

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

HEADTEACHER'S NEWS



As the summer term is rapidly flying by, I would like to share with you the staffing structure for September. Please see the table below that clearly outlines the excellent provision that is in place for September which will enable us to successfully deliver all aspects of the curriculum and in doing so meet the needs of all pupils who are in our care. Like before, there will be an opportunity for all pupils to meet their new teacher in July, followed by a very well-developed transition programme for our current Reception pupils in September and this year we are extending this to the Year 2 pupils who will be moving into Year 3. We will be holding meetings for all classes in September so that we can outline very clearly the expectations for the year.

Staffing Structure for September 2022 at St. John's School

Class	Class Teacher	Other Teachers supporting	Support Staff
Ruby Class	Mrs. Gatward	Mrs. Miller -Music	Ms. D'Alligalio Mrs. Hocyk Mr. Pople for P.E.
Sapphire Class	Mrs. Sutton Monday – Thursday	Mrs. Creed supporting every morning and taking the class on Friday Mrs. Miller – Music Madame Sylvie – French (Yr.2)	Mrs. Hargate Mrs. Hocyk Mr. Pople for P.E.
Diamond Class	Ms. Chebbi	Mr. Law – Maths daily Mrs. Miller – Music Madame Sylvie – French	Miss Bates Mr. Pople for P.E. maths & reading
Emerald Class	Mr. Law	Ms. Chebbi – English daily Mrs. Notley - Reading Mrs. Miller – Music Madame Sylvie – French Miss Anderson – trainee teacher	Mr. Pople for maths, writing & P.E.

I am delighted to be welcoming one new member of staff to our team this September. Mrs. Sutton is an experienced teacher who has been working in Islington but has been keen to secure a post nearer to her home having had a little baby girl recently. She will be working from Monday to Thursday with Mrs. Creed taking Sapphire Class on the Friday, this will really support the successful transition of our Reception pupils.

In this current climate where employing excellent quality teachers is proving to be a real challenge, I am absolutely delighted to be in the elite position of having a superb team of professionals to continue to deliver the outstanding level of education and pastoral care at St. John's School. Please don't hesitate to come and see me if there is anything that you would like to discuss regarding the above.

Have a lovely weekend.

Regards,

Mrs. Notley



Mrs. Creed's Retirement in December

It is with great regret that I must inform you that Mrs. Creed has decided that she will be retiring in December. This has been an extremely difficult decision for her to make as she is so passionate and committed to both St. John's and of course the pupils in her care. Therefore, in supporting Mrs. Creed with this transition and at the same time meeting the needs of the pupils, Mrs. Creed will be stepping down from her current post as EYFS class teacher, EYFS Co-ordinator and Science Co-ordinator. In September, she will take on a different role at the school as Mrs. Gatward steps into the role of EYFS teacher overseeing both EYFS and KS1 in her post as Assistant Headteacher. Mrs. Creed will be teaching mainly in Sapphire Class every morning and taking the class on Friday. She will also be teaching in other areas of the school as well. This will really support the successful transition of the current Reception pupils to Sapphire Class and assist Mrs. Sutton in settling into life at St. John's School.

Mrs. Creed started at St. John's School in September 2012 as a part-time teacher in Ruby Class, sharing the post with Mrs. McPartland. Through hard work and true dedication to St. John's School, Mrs. Creed was appointed as the EYFS Co-ordinator following Mrs. McPartland's resignation. This is where Mrs. Creed's skills and talents really shine, she is passionate about meeting the needs of all pupils who are in her care - always going the extra mile without being asked. Her caring nature and true commitment to the importance of excellent early years practice has impacted so many pupils who have passed through Ruby Class. This will always be a special place for parents and pupils of this school where the key principles of Early Years are fundamental to a child's development alongside a nurturing, engaging and warm environment.

Mrs. Creed has been instrumental in raising the profile of science across the school alongside the significant role that outdoor learning plays in all pupils' development. She successfully completed the Primary Science Quality Mark in 2014, clearly demonstrating the key skills needed to impact on science teaching and learning across the school. We recently completed a review of science across the school which highlighted the journey that the school has travelled in arriving at this stage of true excellence – Mrs. Creed certainly needs to be congratulated for this.

