

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

St. John's C.E. Primary School

24 June 2016



HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

It is truly horrific that I find myself writing about the death of another parent in our school, words can not describe this tragic situation that we find three of our current pupils in and also a past pupil of the school. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to Jessica, Danny, Holly-Mae and Mollie at the death of their mother and also to their family as they try to come to terms with this horrendous loss. We have been supporting the pupils in school who are finding it extremely difficult to try to understand why this has happened to such a lovely family. Ms. Aylott was such a supportive, caring and warm person who was always so positive about everything. Her children were her life, she simply adored them and was always so interested in how they were getting on in school, always so willing to do whatever the school required in order to help her children. Despite the fact that she must have been going through an extremely difficult time, she never showed it. Her bravery, courage and sheer determination to continue to support her family, despite her illness, is something she deserves great admiration for. Before the end of term we will be organising a special event in memory of Ms. Aylott and her family so that we as a school can show our support at this very difficult time. The funeral will be taking place on Friday 1 July, 1.30pm at Enfield Crematorium and all enquiries are c/o Harrison Funeral Home, 345 Hertford Road, EN3 5JW, Angela Bailey (Jack's mother Yr3) 07887 687435 / 020 8819 3465.

I look forward to seeing as many parents as possible at our annual Fun Run today, followed by our Summer Fayre at the cricket pitch. Thank you to all the pupils for completing the sponsor forms as we are continuing to raise money so that the school can purchase more ipads for the pupils to use. I look forward to seeing the amazing fancy dress outfits and being able to report on this special event next week.

Thank you to Mrs. Doe for organising the final special secondary transfer meeting this week for the parents of Year 5/6 pupils. These meetings have been very useful in supporting both parents and pupils in preparing for that daunting transition. This is something that I am hoping we will be able to continue to run every year so that we are ensuring that both parents and pupils are well prepared for this next step in their lives.

We have now looked at all the completed e-safety surveys from the pupils in KS1 and 2, in the light of the information that we have seen, it is really important that we share this with parents. We will be sharing this information with parents on Tuesday 27 September at 2.30pm when we will be running an e-safety workshop which I would strongly recommend that all parents make every effort to attend. During this workshop, parents will get the opportunity to view many of the sites that their children are telling us that they are using and we will be discussing the risks that parents need to be aware of.

Have a relaxing and enjoyable weekend, best wishes.

Swam Nellie

This Weeks Attendance

<u>Class</u>	<u>Week</u>
Ruby	97.1%
Sapphire	95.0%
Diamond	95.2%
Emerald	92.4%

Overall 94.6%

Week Beginning

27 June 2016

Monday

8am Breakfast Club
11.30 **Swimming at Southbury Leisure Centre—Year 4/5**
Science Week

Tuesday

8am Breakfast Club
Running Club during school (Yr 3-6)
3.15-4.10 Art Club (KS2 by invitation)

Wednesday

8am Breakfast Club
Spanish Club— school time (Yr 2)
Keyboard Club—school time
Recorder Club—school time
3.15-4.10 NO Cricket Club (Yr 4 & 6)

Thursday

8am Breakfast Club
1.30 **Swimming at Southbury Leisure Centre—Years 2 & 3**
3.15-4.10 NO Netball Club (Yr 3-6)

Friday

8am Breakfast Club
Running Club during school (Yr2-6)
Poetry Performance at Kingsmead School (selected pupil from Diamond Class)
3.15-4.00 NO Rounders Club (Yr 5-6)
(Please note the finishing time)

Ruby Memories

This week in Ruby class the reception children have continued to make their 'personal targets'; Lucy and Lola have made boats and George has made a bird table. More targets to follow next week! In maths we have been looking at positioning; behind, next to, above etc. The children have enjoyed making their own treasure maps to support their use of positional language and have had lots of fun looking for treasure in the playground. The nursery children have been focusing on writing their names which is really

coming on. Thank you for supporting your child with their name writing when they come into the classroom, it really does help. They have also been busy baking and icing fairy cakes to share with their friends in Ruby class. We have begun to practise our songs ready for the Graduation Ceremony on Friday 15 July—please put the date in your diary.

Have a good weekend.

[Pat Creed](#)

Sapphire Tales

This week the Year 1 children have been taking their phonics test so well done to them for all their hard work. In literacy we have read the story of The Lighthouse Keepers lunch by Ronda & David Armitage. The children have enjoyed describing the story's main character Mr Grinling, who is 'As jolly as Father Christmas' and 'helpful, kind and never has a temper!' In maths we have had lots of fun estimating and measuring. The children have worked on length, weight and ca-

capacity using both non-standard as well as standard units of measure. We have also looked at how we use thermometers to measure temperature. In topic we have looked at seaside holidays in the past and the children were surprised to learn that people 'covered-up' on the beach many years ago!

