

**HEADTEACHER'S NEWS**

Thank you to all the parents and pupils who supported Jeans for Genes today, in total we raised £106.87 which will go towards helping families who have a child that has been born with a genetic disorder.

Next week we will be remembering Mr. Perry, Danielle Perry's dad who tragically died last year as a result of pancreatic cancer. We would like everyone to wear as much blue and white as possible next Friday and bring in cakes for a cake sale at the end of school. We would also appreciate it if all pupils brought in a contribution of £1.50 as well. All the funds raised from this event will go to the Macmillan Cancer Charity. This will be the School Council's first event so it is really important that every effort is made to support this charity.

Next Friday after Celebration Assembly, there will be a coffee morning to welcome our new parents. I look forward to meeting

We have now appointed our School Council representatives for this year. Congratulations to the following pupils who will be the voice of the pupils at St. John's School:

- Yr. 1 Kye Compino & Cristiano Gioe
- Yr.2 George Lynch & Teyanna Coffi-Ipaye
- Yr.3 Georgio Philippou & Freddie Stonehouse
- Yr.4 Ruby Venn, Angel Charalambous & Sofia Betancur
- Yr.5 Alesha Ahmet & Jack Bailey
- Yr.6 Ewan Neilson

Ruby Class will be appointing their representatives in the next week as we just wanted to allow them time to settle in first.

I am delighted to report that our overall attendance this week is 98.4% which is above our target of 97%. Please make every effort to maintain this now as this is an amazing start to the term. Well done to Ruby Class as you achieved the highest score of 99.3% this week for attendance. Ruby Class will now have the cup in their classroom all week. We are now in the process of agreeing our winter menu for school dinners and we would very much value both parents and pupils' input on this.

There will be an opportunity on Friday the 6th October at 2.45pm for parents to come into the dining hall to sample some of the dishes that will be on offer and to give their views on the suggested new menu. Pupils will also be very welcome to attend with their parents.

This Week's Attendance

<u>Class</u>	<u>Week</u>
Ruby	99.3%
Sapphire	97.9%
Diamond	98.6%
Emerald	97.8%
Overall	98.4%

**Week Beginning
25 September 2017****Monday****CUFFLEY CAMP—DIAMOND CLASS**

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) starting 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
3.00-4.00pm	Dance Club (Yr3-6)

Friday**MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING**

8am	Breakfast Club
	During School
	Running Club

HEADTEACHER'S NEWS cont

For parents in Emerald Class, I spoke again to the pupils who still need to pay their deposit for the Manor Adventure trip which will take place next June. It is really important that everyone has paid their deposit of £50 by the end of September as the subsequent payment will need to be made by October. I really don't want to be a position of having to chase parents for payments as this is very time consuming. Please remember that this trip is compulsory, it is part of their curriculum and as a school we have to provide such learning experiences.

On the subject of the school budget, I am very concerned about the large number of parents who have yet to pay their annual governors' maintenance of £35 for 2016/17. It is important to note that this money goes towards all the fantastic building work that we have had completed at our school over the years. Without this fund we would never have been able to afford this work that has really benefitted the pupils. Therefore, it is very important that all parents continue to pay this annual contribution as any outstanding balance has to be paid by the school and this means that other areas will have to be cut back for example visits from poets, trips being subsidised.

Have a lovely, relaxing weekend.



Best wishes,

Susan Notley
Head teacher

HEADTEACHERS MOAN

BREAKFAST CLUB AND SCHOOL DINNERS

Please can all parents put these accounts into credit as we have a zero debt tolerance at St. John's.

Unfortunately any child's account that is not in credit over the weekend will be unable to attend the Breakfast Club and will have to bring in packed lunch.

NOTICES



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Cuffley Camp

Please ensure this is contributed to before your child's trip.

ParentPay

Please check your ParentPay is up to date.



Governors' maintenance contribution of £35 - please pay ASAP.

Lost Property

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



Manor Adventure

Emerald Class Parents, please ensure your deposit of £50 is paid on ParentPay by the end of September 2017.

Nursery Admissions 2017

- 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.



Packed Lunch

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



Tissue Boxes

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

Remember



Enfield Music Service

When: Saturday 30th September, 9.15am-12.30pm

Where: Houndsfield Primary School, Park Suite, Houndsfield Road, Edmonton N9 7RA.

This is great opportunity for children to 'try out some instruments' under the guidance of professional musicians and tutors, and for parents and pupils to find out about music lessons and music activities provided by Enfield Music Service, both in and out of school time.

In addition pupils and parents can observe and join in our activity sessions - Music Club, Ukulele Clubs, Keyboard Club, Saturday Singers, Steel Pans.

Enfield Catering Service

Parents and pupils who complete a survey on www.myschoollunch.co.uk/enfield will be entered into a prize draw. The winning pupil will be awarded a Kindle Fire and case at a school assembly – complete the survey today by clicking on 'Win a Kindle Fire!'

