



# FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

## HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

### Her Majesty the Queen's Platinum Jubilee

On 6th February this year Her Majesty the Queen became the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee, marking 70 years of service to the people of the United Kingdom, the Realms and the Commonwealth. To celebrate this unprecedented anniversary, St. John's School are hosting an art competition across the school being organised by the School Council and on Friday the 27<sup>th</sup> May we are having a special party for the whole school in the afternoon in Mr. Harold's field. On this day everyone needs to come to school dressed in red, white and blue and to bring their own party food in a cool box along with a drink for the picnic at the end of the day. We are really looking forward to celebrating this unique occasion together as a school community.

Next Wednesday at 2.15pm we will be holding our annual Ascension Service in St. John's Church and we are delighted to be in the position again to invite parents to this service. Children who are not in clubs will be able to go home after the service, otherwise children in clubs will be walked back to school and collected at 4pm.

On Monday at 2.30pm we will be holding a meeting for all parents of pupils who are attending the residential at Manor Adventure in Shropshire after half-term. Please make every effort to attend this very important meeting and please ensure that you have also returned the necessary paperwork as well.

Have a lovely weekend—hopefully enjoying the sunshine!

Best wishes,

Susan Notley

### This Week's Attendance

<u>Class</u>	<u>Week</u>
Ruby	98.8%
Sapphire	93.3%
Diamond	95.9%
Emerald	96.5%
Overall	96.1%

### Week Beginning Monday 23 May 2022

#### Monday

8am	Breakfast Club
2.30pm	Meeting about our school journey to Manor Adventure for parents
3.00-4.00pm	Emerald & Diamond Netball Club
3.00-4.00pm	Reception & Sapphire Arts & Crafts

#### Tuesday

8am	Breakfast Club
3.00-4.00pm	Reception & Sapphire Football Club
3.00-4.00pm	Yoga Club (Recep, Year 1, 2 & 3)

#### Wednesday

8am	Breakfast Club
During school	Keyboard
During school	Recorder
2.15pm	Ascension Service at St Johns Church
3.00-4.00pm	Emerald & Diamond Football Club
3.00-4.00pm	Year 2 Science Club
3.00-4.00pm	Year 2 to Year 6 Choir Club

#### Thursday

8am	Breakfast Club
3.00-4.00pm	Emerald & Diamond Tennis Club
3.00-4.00pm	Reception & Sapphire Activities

#### Friday

<u>Platinum Jubilee Celebration for the whole school</u>	
8.00-8.45am	Emerald & Diamond Tag Rugby at Hilly fields
11.45pm	Running Club for KS2



## **SAD NEWS FOR ST. JOHN'S**

It is with great sadness that I must inform you that Gary Hutchby, our previous site manager passed away last Sunday week. Since Mr. Hutchby retired from St. John's School in December 2020, he has not been very well, being diagnosed with cancer he has had to endure very severe treatment and has suffered greatly because of this.

It is heartbreaking to think that after all his many years of hard work, he had very little time to enjoy his retirement and quality time with his precious family that were so dear to him. This is certainly not what Mr. Hutchby deserved given his dedicated approach to the work that he carried out at this school. He always enjoyed being part of the staff here and was willing to do whatever was required of him especially making St. John's School a special place for all the pupils.

On a personal note, it was a real pleasure to work with Mr. Hutchby over the years, I could always rely on him carrying out his duties to the highest of standards. He was passionate about the health and safety of all aspects of the school and something that both I and the governors were grateful for.

I am sure you will join with me in offering our sincere condolences to his wife and family as they mourn the loss of a very special person. The funeral will take place next Friday at 2pm where representatives from our school will attend to pay our respects.

If you would like to send any messages for the family, please hand them in at school and we will ensure that they are delivered. We will be telling the pupils today and they will be making some cards for the family.

We are looking at dedicating a special bench to Mr. Hutchby in the entrance area, if you would like to donate towards the purchase of this, please go to ParentPay and donate on the Donation to St John's.

Well done to the following pupils for being awarded these special certificates for this week:

### **Justice Certificates**

Ruby Class: Liam

Sapphire Class: Tommy

Diamond Class: Olivia

Emerald Class: Tristan

### **Star Writer Certificates**

Ruby Class: Alexander

Sapphire Class: Petar

Diamond Class: Murat

Emerald Class: Roshan

### **Gold Star Certificates**

Ruby Class: All of Ruby Class

Sapphire Class: Conor & Costa

Diamond Class: Hugo & Whole of Diamond

Emerald Class: Natasha & Harry

## **TO PARENTS—Art Competition**

This week is very important as we (the school council) are hosting an art competition! This competition is marking the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, meaning she has been on the throne for 70 years. The task is to draw a picture of the Queen. It could be just her face or her whole body. Parents, please remind your child that she/he should draw or paint a picture of Queen Elizabeth. On 23 May, we will be collecting these pictures and voting on who deserves to be the winner. Thank you Alicia & Lucia