On a personal note, I have thoroughly enjoyed working with Mrs. Creed and have learnt so much from her especially in Early Years that I am always in awe of both her outstanding practice and wealth of knowledge. It has been a real pleasure to work with a such a committed and passionate professional and I am really delighted that she has agreed to continue to work in the Autumn Term so that she can support us with the transition of the current Reception pupils to Sapphire Class.

In December, we will have many opportunities to celebrate Mrs. Creed's time with us and to wish her a very happy, healthy and long retirement that she truly deserves.

Mr. Larkin's farewell

Mr. Larkin joined us in the Spring Term of 2021, as the Class teacher in Diamond Class but also teaching English, PSHE/RSE, Art/D.T and Humanities in Emerald Class. During lockdown he was instrumental in delivering a full teaching programme across KS2; many times I sat in on his writing lessons and was in total awe at the skill he demonstrated in modelling writing via Teams. Throughout this time, my governors also attended some of his online lessons and they too were very impressed at the quality of his teaching and the real skill in engaging the pupils in developing their writing. His passion for teaching History has clearly shown through where pupils have thoroughly enjoyed his interesting lessons, fostering their passion for finding out more about our past and understanding how history plays a key role in shaping our current world.

Mr. Larkin has also been participating in an Art Project that has been funded by our partnership with the ETSP. This has involved working alongside an artist so that we can develop our art curriculum across the school. I have been so impressed with the art work that pupils in both Diamond and Sapphire Class have produced, clearly demonstrating the impact of both Mr. Larkin and Mrs. Gatward's skill in supporting the pupils in developing their artistic skills.

I am sure you will join me in wishing Mr. Larkin all the very best for the future. I have no doubt with the easing of travel restrictions, Mr. Larkin will be pursuing his passion of exploring the world again. Bon voyage Mr. Larkin.

RUBY CLASS

This week we have continued to complete our personal targets and the Ruby Class bakery has been in full swing! I hope you have all been enjoying eating the cakes, we have been taking lots of photographs which will go into their WOW books for you to see all these cake making skills in action! (More targets to follow next week.) In maths this week we have introduced the concept of time which is very much based on periods of time, we have been timing ourselves to see how many jumps, hops, skips in a minute, how far can we run in 10 seconds etc. We have also introduced an analogue clock to look at o'clock times; if you could practise this at home too that would be really helpful. The seaside has arrived in Ruby Class just in time for the sunny weather, the children are enjoying getting onto the 'beach' and making sandcastles! They have all been so excited about the trip today to Paradise Wildlife Park, we have booked a session for the reception children to have a talk on 'fur, feathers and claws' - sounds exciting! I'm sure they will have lots to tell you this evening!
Have a great weekend everyone.

Pat Creed, Elena Dall'Aglio pat.creed@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk

SAPPHIRE CLASS

Sapphire Class have ended the week on a high with a trip to Paradise Wildlife Park, it has been such a fantastic day! We have felt incredibly proud of the way that all the children have represented our school. We had the opportunity to take part in an interesting workshop and explore the park itself. Hopefully you have a restful weekend ahead to make up for the busy day!

In our maths learning, we have been looking at positional vocabulary including half turns, quarter turns and three-quarter turns. We have used the bee-bots to do this practically and have really worked on differentiating between our left and right. Some children came up with fantastic methods for remembering this!

On Thursday, we have also had the pleasure of another grandparent visitor. This week, Jasper's grandad joined us to tell us all about his childhood. It has been so interesting to learn more about the past through discussion and has even made me go away and ask my grandparents about their early life. Hopefully this has prompted some discussions within your households too.

If there are any other grandparents who would love to come in please send me an email as we would love to keep this going until the end of the school year.

As part of our PSHE topic we are now thinking about changes and over the past two weeks we have shared lots of baby photographs to see the difference between then and now. Thank you to all those who have shared them – we have them temporarily displayed in our classroom! Children are still able to bring them in if they haven't yet and they can get added onto the display.

