

HEADTEACHER'S NEWS SUMMARY NEWSLETTER



'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

This is the biblical quote that we as a school community have chosen to reflect and support our vision statement. As we turn our attention to the Coronation of King Charles III next Saturday we can see very clearly that through the six important stages of the coronation service, this biblical quote is very much at the forefront. In each stage, King Charles and others commit to following Jesus' teaching and example to let their **'light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven' (Matthew 5: 16)**.

On Saturday 6th May, King Charles III will be crowned. The Coronation is a symbolic religious service which, for over 900 years, has taken place at Westminster Abbey. The service is led by the Archbishop of Canterbury (the most senior bishop in the Church of England). Through the service, the new monarch expresses what they would like to 'do' and 'be' as they rule; it also provides an opportunity for those gathered in the Abbey (and also those watching across the world on TV) to commit their support to the King.

As we prepare for the coronation of King Charles III, how can we shine as lights in the communities we serve? What is on our 'to do' and 'to be' list?

As we approach this special occasion, I encourage you to continue thinking now and over the Coronation weekend:

- How can we play our part in creating the kind of world God wants alongside the King?
- How can we all 'touch the world with goodness and compassion' today and beyond?

In the celebration of the upcoming King's coronation, we are hosting an art competition. We would like you to create a piece of artwork inspired by King Charles III, you can use any medium that you would like. This competition will be run by the School Council and the winners will be announced on the 5th of May. This means that entries need to be in by the 2nd of May to be judged by the councillors. We look forward to seeing your entries and awarding the prizes to the overall winner and the winners in every class as well on the 5th May. We would also like everyone to dress up in red, white and blue on Friday the 5th May so that we can mark the King's Coronation in our special celebration assembly.

There is still time for your child to complete their work on the illustration of our vision statement and we would like you to support them in illustrating this, reflecting the theme of our vision statement. There will be a prize for each winner in all four classes.

Alongside this, we are also running a competition for all pupils to write a prayer that reflects our vision statement. Like the previous competition, there will also be a prize for each winner in all four classes. The closing date for both competitions will be Wednesday the 10th May, ready to be judged by our governors on the 12th May.

Wishing you a lovely weekend, enjoying the Bank Holiday sunshine hopefully!

Best wishes,

Mrs. Notley



Week Beginning Monday 1 May 2023

Monday

BANK HOLIDAY

Tuesday

Closing date for Art Competition for King Charles' Coronation

- 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

Red, white and blue day to celebrate the Kings' Coronation

- 8.00am Breakfast Club
- 8.00am Rugby Club (KS2)

This Week's Attendance

<u>Class</u>	<u>Week</u>
Ruby	95.7%
Sapphire	88.8%
Diamond	98.8%
Emerald	98.3%
Overall	95.4%

FOUND

Tommy Hilfiger glasses and glasses case.

Please email the school office if they are yours or your child's.

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)	Friday 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

[How can you support Miss Bates' volunteering trip to Uganda?](#)

Miss Bates has volunteered to go to Uganda next January. We are so proud of Miss Bates agreeing to embark on such an adventure – she is certainly shining her light so that others can see the good things that both Miss Bates and St. John's School are doing.

In total we need to raise £1,200 so that we can pay for the flight, transport and accommodation for Miss Bates whilst she is based in Rukungiri in Uganda supporting the work that the Bridge of Hope charity will be carrying out. The Eco-Committee are really enthusiastic about making a real difference the lives of so many children in Rukungiri and are busy planning a variety of different fundraising activities throughout the remainder of this year. We will be tracking our progress after every fundraising event and keep you up to date with the fundraising campaign. There is a donate button set up on ParentPay for this, please feel free to donate towards this very worthy cause.



To date we have raised £1032.

A big thank you to everyone who has donated so far.

[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](#)

DIAMOND CLASS have the highest attendance this week and will be allowed to come into school in non-uniform on Tuesday 2 May in recognition for their achievement this week for the most attendance this week.

[Our New Vicar](#)

Rev'd Mitzi's institution will take place at St. Luke's Church on Sunday the 11th 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 Rev'd Mitzi's institution.

[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.

[Survey for Parents](#)

The local authority are seeking the views of education providers, parents and carers to inform this programme with an online surveys. As well as specific sites, the surveys were published on the Enfield Council website.

For parent or carer of a child(ren) or young person, the link to complete the survey is: [Parent / Carer Survey](#)

[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

For the past two weeks our learning in Ruby class has varied from traditional stories, to the world around us and moves on next week to the coronation.

We focussed our learning initially around Goldilocks and the three bears, we tried different flavours of porridge and created a visual bar chart. We then discussed the most popular and least popular flavour. In writing, we thought about how Goldilocks might feel when she saw the porridge. There were lots of mmmmmms!

This week, we have been thinking about our homes. We linked this back to Goldilocks and the cottage but decided that our homes look different to the story. We thought about the features of our houses and also how we can identify our house using the door number.

This week, Ruby bear will be joining our first Reception child for the weekend. The bear will go on an adventure every Thursday and will need to be returned the following Monday. We look forward to seeing pictures of what he has been up to!

