

# HEADTEACHER'S NEWS SUMMARY NEWSLETTER



## Shine like stars

***'Your light must shine before people, so that they will see the good things you do and praise your Father in heaven.' Matthew 5:16***

Last week we certainly showed our church community of St. John and St. Luke that we 'shine like stars' when we fundraise at this school. I was so proud of all members of the Eco-Committee for working so hard at selling the raffle tickets and for their wonderful organisation skills in running the cake sale. The parish are extremely grateful for all the support that we have given the church and we too appreciate how this is reciprocated by the parish community in allowing us to use the beautiful church of St. John. Thank you to all the parents who donated so many cakes, sweets and biscuits – we even had enough to send to the May Fayre on Saturday as well.

So far, we have raised a total of £90 from the raffle and the cake sale made £210 which is fantastic. We are keeping the donate tab open on the website as there are a lot of parents who haven't donated to the fundraising event on Friday. We would really appreciate everybody making a real effort to support as the church community is very important to St. John's School.

Our first week back after Half-term will be Diversity Week. This week is a celebration of LGBT+ equality in education. As part of School Diversity Week 2023, Rainbow Friday will take place on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June. It is a non-uniform day where staff and pupils can wear rainbow clothes or colours of the Pride progress flag. Alongside celebrating how we are all individual and unique, we will be learning about inspirational athletes and artists from the LGBTQ+ community. We look forward to sharing our artwork inspired by them in our Friday assembly.

Please take note of the following dates of events for after Half-term :

### **29/5—2/6 HALF-TERM**

- 5/6 Diversity Week & KS1/Reception Class visiting Discover Centre at Stratford
- 9/6 France Trip meeting for KS2 2.30pm
- 11/6 Mother Mitzi's Institution at St. Luke's Church 6.00pm
- 13/6 Diamond Class Collective Worship (parents welcome to attend) 2.30pm
- 13/6 KS2 District sports at Lea Valley
- 14/6 Sapphire Class Collective Worship (parents welcome to attend) 2.30pm
- 15/6 Emerald Class Collective Worship (parents welcome to attend) 9.00am
- 15/6 Ruby Class Collective Worship (parents invited to attend) 2.30pm
- 18/6 Mother Mitzi's first service at St. Luke's Church 10.00am
- 19/6 Pathways Assembly (all parents welcome)
- 21/6 Service at St. John's Church to launch our new Vision Statement (all parents welcome)
- 21/6 Launch of our new Vision Statement 2.00pm
- 29/6 KS2 Day trip to France

### **30/6 INSET DAY**

Wishing you a lovely Half-term enjoying the beautiful sunshine hopefully!

Best wishes,

Mrs. Notley



**Week Beginning Monday 5 June 2023**

**Monday**

**NO Nursery Class today**

8.00am Breakfast Club

**8.30am Discover Centre visit Reception & Sapphire Class**

During School Enfield Music Violin Lessons start for pupils who have enrolled

3.00-4.00pm Netball Club (KS2)

3.00-4.00pm Arts & Crafts (Recep, Sapphire Class)

**Tuesday**

8.00am Breakfast Club

3.00-4.00pm Football Club (KS2)

3.00-4.00pm Yoga Club (Recep, Year 1, 2 & 3)

**Wednesday**

8.00am Breakfast Club

During school Keyboard

During school Recorder

3.00-4.00pm Football Club (Recep, Sapphire Class)

3.00-4.00pm Choir Club (KS2 & Year 2)

**Thursday**

8.00am Breakfast Club

3.00-4.00pm Tennis Club (KS2)

3.00-4.00pm Activities Club (Recep, Sapphire Class)

**Friday**

8.00am Breakfast Club

8.00am Rugby Club (KS2)

**2.30pm French Trip meeting for Parents (KS2)**

**This Week's Attendance**

<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>Week</u></b>
Ruby	96.3%
Sapphire	93.6%
Diamond	90%
Emerald	96.5%
Overall	94.1%