Mrs. Gatward, Mrs. Hargate, Miss. Bates and Miss. Hocyk lucy.gatward@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk

DIAMOND CLASS

Diamond have had a great week of learning, with a main focus on poetry and rounding. Diamond Class looked at many different forms of poetry and have created their own Kennings poems, Cinquains and Limericks. The children have also been developing their knowledge of figurative language and using more and more advanced metaphors. In maths, the children have developed their knowledge of rounding, including rounding decimals. In geography, Diamond Class have been looking at tourism and how it can benefit and damage a local areas. Over the last two weeks the children have been very lucky to carry on working on a project started by our guest artist on the focus of mark making. The abstract pieces they have produced have yielded some impressive images and the children should be very proud of what they have produced. We have also started our PSHE unit of human growth and relationships which we will be continuing over the coming weeks. Well done Diamond Class!

Jack Larkin and Asma Chebbi



District Sports

On Monday afternoon we had a fantastic time competing at the Enfield District Sports at the Lee Valley Athletics Stadium. With great support from the parents, the children nervously awaited their events. Everybody performed to the best of their ability and scored valuable points for the overall team total. Unfortunately, we were unable to enter 5 races due to a lack of numbers so with a full team we would have hopefully finished mid-table instead of 9th. Amazingly Will (Y6), Elliott (Y4) and Emily (Y3) all won their events—the hurdles, and received a medal for their achievement. Below is the overall score and also the race results, lot of brilliant performances. I will also post a few photographs on the school website some time over the next few days.

School No	School Name	Total Points
46	Freezywater St George's	185
70	Edmonton County	176
50	St James'	175
48	St Andrew's Southgate	171
63	Salcombe	164
53	Forty Hill	152
61	Vita et Pax	150
69	Enfield Heights	147
58	St John's Primary	122
62	Grange Park Prep	109

Race	Names	Position
Year 5/6 600m	Alexia	7th
Year 5/6 600m	Giovanni	2nd
Year 6 60m hurdles	William	1st
Year 5 60m hurdles	Michelle	5th
Year 5 60m hurdles	Sonny	3rd
Year 4 50m hurdles	Eliza	3rd
Year 4 50m hurdles	Elliott	1st
Year 3 50m hurdles	Emily	1st
Year 3 50m hurdles	Zenios	3rd
Year 6 150m Sprint	Lucy	4 th
Year 6 150m Sprint	Chenal	2 nd
Year 5 150m Sprint	Natasha	5 th
Year 5 150m Sprint	Cristiano	3rd
Year 3 50m Sprint	Arabella	5th
Year 3 50m Sprint	Ralph	3rd
Year 4 50m Sprint	Nathan	3rd
Year 5 60m Sprint	Edie	5 th
Year 5 60m Sprint	Harry	4th

EMERALD CLASS

Another busy week in Emerald class. In maths we have been focusing on ratio and proportion, in English on writing recounts and in geography we have been looking at mapping skills. The children have worked really well and truly earned their trip to Hillyfields this morning where we will be playing rounders and having a massive game of hide and seek in the woods. The children have also started their science project which will conclude with a presentation at Chace community in around 3 weeks' time for all of the year 5 students and 5 year 6. As we move towards the end of term I know that Year 6 children have transition days coming up, please just let me know of the dates so that it is not put down as an absence. Next week the year 5s have their end of year assessments so I am hoping for some really good results. Have a great weekend and hopefully the sun will shine.

Joe Law & Jack Larkin

Sport News—YEAR 3/4 TAG RUGBY

On Tuesday afternoon the year 3/4 tag rugby team took part in their first ever matches at a tournament at Raglan primary school. I was pleasantly surprised by their skill and commitment and everybody worked really hard in very warm conditions. After 8 matches we won 5 and lost 3 games, which is a fantastic achievement leaving us 4th overall out of 9 teams. Although, all the members of the team well and truly deserve a mention, especially the girls who only just started playing last week, Nathan was definitely the player of the tournament for his fantastic, speedy running and scoring some great tries. I am sure after this experience all of the children will only get better and will have learnt many things from their experience. Many thanks to all of the parents who provided transport and supported admirably and a special thank you to Mrs Charalambous for helping me throughout the afternoon.

