stay & Play Toddler Talk Drop In 9:00 to 1.00 Citizen Advice Bureau Call to book		9.30-11.00 Talk Activity Invitation Only	Play & Communication Reviews Invitation Only		Speech & Language Drop In 3rd Thursday of the month 1.00 - 2.45 18th Jan 15th Feb 15th March	9.30-12.30 2 Year Development Reviews Appointment Only	1.00-3.00 Well Baby Clinic Drop In	
Chase Side Trinity Street EN2 6NS	Outreach in the local clinics		<p>Do you have a 2 year old? You may be eligible for Child care funding.</p> <p>For further information contact 0800 694 1066</p>					9.30-11.00 Stay & Play Child Talk Drop In			

Description of Sessions

<p><u>Baby Talk - Drop In</u> 0-1 year olds</p> <p><u>Stay and Play</u> session for parents and babies to share experiences, meet new friends and gain information.</p>	<p><u>Toddler Talk - Drop In</u> 1-2 year olds</p> <p><u>Stay and Play</u> session that will support families to understand how children learn to play and communicate.</p>	<p><u>Child Talk - Drop In</u> 0-4-year olds and children with younger siblings</p> <p><u>Stay and Play</u> session that will enrich your child's knowledge and development through play, helping your children explore their creativity and language.</p>	
<p><u>Talk Activity - Invitation only</u></p> <p>10 week Stay & Play session with a focus on language development. Developed to enhance your child's language and communication skills through play-led activities</p>	<p><u>PAC Reviews Invitation only</u></p> <p>A review of your child's language and communication skills through play-led activities</p>	<p><u>Speech & Language - Drop In</u> If you have worries about your child's language development, come and meet a speech therapist for advice and assessment. <u>First 6 families will be seen</u> Every 3rd Thursday of the month</p>	<p><u>One Stop Shop Appointment Only</u> Opportunity to speak to an Outreach Worker on any issues you can also access : Free Clothes! Food Bank Vouchers (if eligible) Healthy eating Advice</p>
<p><u>1&2 year Development Review- Appointment Only</u></p> <p>Early Years Practitioner led session to check your Child's Development</p>	<p><u>Citizen Advice Bureau Pre-Book</u></p> <p>A trained adviser will be available to provide one-to-one consultations covering Welfare, Benefits and Debt advice, Housing etc. Call the Hub to book your appointment</p>	<p><u>Breast Feeding Support - Drop In</u></p> <p>Support and advice from our breastfeeding peer supporters.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">All Sessions are FREE for families with children under 5</p>			