

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

St. John's C.E. Primary School

28 April 2017



HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

This week in assembly we have been discussing the playground rules and talking through what all staff expect to see if these rules are being adhered to. We also talked about the role of the school council and the importance of informing members of the school council about any areas or issues that they may want to be discussed at their weekly meetings. This has worked extremely well in how proactive the school council have been in assisting me in the entire organisation of lunchtime and in ensuring that pupils have a say in the menus this term.

For some time now it has been a problem with several pupils being collected late and having to wait in the Reception Area. As I am sure you can appreciate this makes it extremely difficult for the office staff to be able to continue with their work; supervising children and trying to run the school office at the same time. Having discussed this at length, we will now be charging parents if they collect their children after 3.20pm. This will come into force as and from the 2nd May, 2017.

I have continued to follow up with some pupils about the importance of wearing the correct school uniform including the appropriate footwear which does not include trainers, except for a Friday. This week I have spoken to several girls about ensuring that their hair is tied up when they arrive to school and remains like this throughout the day. We are always having visitors in our school and it is really important that our appearance is impeccable at all times. We pride ourselves at St. John's School at how smart our pupils look at all times and this is something that we are very keen to continue as it impacts on all areas of school life.

It is really encouraging to see that our overall attendance figure stands at 96.5% for both weeks. Keep this up.

Have a lovely, long, relaxing weekend.

Best wishes

Susan Notley
Headteacher

This Week's Attendance

<u>Class</u>	<u>Week</u>
Ruby	99.6%
Sapphire	94.7%
Diamond	96.4%
Emerald	94.8%

Overall 96.4%

Week Beginning 1 May 2017

Monday

BANK HOLIDAY

Tuesday

8am	Breakfast Club
3.15-4.10pm	NO Science Club (by invitation)
3.15-4.10pm	NO Art Club (by invitation)

Wednesday

8am	Breakfast Club
During School	Keyboard Club
During School	Recorder Club
3.15-4.10pm	Netball Club (Yr 3-6)

Thursday

8am	Breakfast Club
2.30-3.00pm	Swimming Yr 2 & 3
3.15-4.10pm	Dance Club (Yr3-6)

Friday

8am	Breakfast Club
3.15-4.10pm	Football Club (Yr 3-6)

Ruby Memories

It has been another busy week in Ruby class. We have been reading about the different adventures of 'Harry' from 'Harry and the Dinosaurs' and have used the stories as a stimulus for literacy, maths and design & make activities where the children have made some really interesting robots. In maths we have continued to focus on coin recognition of 1p, 2p, 5p, 10p. Please continue to support this at home, it really does help. Next week we are planning to test our entrepreneurial skills by making cookies, cakes and biscuits to sell for a few pence to give the children an opportunity of applying

what they have learnt in a real life situation - more details to follow! I also wanted to say how impressed I have been with the children's writing in their special homework books, thank you once again for your continued support, we really couldn't do this without you and it also helps with the transition and expectations in year one. Finally, we would like to welcome Amelia – Rose and her family to Ruby class and to St John's school.

Have a lovely long weekend.

Pat Creed

Sapphire Tales

This week we have been busy multiplying and dividing during maths. We have practised using arrays, number lines and beaded lines to solve worded problems. In literacy, we have planned an adventure story and begun writing our openings. In our geography lesson this week the children wrote all about visiting a sea-side town in England.

Please ensure swimming kits are in and P.E. Kits are labelled clearly for all children.

Have a lovely weekend.

Maria Piscitelli

Diamond Delights

In Diamond class this week we have started our new art topic all about the sea. The children had a go at creating a line drawing of a fish using charcoal and sketching pencils. It was a really lovely afternoon and the children enjoyed creating different patterns and textures on their fish. Next week, we will be creating a sea collage. I have told the children that it would be great if they could bring in any old magazines or anything related with the sea that could be added to their collage. In literacy, the children have been publish-

ing their balanced arguments in their big write books. In numeracy, we have been identifying and describing 3D shapes as well as making models using polydron and paper nets.

Have a lovely bank holiday weekend!

Hannah Gallagher

Emerald Echoes

This week in Emerald class we have been looking at finding missing co-ordinates on different shapes. In literacy we have started looking at chronological reports and are ready to write a report based on Usain Bolt winning the mens 200 metres Olympic final. On Thursday we had a pleasant afternoon down at the churchyard sketching our landscapes ready for painting next week. Please could you make sure that your child is completing all of the homework tasks as some children are not. I hope you have a relaxing long weekend.

Joe Law

NOTICES

Enfield Music Service Open Day

Saturday 6th May, 9.15am-12.30pm

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.

Dance Festival DVDs

If your child would like to order an Enfield Schools' Dance Festival 2017 Souvenir DVD, priced £11, please complete an order form, which you can get from the school office and bring in the payment in cash or cheques to be made payable to 'St. John's CE Primary School'.

The deadline is Tuesday 2 May 2017



School Dinners / Packed Lunch

May we remind parents that if your child decides to change from either school dinners or packed lunch, that half a terms notice needs to be given.



Sports News

Last night we played in the schools football cup against Freezywater St. George's. After a very competitive game we finished up on the losing side 3-1. Well done to Shai Morgan for scoring and to Kaela Grant-Ntabagara for being nominated player of the match, by their coach.



Happy Bags

Wednesday 17 May

To raise funds for St. John's.

Please donate clean, unwanted clothes, shoes, bed linen and towels.



To find out more information please go to www.happyschoolbag.co.uk.

Please bring in your Happy Bags before Wednesday 17 May.

Thank you.

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 Summer Term 2017

MAY		
Monday 1	BANK HOLIDAY	
Tuesday 9	Cuffley Camp—Diamond Class	
Wednesday 17	Happy Bags collection (collection of unwanted clothes etc) to raise funds for the school	11am
Thursday 25	Ascension Service in St. John' Church	2.45pm
Monday 29—2 June	Half Term	
JUNE		
Thursday 22	French Trip—Diamond & Emerald Class	
Friday 23	INSET DAY	
JULY		
Wednesday 5	Outdoor Learning at Forty Hall—Year 6	9.30am
Tuesday 11	Cuffley Camp—Sapphire Class	
Wednesday 19	School Concert in St. John's Church—KS1 & KS2	
Friday 21	Leavers' Service at St. John's Church	
Friday 21	End of Summer Term	1.30pm

Term Dates for 2017/2018

Summer Term 2017		Spring 2018	
Starts	Tuesday 18 April	INSET DAY	Friday 5 January
Bank holiday	Monday 1 May	Starts	Monday 8 January
Half term	Monday 29 May to Friday 2 June	Half term	Monday 12 February to Friday 16 February
INSET DAY	FRIDAY 23 June	Ends (1.30pm)	Thursday 29 March
Ends (1.30pm)	Friday 21 July		

Autumn Term 2017	
INSET DAY	Monday 4 September
INSET DAY	Tuesday 5 September
Starts	Wednesday 6 September
Half term	Monday 23 October to Friday 27 October
Ends (1.30pm)	Thursday 21 December

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