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.



RUBY CLASS

It was lovely to see the children back at school on Monday, so enthusiastic to come into school and be reunited with old friends and meet their new friends. We would like to welcome all our new children into Ruby class and their families to St. John's school. All the children have settled very well into the routines of the reception class and have enjoyed exploring the different activities. On Monday (26th September) at 9.00 a.m. we are holding a reading meeting to discuss the different strategies we use to teach reading and some ideas of how you can support your child. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please let me know and I will ensure you receive an information pack. Please remember to send your child in with a water bottle every day. Thank you.

Have a lovely weekend.

Pat Creed

SAPPHIRE CLASS

We have continued to try really hard in Sapphire Class this week! In maths this week, we have been consolidating our knowledge of number. We have learnt to split a two digit number into tens and ones. We tried really hard in taking this forward to using the partitioning method to add 2 two-digit numbers together. Although we found this slightly difficult, we never gave up and we tried our best, so well done everybody! In literacy this week, we have looked at the Tiger Who Came to Tea. We wrote a party invitation to somebody who we would like to invite for tea at our house and we have then taking this forward to produce our own story with a clear structure. We have tried very hard with our writing targets both this week and since we have returned to school so a big well done to you all!

I hope you all have a lovely, relaxing weekend, **James Stringer**

DIAMOND CLASS

This week, the class have been working really hard in Maths using the inverse to find missing numbers and have spent time applying the column method to solving addition and subtraction word problems. They have also taken on various number challenges on our class' maths investigation day! In Literacy the children have been learning about the features of a letter and also had the task of writing their own letter based on this week's story "John Brown, Rose and the Midnight Cat". In R.E. we have been learning about Sikhism and about what happens at their special place of worship.

Please remind your children that Times Tables books and Reading Records need to be signed and brought into school every day (Times Tables books should be signed 5 days a week and Reading Records books should be signed 6 days a week). Also, their Spelling Log books need to be brought back into school in time for their spelling test which is on Wednesdays. Have a great weekend.

Sabrina Anderson

EMERALD CLASS

In English, Emerald Class has been continuing our focus on Theseus and the Minotaur. This week we have looked for clues in the text left by the author and thought about how they revealed the story. We have also focused on the character of Ariadne and how she felt after being left by Theseus. The children enjoyed generating vocabulary using drama and wrote some excellent work! In maths we have been looking at using a variety of multiplication strategies to solve calculations and problems. We are both really pleased with the way the children are settling down to their work and also completing their homework tasks.

Have a relaxing weekend.

Joe Law & Kamran Ezel



Date List for Autumn Term 2017

SEPTEMBER		
Monday 25	Cuffley Camp for Diamond Class (parents to take and pick up from Cuffley Camp)	9.30am— 2.30pm
Friday 29	Macmillan coffee morning after Celebration Assembly in memory of Mr Perry (School Council to organise a special fundraising event)	9.30am
OCTOBER		
Monday 2	Cuffley Camp for Emerald Class (parents to take and pick up from Cuffley Camp)	9.30am— 2.30pm
Friday 6	Parents are invited to sample the school dinners	2.45pm
Tuesday 10	Ocean Maths Workshop for parents and pupils in Sapphire Class (in the hall)	9.00—10am
Wednesday 11	Harvest Services in St John's Church	2.30pm
Tuesday 17	Ocean Maths Workshop for parents and pupils in Diamond Class (in the hall)	9.00—10am
Thursday 19	Open morning for prospective parents	9.10am
Monday 23—Friday 27	HALF TERM	
Tuesday 31	Ocean Maths Workshop for parents and pupils in Emerald Class (in the hall)	9.00—10am
NOVEMBER		
Wednesday 8	Remembrance Service in St. John's Church	2.30pm
Tuesday 14	Parents' Evening for all parents - 3.15-5.30 (appointments offered)	
Wednesday 15	Fire Safety Talk Yr 2 & Yr 5	
Thursday 16	Open morning for prospective parents	9.10am
Thursday 16	Parents' Evening for all parents - 3.15-6.30 (appointments offered)	
Tuesday 28	Pantomime (Reception—Year 6)	10.00am
DECEMBER		
Thursday 14	Nativity for Ruby Class	
Friday 15	Christmas Jumper Day	
Tuesday 19	Christmas Parties	1pm
Wednesday 20	Carol Service in St. John's Church	2pm
Thursday 21	END OF AUTUMN TERM	1.15pm

Term Dates for 2017/2018

Autumn Term 2017

INSET DAY Monday 4 September
INSET DAY Tuesday 5 September
Starts Wednesday 6 September
Half term Monday 23 October—Friday 27 October
Ends (1.30pm) Thursday 21 December

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

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

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