## RUBY CLASS

This week we have been busy planting our vegetables outside in our 'trug'. We are hoping for a bumper crop of strawberries, tomatoes, corn and potatoes this year! We have also sown some assorted flower seeds; it is always very exciting to find out which type of flowers are going to appear. To support our topic of growing, the children have also planted runner beans in cotton wool and have been fascinated to see how the beans have started to sprout, they will be bringing their bean home next week so they can continue to grow them at home. The children were also able to identify the link with the story of 'Jack and the Beanstalk' which we have been reading.

In Maths we have continued to identify 1p, 2p, 5p and 10p coins and have begun to recognise how many 1p there are in each of the coins. To support this we will be holding a 'pop up' bakers shop on Tuesday afternoon at 2.30 p.m. in the playground which we would like to invite you to. (The children will be making cakes and decorating biscuits to sell in the shop.) Please could you send in 10 x 1p coins in a named envelope on Tuesday morning. When you collect the children at 2.30 p.m. they will be able to go to the 'pop up' shop to spend their 10p with you which will really support their learning in a practical way. Many thanks for your support.

Just to finish by saying how proud Ms. Dall'Aglio and I are of all the children being so kind and welcoming when we held our open afternoons for the new children who will be joining us in Ruby class in September - very well done everyone.

Have a lovely weekend

Pat Creed, Elena Dall'Aglio [pat.creed@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk](mailto:pat.creed@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk)

## SAPPHIRE CLASS

I cannot believe this is our last newsletter before our final half term of the year! What a fantastic six weeks it has been and the time has flown by. All children in Sapphire class have impressed me with their effort, focus and attitude towards learning.

Year 2 have completed their assessments and have shown phenomenal resilience throughout; each child has tried their hardest in all areas. So I just wanted to say a huge well done to them!

We have covered a multitude of subjects over the past 6 weeks including naming the 5 oceans and the 7 continents – hopefully this is something they feel confident on now. We have explored Christianity further and this week discussed what a neighbour is. They wrote thoughtful thank you cards to somebody who has helped them inspired by the parable of the Good Samaritan. We have also consolidated our session with the artist and continued to learn about colour mixing inspired by Hundertwasser. They painted on the acetate to produce a really striking piece of artwork.

I wish you all a fantastic break for next week and look forward to hearing about your adventures when we come back!

Mrs. Gatward, Mrs. Hargate, Miss. Bates and Miss. Hocyk [lucy.gatward@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk](mailto:lucy.gatward@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk)

## **DIAMOND CLASS**

This week, Diamond Class have been hard at work learning all about play scripts and they have even tried their hand at writing their own. In mathematics, the children have been learning all about different angles, using protractors and classifying them as either obtuse, acute or right angles. In Diamond's art lessons, the children have produced some wonderful pieces of art that we have been continuing on from the visiting artist a few weeks ago. The children were using art pieces by Anselm Kiefer as inspiration for their own colourful, flowery landscapes. In science, the children conducted the 'Great Ramp' experiment where they were demonstrating the effects of gravity and friction on different objects. The children really enjoyed this activity and it was a great excuse to get outside in the sunshine and do some hands-on science. In RE, the children have been continuing to learn all about Buddhism and they are now expanding their critical thinking minds and comparing it to other religions. In history, Diamond Class have been learning a great deal about British culture and this weeks focus has been on the creation of NHS, and how crucial this service has been over the last 75 years. Well done for all your hard work Diamond Class!

Jack Larkin and Asma Chebbi

## **EMERALD CLASS**

Another week gone in the blink of an eye. In maths this week we have been looking at statistics and creating a range of bar charts, line graphs and pie charts. The children have gathered a range of data that interested them and then presented it in a graph; these included most popular surnames, who has the most Tik Tok followers, Premier League top scorers and spelling test marks throughout the year. Some of the graphs they have produced are excellent, very well presented and precise. In English the children have been writing biographies about Margaret Thatcher, I was extremely impressed with the research and knowledge they displayed. In science we looked at micro-organisms and the five different types. We then set up an experiment to test what conditions micro-organisms grow the best in and the worst. I am not sure if we are looking forward to seeing what are results are over the coming weeks. Please remember there is a meeting on Monday afternoon at 2:30pm regarding Manor Adventure where I will be going through the finer details and hopefully answering any questions.

I hope you have a relaxing weekend and the sun shines.