Have a lovely weekend.

[Maria Piscitelli](#)

Diamond Delights

I'd like to say thank you to all the parents who dropped their children off on Wednesday for our poetry event. We had a lovely time at St Michael's and all of Diamond class behaved beautifully and were fantastic representatives for our school. We were also very proud of Evie, Sofia, Caven and Ewan who performed our class poem in front of other Year 4 classes from two different schools. They did so well, especially as they were the first group to perform, which is always nerve wracking! We also

got the opportunity to listen to other groups of children perform.

In class this week, the children have been planning and writing a book review about a story called Zagazoo, by Quentin Blake. In numeracy, we have been continuing with our topic on data handling, answering a range of questions on bar graphs, tallies and pictograms. The Year 4's have also been drawing and interpreting a line graph.

[Hannah Gallagher](#)

Emerald Echoes

This week in Emerald class we have been looking at creating a narrative based on the title 'The day I won a Gold Medal at the Rio 2016 Olympic Games'. The children have planned out some interesting stories which they will write up at the beginning of next week. In maths we

have been looking at creating graphs from our statistics and calculating the mean, median, mode and range. We now have only one more week left before we can move into our new classroom, so fingers crossed we should be in there a week on Monday. I hope you all have a relaxing weekend.

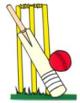
[Joe Law](#)

Sports News

This week saw the 'Borough District Sports.' After a very wet morning we arrived to a drying track and there were plenty of nerves flying around. All of the children performed admirably with a number of 3rd and 4th places against very stiff opposition. The stand out performance had to be Damian O'Connor in the Year

6 boys' hurdles, winning in very impressive fashion. He will now race in the finals that are on Wednesday. It will be a busy sporting week as the cricket team have a match on Monday and the rounders team are playing on Tuesday and Friday.

[Joe Law](#)



Year 6—ParentPay/Library books

We are fast approaching the end of the academic year, where Year 6 will be starting their new schools.

Please can you ensure that all services/trips on ParentPay are up to date and that all library books have been returned before the last week of the summer term.

Church Services

SUNDAY 26 JUNE—PATRONAL FESTIVAL

St. John's Church, Strayfield Road

10.30AM

Special music from the choir

Sunday School

Sparkling wine and refreshments afterwards

ALL ARE WELCOME

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.



Nursery Admissions—Sept 2016

- 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.

Nursery
places still
available



Date List for Summer Term 2016

JUNE		
Monday 27	Science Week	
JULY		
Friday 1	Poetry Performance at Kingsmead School (selected pupil from Diamond Class)	
Friday 8	Race Night at Enfield Cricket Club	
Monday 11	Bikeability—Yr 5/6 all week	
Tuesday 12	Disco—Reception, Year 1/2	3.15pm
Wednesday 13	Summer Concert—KS1 & KS2	2.30pm
Thursday 14	Disco—Yr 3/4/5/6	3.15pm
Friday 15	Graduation Concert—Reception Class	9.30am
	Nursery to attend school for the morning session	9.00-11.45
Monday 18	Sports' Day	1pm
Tuesday 19	Celebration Assembly—all parents welcome	9.10am
	Reserve Sports' Day	1pm
Wednesday 20	Leavers' Service	9.10am
	END OF SUMMER TERM	1.30pm

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

Friends' Notice

Fun Run & Fair

Sponsorship for the school

Thank you to all parents and members of staff at St. John's who have agreed to have a Foxtons Enfield Estate Agents board up at their home.
The boards will be taken down around the 27th June.

Date for the Diary

Friday 8th July - race night at the cricket club

REMINDER—Friends' Meetings

In the school hall, 6 July, All welcome.

MANY THANKS THE FRIENDS' OF ST. JOHN'S

Term Dates for 2016/2017

Summer term 2016

Starts Monday 11 April
Bank holiday Monday 2 May
Half term Monday 30 May to Friday 3 June
Ends Wednesday 20 July

Autumn term 2016

INSET DAY Friday 2 September
Starts Monday 6 September
Half Term Monday 24 October to Friday 28 October
Ends Wednesday 21 December

Spring term 2017

INSET DAY Wednesday 4 January
Starts Thursday 5 January
Half term Monday 13 to Friday 17 February
Ends Friday 31 March

Summer term 2017

Starts Tuesday 18 April
Bank holiday Monday 1 May
Half term Monday 29 May to Friday 2 June
Ends Friday 21 July

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