Mrs Gatward & Ms Dall'Aglio lucy.gatward@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk

SAPPHIRE CLASS

This will be my last newsletter for Sapphire Class at St John's. I would like to thank all the parents for being so supportive during my time here and, of course, most of all I would like to thank the children for being so fabulous and working so hard!

This week we have been telling the time in Maths. Year 1 have been practising reading and drawing o'clock and half past times on analogue clocks and Year 2 have additionally been reading and drawing quarter past and quarter to on analogue clocks, as well as challenging themselves to recognise these times on digital clocks. You can practise reading these times at home to support your child.

We are investigating living things and their habitats in Science. Sapphire Class had a brilliant time at Hilly Fields on Tuesday exploring the different micro-habitats and discovering all the things that live in them, including various minibeasts, trees and birds. You can look into more habitats by looking in your own garden at home or in the park and seeing what trees, birds and minibeasts you can spot.

In Computing this half term we are learning about making music. The children have listened to different pieces of music from Holst's Planets and have been listening to and making rhythms using the computer. You can have fun with these at home by going to <https://musiclab.chromeexperiments.com/Rhythm/> and experimenting with making different rhythms of your own!

I am so happy to be able to leave Sapphire class in the incredibly capable and unerringly caring hands of Mrs Creed. I know she has, as always, got your children's learning and well-being firmly in hand. She will, of course, continue to be expertly supported by Mrs Hargate and Mrs Hocyk.

I wish all the pupils and staff at St John's the very best for the future. May all of Sapphire class in particular 'Shine like Stars' in everything they do!

Mrs. Sutton, Mrs Creed, Mrs. Hargate, and Mrs. Hocyk tabitha.sutton@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk

DIAMOND CLASS

All children continue to show impressive engagement and commitment to their learning. Very proud of you Diamond!

English – Children this week have worked hard trying to persuade me to change my career and become an audacious valiant gladiator! Persuasive writing is the focus of our writing as we continue to explore various language tools to produce high quality pieces of writing.

Maths – With Mr. Law this week, Diamond children were learning about divisions and the different written methods in resolving mathematical word problems.

*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!

Science – Children have been learning about electric circuits, exploring practical experiments in identifying features and different elements of electricity and light.

Religious Education – The focus this unit is on Hinduism. We had many opportunities across the curriculum learning about how Hindus abide by a way of life believing in a Supreme God Brahman present everywhere. Dharma and Karma are our starter concepts in this unit.

In **PSHE**, we have been reflecting on our new school's vision statement. The focus in **Geography** is understanding global issues affecting our world and the roles we may have to make a change. **Art project:** Creating acrylic canvas painting inspired by Van Gogh's 'Night Sky' as an illustration project for our school's vision statement.

Ms Chebbi & Miss Bates asma.chebbi@stjohnsprimariesch.org.uk

EMERALD CLASS

I can't believe we only have 1 academic week left until the year 6 children take their SATS tests, how time flies. We have all been working extremely hard this week on fractions, percentages and decimals; the children have consolidated on their previous learning and really progressed well in answering complex reasoning style questions.

In guided reading sessions the children are making great progress in all of the three groups; it is still crucial that on occasions you listen to your child read and ensure they are completing the allocated reading each evening.

In our art topic we will be going down to the red phone box virtually opposite the Rose and Crown next Friday morning and completing some sketches in preparation for what Miss Anderson has up her sleeve!

During PSHE we have had some really mature discussions and the children have been able to find solutions for certain problems that young people could experience. Please keep supporting your child at home with their learning and if you have anything you need clarifying please contact me.

Finally look out for details of a parents' meeting regarding the French Trip, where we will discuss the final arrangements.

Have a relaxing and enjoyable Bank Holiday weekend.

Mr Law & Miss Anderson joe.law@stjohnsprimariesch.org.uk

Date List for Summer Term 2023		
MAY		
1/5	BANK HOLIDAY	
2/5	Closing date for Art Competition for King Charles' Coronation	
5/5	Red, white and blue day to celebrate the Kings' Coronation	
8/5	BANK HOLIDAY	
9/5	SATS KS2	
10/5	Closing date for Vision Statement and prayer competition	
17/5	Ascension Service in St. John's Church (all parents welcome)	2.00pm
19/5	Fundraising activity for the Parish—Dress up in Church Colours and donate £2 on ParentPay	
22/5	Pathways Assembly (all parents welcome)	
23/5	Engineering Activity for Emerald to build a robot	
29/5—2/6	HALF-TERM	
JUNE		
5/6	Diversity Week	
11/6	Rev'd Mitzi's Institution at St. Luke's Church	6.00pm
12/6	Emerald Class Collective Worship (parents welcome to attend)	9.00am
13/6	Diamond Class Collective Worship (parents welcome to attend)	2.30pm
14/6	Sapphire Class Collective Worship (parents welcome to attend)	2.30pm
15/6	Ruby Class Collective Worship (parents invited to attend)	2.30pm
18/6	Rev'd 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 (all parents welcome) Launch of our new Vision Statement	2.00pm
29/6	KS2 Day trip to France	
30/6	INSET DAY	
JULY		
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
20/7	Nursery last day of Summer Term	
21/7	Leavers' Service in St. John's Church	9.15am
21/7	End of Summer Term	1.00pm