

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

St. John's C.E. Primary School

31 March 2017



HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

As always the last week of term is extremely busy but at the same time a great celebration of everything that has been achieved throughout the term. Our second Spring Concert at St. John's Church was absolutely delightful, I was in total awe of the standard of singing and the range of instruments that our pupils are able to play so skilfully.

Thank you so much to all the pupils who have created amazing master pieces for our Easter competition. Every year this seems to continue to develop and the creations seem to constantly amaze everyone who passes by in the Reception Area. We are delighted to announce the following winners:

Ruby Class: Edie Robinson



Sapphire Class: Arjan Asllani

Diamond Class: Nicholas Kurtycz

Emerald Class: Peter BrookWalker

The winner of the Easter Bonnet: Alexia Karakassis



It was lovely to see so many parents attending our very important parents' meetings this week and I really appreciate the effort that parents made in ensuring alternative childcare and filling out our questionnaires. If you have been unable to make your appointment, please make every effort to meet with the class teacher in arranging another more convenient time. We are also aiming for every parent to complete both questionnaires so please ensure that you have posted them in our box at the Reception Area. After Easter we will be informing you of the outcome of this feedback and using the information from the e-safety questionnaire to inform future training and support for both pupils and parents.

After Easter we will continue to run our extensive clubs with a few changes. The Dance Club is now open to everyone from Yr.3 – 6, Running Club will be every Friday at lunchtime and Yr. 2 pupils are very welcome to attend. The Football Club will now be run by Ultra-Sport so there will be a small charge for this. Please ensure that you get your completed forms back as soon as possible as all clubs will commence on the second week back.

Have a lovely Easter holiday and hope you enjoy all your delicious eggs.

Best wishes

Susan Notley
Headteacher

Courtesy Cup

Ruby Class

Phoenix Weiland-Hoyes

Sapphire Class

William Lawlor

Diamond Class

Gideon Ofori



Emerald Class

James Portmann

Week Beginning 17 April 2017

Monday

BANK HOLIDAY

Tuesday

8am

Breakfast Club

Wednesday

8am

Breakfast Club

During School

Keyboard Club

During School

Recorder Club

Thursday

8am

Breakfast Club

Friday

8am

Breakfast Club

Ruby Memories

It was a pleasure to meet with you all at the consultation evenings to discuss your children's progress, I am sure you are all very proud of your children as we are. Thank you once again for your continued support it really does help. This week we have been looking at the Easter Story and the significance of Easter within the church calendar. We would also like to thank Alexia's grandmother who came to talk to the nursery about the celebrations and traditions of the Greek Easter. Continuing the theme of Easter - in maths we have been looking at pattern and have made some fantastic patterns on our Easter eggs and have also been using 2D shapes to make Easter baskets which I am sure

will be filled with some special treats after our Easter Egg hunt today!

Just a reminder to please send in the children's named water bottles every day; as the weather is getting warmer it encourages the children's own independence if they can access a drink when they need it.

We have had a very busy term and I am sure all the children are looking forward to the Easter break and lots of Easter eggs!

Have a lovely Easter

Pat Creed

Sapphire Tales

Thank you to everyone who attended parent consultation evenings earlier this week. It was so lovely to share with you that the children are making such good progress and are happy and settled in our class. We've had a busy week with instructional writing in literacy and rotational investigations in maths!

P.E. Kits have been returned home for washing so please do check that every item both still fits your child and is properly labelled.

Have a lovely Easter.

Maria Piscitelli

Diamond Delights

Our final week of the spring term has been very exciting! The children have been busy creating play scripts in literacy based on a scene from the book, 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe'. The story also served as our text for our shared reading sessions throughout the week. In numeracy, we have been revising 2D shapes and finding lines of symmetry. We have also been reflecting shapes across a mirror line and the class have completed symmetrical patterns. The chil-

dren have also been creating their Easter cards and we used our computing lesson this week to write a lovely message for the inside of the cards!

Thank you to all parents who came to the meetings this week. It was really lovely to discuss your child's progress and all the hard work they have done!

I hope you have a relaxing Easter break!

Hannah Gallagher

Emerald Echoes

This week in Emerald class we have been looking at ratio and proportion. Originally the children found the concept a little bit tricky but throughout the week have improved and really started to think logically.

In literacy we completed a non-chronological report on their chosen European country. It is with great sadness that Miss Hill is leaving Emerald Class, we have enjoyed

everything that you have done for us over the course of this year and we will miss you. We hope everybody has a relaxing Easter break and comes back ready for an action-packed summer term.

Joe Law & Claire Hill

NOTICES



Dance Club—Millfield Theatre

A big well done to our amazing dancers, who performed at the Millfield Theatre on Thursday afternoon in the Dance Festival. The children have practised hard in dance club and did a fantastic performance. Thank you to Mrs Leggett for the amazing face paints.

Cuffley Camp—Sapphire Class

Cuffley Camp—Sapphire Class needs to be re-arranged due to SATS week. Apologies for any disruption, we will inform you of the new date, as soon as possible.

After School Clubs

Multi Sports, Running Club, Science Club, Netball Club, Dance Club and Football Club all start back the w/c 24 April 2017.



Breakfast Club Increase

After the Easter holidays, Breakfast Club is increasing from £2.50 to £3.50 per session.



We have not increased our charges since January 2012, however because of the popularity, we might have to employ extra staff to supervise the children and obviously there has been an increase in food prices over the last five years.

Start: 8.00am

Sports News

Last Friday afternoon the netball team played in The Enfield Borough netball tournament. We played 4 games in a very tough league with only the winners going through to the semi-finals. In our first game we comprehensively beat St. Georges 7-0 and against a stronger Bush Hill Park came through 4-1. Our next game was against a very strong and competitive Brettenham school, who usually win the whole tournament, and after a very closely fought game ended up losing 4-3. To their credit the girls bounced back and won against Eversley 11-0 in the final game, but unfortunately finished second in the league so didn't qualify for the final stages.. Well done to the whole netball team who have been fantastic throughout the year, winning the league, and always playing to the best of their ability. You are a credit to St. John's.



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.



Drop in Clinic to see the School Nurse

The School Nurse is hosting a Drop in Clinic at St. John's on **Monday 24 April from 9am to 10am.**

This is a chance for parents/carers to discuss any medial or family issues you may have.



Palm Sunday Service

At 10am we are meeting at St. John's Church and processing with a pony from St. John's, through Hillyfields up to St. Luke's Church where the service is being held. All are welcome.



Date List for Summer Term 2017



APRIL		
Tuesday 18	Summer Term starts	8.45am
Friday 21	Poetry Sale - books for sale at school until Thursday 27 April	
Monday 24	Drop-In Clinic for parents to see the School Nurse (no appointment necessary)	9.00-10.00am
Tuesday 25	Class & Team photographs	
Wednesday 26	New Nursery parents and pupils for September to visit Ruby Class	12.30pm
MAY		
Monday 1	BANK HOLIDAY	
Thursday 4	Swimming for Year 2 & 3 commences for the Summer Term	
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
Friday 26	End of Half Term	3.15pm
JUNE		
Thursday 22	French Trip—Diamond & Emerald Class	
Friday 23	INSET DAY	
JULY		
Wednesday 5	Outdoor Learning at Forty Hall—Year 6	9.30am
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.