**SUMMER 2023**

Starts	Monday 17 April
Half-term	Monday 29 May to Friday 2 June
Ends (1.00pm)	Friday 21 July
INSET DAY	Friday 30 June
Bank Holiday	Monday 1 May, 8 May & Monday 29 May

**AUTUMN 2023**

Starts	Monday 4 September
Half-term	Monday 23 October to Friday 27 October
Ends (1.00pm)	Wednesday 20 December
INSET DAY	Friday 1 September
INSET DAY	Monday 30 October
INSET DAY	Friday 24 November

**SPRING 2024**

Starts	Monday 8 January
Half-term	Monday 12 February to Friday 16 February
Ends (1.00pm)	Thursday 28 March
INSET DAY	Monday 19 February

# NOTICES



## Our New Vicar

Mother Mitzi's institution will take place at St. Luke's Church on Sunday the 11<sup>th</sup> June at 6pm and her first service as our new Vicar will be the following Sunday 18th June 10.00 at St Luke's.

We are delighted that our School Choir have been invited to sing at Mother Mitzi's institution.

## Diversity Week

After Half-term we are celebrating diversity week. Alongside celebrating how we are all individual and unique, we will be learning about inspirational athletes and artists from the LGBTQ+ community. We look forward to sharing our artwork inspired by them in our Friday assembly.

## ParentPay

Please ensure that all contributions have been made and if applicable School dinners and Breakfast Club in credit.

## School Uniform

This can be purchased from Smiths Schoolwear, 155-157 Lancaster Rd, Enfield EN2 0JN.

If you would like to purchase a school tie or water bottle, this can be purchased from the ParentPay shop, where the link is located on our homepage of the school website or please use the link below.

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Uniform/Default.aspx?shopid=783>

## Attendance for the week

**EMERALD CLASS** have the highest attendance this week and will be allowed to come into school in non-uniform on Monday 5 June in recognition for their achievement this week for the most attendance this week.

## Breakfast Club and School Dinners

Please may we remind parents that Breakfast Club and School Dinners need to be in credit.

Please pay weekly, monthly or termly so your child's account is always in credit.

## School Dinner change

As you are aware our Caterer has changed to Stir Foods. From 5 June meals will cost £3.42 per day. Unfortunately, the price has gone up due to our school being small and it being cost effective for the new caterers. Payments for parents will only be for children in Year 3, 4, 5 & 6.

Please ensure accounts are in credit.

## St. John's Church Services

Children's Service at St John's Church on the 2nd Sunday of every month at 9:00am.

Everyone is welcome to attend and we plan to have music, singing, craft and a story.

We welcome parents participation and ideas for future services.



## RUBY CLASS

This week in Ruby Class we have focussed on the core text *Whatever Next!* by Jill Murphy. We started off our week by visiting Enfield Town Library, the children had a fantastic morning and enjoyed the bus ride there too! We would recommend that you go with your family and see the fantastic books that they have on offer. In maths, we are really focussing on our number formation.

We have been outside in the sunshine using chalk to write numbers up to 20 – this is a fantastic way of developing their gross motor control and practising the skill of number formation too. In writing, we have been busy writing a recount of our trip to the Library. Some children even challenged themselves to write three sentences independently! I have been incredibly impressed by their focus and attitude towards learning.

On the first Monday back after Half-term we have our trip to Discover Centre. A reminder that we have an early start that day and we will be leaving promptly at 8:45am. You will also need to provide a packed lunch and a drink. Any questions please speak to myself or Miss. Dall'Aglio.

Mrs Gatward & Ms Dall'Aglio [lucy.gatward@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk](mailto:lucy.gatward@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk)

## SAPPHIRE CLASS

It doesn't seem possible that we are coming to the end of another Half-term of the school year! We have had a busy last two weeks in Sapphire class; the year two children have been working hard to complete their assessments; the results of which will inform our planning for the next Half-term to help support the children to be Year 3 ready! Very well done everyone, we are so proud of you all.