Joe Law and Jack Larkin

### **SUMMER 2022**

Starts	Tuesday 19 April
Half-term	Monday 30 May—Friday 3 June
Ends (1.00pm)	Friday 22 July
INSET DAY	Friday 1 July
Bank Holiday	Monday 2 May & Monday 30 May

### **SPRING 2023**

Starts	Wednesday 4 January
Half-term	Monday 13 February—Friday 17 February
Ends (1.00pm)	Friday 31 March
INSET DAY	Tuesday 3 January

### **AUTUMN 2022**

Starts	Friday 2 September
Half-term	Monday 24 October—Friday 28 October
Ends (1.00pm)	Friday 16 December
INSET DAY	Thursday 1 September
INSET DAY	Monday 31 October
INSET DAY	Friday 25 November

### **SUMMER 2023**

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

# NOTICES



## Thompsons of Crews Hill

We would like to say a massive thank you to Thompsons of Crew Hill for donating us some turf for Catriona's Garden.

Thank you Karen and Team.



## Absence

Please may we remind parents/carers of the following if your child is absent.

- Please telephone or email the school office on the morning your child is absent.
- On the return of your child's absence a letter with an explanation needs to be brought into school or you can email the school with the reasons.
- If your child has a headache, please give them Calpol and then bring them into school. If we feel they are still unwell as the day progresses we will send them home.
- If your child is absent for more than 3 days then we do require medical evidence, otherwise this will be an unauthorised absence.

## Breakfast Club

- Starts at 8.00am (please do not bring children any earlier, they will not be allowed in)
- If you require breakfast for your child, please ensure you are at school by 8.10am
- Breakfast Club account should always be in credit (either weekly, monthly or termly) £3.50 per day
- Any changes to the days your child is attending, please leave a message on the Breakfast Club line.

## Attendance for the week

**RUBY CLASS** have the highest attendance this week and will be allowed to come into school in non-uniform on Monday 23 May in recognition for their achievement this week for the most attendance this week.



## Nursery Admissions Sept 2022

- 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.

## 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>

## St. John's Church Services

Children's Service at St John's Church on the 3rd 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.

<b>Date List for Summer Term 2022</b>		
<b>MAY</b>		
Monday 23	Meeting about our School Journey to Manor Adventure for parents	2.30pm
Wednesday 25	Ascension Service at St. John's Church—parents welcome to attend	2.15pm
Friday 27	Platinum Jubilee Celebration for the whole school	
Monday 30—FRIDAY 3 June	HALF-TERM	
<b>JUNE</b>		
Monday 6—Friday 10	Manor Adventure residential for pupils in Yr.4 – Yr.6	
Thursday 9	Parents' Meeting PSHE/RSE	2.30pm
Friday 10	Artist working with pupils in Sapphire and Diamond Class	
<b>JULY</b>		
Friday 1	INSET Day	
Monday 4	Assessment Week throughout the school	
Wednesday 13	Summer Concert St. John's Church for Ruby and Sapphire Class - Parents are invited	2.15pm
Thursday 14	Emerald Class at a science event all day in Enfield County	
Friday 15	Reports to be sent out	
Monday 18	School Sports' Day	1.00pm
Tuesday 19	Music Festival with other schools for Choir and Emerald Class	10.00am
Wednesday 20	Summer Concert in St. John's Church at 2.15pm for Diamond and Emerald Class- parents are invited	2.15pm
Thursday 21	Graduation Concert for Ruby Class in St. John's Church—parents are invited	9.15am
Thursday 21	End of Summer Term for Nursery Class	2.45pm
Friday 22	Leavers' Service for Year 6 pupils at 9.15am at St. John's Church – parents invited	9.15am
Friday 22	End of Summer Term (Reception to Year 6)—School closes at 1pm	1.00pm



## EDMONTON GREEN

THE CONCOURSE (OUTSIDE LIDL), 69 SMYTHE CLOSE, N9 0TZ

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### BUY A BIKE

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### DR BIKE

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# SECOND HAND CHILDREN'S BIKE & SCOOTER MARKET

Saturday 28th May 2022 – 10am to 4pm

St James Open Space, Next to St John & St James's Primary School, Grove Street, N18 2TL

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Bring your unwanted bikes and we'll service and sell on your behalf at one of our many London bike markets. Check our website for details.

## BUY A BIKE

Pick up a fully checked, competitively priced used bike. Kids bikes and scooters available at subsidised prices. First come first served.

## Clean Air Route

This market is part of a project around Grove Street N18 and St. John & St. James' Church of England Primary School and the wider regeneration around Fore Street, Angel Edmonton - <https://letstalk.enfield.gov.uk/clean-air>

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## SECOND HAND BIKE MARKET

SATURDAY  
25th June 2022  
10am - 4pm

**BROOMFIELD PARK**  
**ALDERMANS HILL, PALMERS GREEN, N13 4RH**

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