This Week's Attendance

<u>Class</u>	<u>Week</u>
Ruby	100%
Sapphire	95.3%
Diamond	94.7%
Emerald	99.1%
Overall	97.3%

Week Beginning Monday 27 June 2022

Monday

8am	Breakfast Club
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
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

INSET DAY



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Jr Adventures in Game Design Ages 5-7

This camp builds a foundation of basic coding concepts through coding games such as hide-and-seek, a simple clicker game, and a maze. They will have a blast remixing games into their very own creations while learning how to create backgrounds, characters, and more!



Become A YouTuber Ages 8+

Ninjas will work together to create and customize a shared YouTube channel, including the design of unique channel art, profile pictures, and video thumbnails. They will also be guided through how to record, edit, and upload videos and learn much more.



Jr STEM Discoveries Ages 5-7

This camp is all about becoming a maker with STEM while designing and building hands-on projects! Electric playdough, and marble machines, are just a few of the fun projects kids will tackle as they develop their engineering and design skills.



3D Design and Print Ages: 8+

Ninjas will explore 3D modeling and printing using Tinkercad. They will code their own custom models, including working bubble wands, keychains, and more! Along the way, they will learn tips, techniques, and best practices.



Stop Motion Animation Ages 8+

Ninjas will capture images frame-by-frame and produce videos in a rapid prototyping style. They will work independently on their videos and collaborate in teams during the entire design process.



Robotics with Lego Ages 8+

Using the LEGO® SPIKE™ Prime robotics kit, Ninjas will learn the fundamentals of how to design, build, and code robots. They will also apply their new knowledge of sensors, motors, and coding as they construct their own creations.



Intro To Roblox Ages 7+

Using the Lua programming language Ninjas will create their own timed, sudden-death Roblox game along with an interactive obstacle course. By the end of camp, Ninjas will showcase their game, play their peers' games, and publish their creation to the Roblox world.



Modding in Minecraft Ages 8+

This camp teaches Ninjas how to make unique mods (modifications that change the game!). They will create their own custom tools, weapons, armor, enemies, and more! By the end of the camp, Ninjas will be able to export their mods for friends and family to explore at home.



Scan QR Code to register



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Summer Reading Challenge

A Summer Reading Challenge for all pupils, which commences on the 9th of July.

This is a nationwide programme that encourages children to read six library books over the summer holidays, participating students are rewarded with stickers and prizes over the course of the challenge.

There will be a visit to our school, explaining the challenge to all our pupils.

More on the Summer Reading Challenge can be seen here <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk>



Wipe Your Tears Charity

We gave the money raised from TJI to a childrens charity on Saturday, the charity is called Wipe Your Tears, a childrens charity who support children with serious or terminal illnesses. They are going to thank the school on their facebook page. This is a picture of Shivana handing over £80 on Saturday. We'll hand over the rest of the money to the charity in July, as TJI are still selling. Can you thank the children in the school for all the money given, and let them know it went to a good cause.

Shivana Year 4



Sporting Sessions for SEN children

One of the parents at Head Start Nursery has raised awareness of children with special educational needs and how these needs can affect their experiences of sport sessions. Through her dedication and commitment she has teamed-up with a local sports company to provide sporting sessions dedicated to those whose children have SEN. Please see the links to these sessions below as they cater for varied age groups:

Tots - <https://bookings.sport4kids.biz/sportsmanagement//courses/courses.htm?clientCode=Skills-FBALL-SGS-13>

Kickers - <https://bookings.sport4kids.biz/sportsmanagement//courses/courses.htm?clientCode=Skills-FBALL-SGS-14>

Strikers - <https://bookings.sport4kids.biz/sportsmanagement//courses/courses.htm?clientCode=Skills-FBALL-SGS-15>

Academy 6-9 - <https://bookings.sport4kids.biz/sportsmanagement//courses/courses.htm?clientCode=Skills-FBALL-SGS-16>

Academy 10-11 - <https://bookings.sport4kids.biz/sportsmanagement//courses/courses.htm?clientCode=Skills-FBALL-SGS-17>

If you have a child with SEN please look into these sessions as we have had such incredible feedback so far!

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



Bench for Mr. Hutchby

Thank you to those parents who have donated on ParentPay to help us get a bench in memory of Mr. Hutchby (our previous Site Manager).

We have raised £153.00



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 27 June 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.

Date List for Summer Term 2022		
JULY		
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 and Choir to attend also	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

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