

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

St. John's C.E. Primary School

9 June 2017



HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

Firstly, can I apologise for not being able to have the newsletter ready for Friday and was extremely encouraging that so many parents were asking for the newsletter. I am sure by now everyone knows about the very eventful week that we had at St. John's School last week. Thank you to all our parents for being so supportive and for the very nice comments that so many of you expressed to Ofsted, it is really appreciated. Ofsted saw and commented so positively on a whole range of things from learning, teaching, behaviour, enrichment activities and many more which we should be extremely proud of. We will now have to wait some time before the report is published as there are many stages that it will have to go through to be quality assured before I will be able to share the outcomes with you.

We also spent all our assembly time, discussing, explaining and helping the pupils to come to terms with and understand another horrendous atrocity that occurred on London Bridge on Saturday the 3rd June. On Tuesday morning we held the honorary one minute silence for all members of our community to show our respect and sympathy for all those people who lost their lives, were injured or effected in any way by this terrible event.

Today we held a meeting for all parents about the French Trip that will take place on the 22nd June. A copy of the itinerary was discussed, if any parent would like a copy of this, please feel free to contact the school office. We need to have passports and the health card brought into school as soon as possible please. There will be no swimming on this day for the Year 2 pupils.

We are now preparing for the pupils to sing at Father Peter's induction in St Luke's church on Monday the 26th June at 7.30pm. We would really like all our pupils in both KS1 and 2 to be present at this service and a letter will follow very shortly about this.

Have a lovely week.

Susan Notley
Headteacher

This Week's Attendance

<u>Class</u>	<u>Week</u>
Ruby	93.2%
Sapphire	93.3%
Diamond	96.1%
Emerald	97.4%
Overall	95%

Week Beginning 12 June 2017

Monday

8am	Breakfast Club
3.15-4.10pm	Multi Sports (Reception, Yr 1, 2 & 3)

Tuesday

8am	Breakfast Club
3.15-4.10pm	Science 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 was lovely to see the children back at school after the half term holiday, it doesn't seem possible that we are nearly at the end of the school year and well done to all of you for leaving your grown up at the gate and coming into the playground all by yourself. It has been a very busy week, the children have worked very hard and we are very proud of them. We have introduced our new seaside role play area outside which the children are really enjoying even though it has not been seaside weather! Next week we shall be turning the home corner into a seaside café so we will really be ready for summer to begin. The reception children have

now completed writing their personal targets which we will be beginning next week. In maths the children have been carrying out practical investigations into 'takeaway' problems and some of them have been writing their own number sentences to support this. Please remember to continue using the 'WOW' sheets as we love to share what the children are doing at home.

Have a great weekend.

Pat Creed

Sapphire Tales

As you all know, this has been my first week at St John's Primary School. I have spent time with the children and I have enjoyed learning about their interests. I have been so impressed with how well the children have responded to the transition and I look forward to working with them for the rest of this term.

This week in Maths, we have focused on consolidating addition and subtraction. We have practised adding and subtracting two two-digit numbers using a hundred square. We have also recapped many different strategies (inverse, an empty number line, adding the tens and then the ones etc) to help us find missing numbers within a calculation. We have tried very hard this week!

In literacy, we have enjoyed writing a recount about what we did over the half-term holidays! We have looked at how we can plan what we want to write using short, snappy notes. We have then taken our notes and tried really hard to write each section in as much detail as possible focusing on full stops and capital letters as well as their own individual writing targets! Again, we have tried really hard with our recounts this week!

I hope you all have a lovely weekend,

James Stringer

Diamond Delights

In Diamond class this week, we have been reading and writing biographies based on King Henry VIII. Our grammar focus has been on paragraphing and prefixes. In numeracy, we have been working on reading analogue clock times. A lot of children can now read the time to 1 minute and 5 minutes. The children have also been solving a range of time worded problems. In history, we have started our new topic on children in the past. We have been comparing children's lives today

with children from the past.

Have a lovely weekend!

Hannah Gallagher

Emerald Echoes

This week in literacy we have been looking at the topic of bullying and the children have completed a poster and piece of informative writing based upon this. I was really pleased with their reflections and solutions if any problems arise. In maths we have looked at a range of things to do with numbers including ratio and proportion, using the inverse and working with

algebra. In design and technology, we have started our topic based on shelters and looked at a full range of ideas so that we can formulate a plan for later in the term.

I hope you have a relaxing weekend.

Joe Law

NOTICES

ParentPay



Please check your ParentPay is up to date.

Year 6—As we are fast approaching the end of their Primary Years, please ensure ParentPay is finalised.

Lost Property



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

Wet Play Games

If you have any spare board games for when the children are inside at Playtime because of the rain, it would be greatly appreciated.



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.



Fundraisers for the Lychgate

After school on **Wednesday 21 June** there will be a bouncy castle with a slide, face painting, tattoos, refreshments and nibbles to raise funds to restore the Lychgate at St. John's Church.



ALL WELCOME



Induction of Father Peter

On 26 June in St. Luke's Church is Father Peter's Induction at 7.30pm.

ALL WELCOME



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

JUNE		
Wednesday 21	Fundraiser for the Lychgate at St. John's Church	After school
Thursday 22	French Trip—Diamond & Emerald Class	
Friday 23	INSET DAY	
Monday 26	Induction of Father Peter in St. Luke's Church	7.30pm
JULY		
Wednesday 5	Outdoor Learning at Forty Hall—Year 6	9.30am
Friday 7	Art Exhibition in the Dugdale Centre—Diamond Class	All day
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.