In maths this week all the children have been focusing on dividing and sharing which has been quite challenging; we have looked at different practical ways of supporting division by sharing out counters, bricks and even biscuits! If you could also look for these opportunities at home that would be great. We have completed our geography topic at looking at the United Kingdom which has included looking at the cities and coastal regions and the countryside. If you are out and about in the UK during the Half-term we would really appreciate it if you could bring in a postcard or any other memorabilia to add to our class display, many thanks.

Our first day back at school is our trip to the Discover Centre in Stratford so just a few reminders- children to wear school uniform, have a packed lunch (with drink) and to be at school at 8.30 a.m. as we must leave by 8.45 a.m. It's a lovely trip and I am sure we are all going to have a great day.

Have a fantastic Half-term break Sapphire Class, you all deserve it. Fingers crossed it stays sunny!

Mrs Creed, Mrs. Hargate, and Mrs. Hocyk [pat.creed@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk](mailto:pat.creed@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk)

## DIAMOND CLASS

Another fantastic half term!

**English** – The children have finished writing a very informative biography about the queen of Iceni, Boudica. They have used skilful writing tools and learnt so much about the queen warrior.

**Maths** – The children have been learning about statistics and bar charts. They have had various interesting practical sessions collecting data for their work.

\*Times tables mastery is pertinent across all Maths' units. Please ensure more regular practice is achieved. Please do get in touch with Mr. Law or Ms. Chebbi if you are unsure of the mathematical methods your child is learning. We are here to help!

**Religious Education** – Hinduism is the focus of this unit. We had numerous opportunities throughout the curriculum learning about the Hindu way of life, which is based on the belief that the Supreme God, Brahman, is everywhere. We have finished our unit by exploring the concept of pilgrimage for Hinduism at the river Ganges.

In **PSHE**, managing relationships is the focus of this unit. The focus in **Geography. Art project:** Creating acrylic canvas painting inspired by Van Gogh's 'The starry Night' as an illustration project for our school's motto and vision statement.

Have a great holiday dear Diamond

Ms Chebbi & Miss Bates [asma.chebbi@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk](mailto:asma.chebbi@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk)

## EMERALD CLASS

WOW, what a super busy week to end the Half-term. On Monday we had an excellent visit to the mosque in Ponders End where the Imam gave us a very informative talk about what happens at a mosque and answered a range of questions we had worked on. We also had the opportunity to watch one of the prayer sessions which was extremely interesting. The children also had a great time catching the bus and 'sitting upstairs' on the double decker. Thank also to Miss Chebbi for organizing all of this.

On Tuesday morning the children participated in a robotics workshop where they had to construct their own robot and then were allowed to play with it. They had great fun after a slow start on the making side of things; it reminded me somewhat of the old TV show Robot Wars, as they were challenging each other with duels.

Wednesday was reasonably normal, but Thursday afternoon saw us have a great chat with two ambassadors for Transport for London who spoke to the children about being safe when using London Transport.

Today we have enjoyed a great fun morning running around Hillyfields letting off steam as the perfect way to finish off an extremely hectic Half-term .

Please have a great break, the children only have a little bit of reading to work on but apart from this I really want them to have a relaxing and fun break. ENJOY.

Mr Law & Miss Anderson [joe.law@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk](mailto:joe.law@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk)

<b>Date List for Summer Term 2023</b>		
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<b>JULY</b>		
5/7	Year 5 Science Fair	
10/7	KS2 Music Festival at Carterhatch	
12/7	EYFS & KS1 Summer Concert	2.00pm
14/7	KS2 Hillyfields Trip	
18/7	Sports' Day	1.00pm
19/7	KS2 Summer Concert	2.00pm
20/7	Reception Graduation Ceremony at St. John's Church	9.30am
20/7	Staff vs Year 6 rounders match	3.00pm
<b>20/7</b>	<b>Nursery last day of Summer Term</b>	
21/7	Leavers' Service in St. John's Church	9.15am
<b>21/7</b>	<b>End of Summer Term</b>	<b>1.00pm</b>