

HEADTEACHER'S NEWS SUMMARY NEWSLETTER



For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16:

On behalf of all the staff at St. John's School, I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Happy Easter and a very well-deserved break. We are so proud of all that we have achieved this term and all pupils, parents, staff and governors certainly have earned this break. Every week in Celebration assembly we are always sharing extremely positive news about various different achievements be in the sporting field, debating, academic achievements and much more.

This week I shared with you our recent success in the Debating Competition where we competed against ten other schools in the locality. The feedback from the judges was extremely positive, we certainly have a future Prime Minister in the making at St. John's School! On Saturday morning, I attended the Open Morning at Headstart Nursery with four pupils from both Emerald and Diamond Class to talk to prospective parents about life at St. John's School. The morning was so successful that we have had to add another Open Morning next Tuesday at 9.00am to accommodate the requests that we have had from perspective parents to come and see the school in action. We are extremely grateful to the Headstart team for being so welcoming and supportive of our school.

Thank you to all the parents who completed the Parent Questionnaire during parents' Evening. The survey was on the following:

[How well the school's theologically rooted Christian vision creates a culture in which pupils and adults are treated well and how an active culture of justice and responsibility prevails at our school.](#)

Please take the time to read the very positive responses that we had, especially the comments that many parents made about many aspects of school life. I have included some of the comments from parents below:

St John's has a wonderful nurturing environment which has a positive impact on all members of the school community

They put a lot of emphasis on kindness and good religious qualities. Good communication.

Listens to the children and parents, safety, caring towards others.

Lots of advice and support for their learning at all times.

Teachers and staff always available to support children with their emotional and physical wellbeing.

Promotes Christian values that help school feel like a nurturing community.

The following meetings and events will be taking place this half-term:

Monday 25th March at 2.15pm – Meeting for parents explaining the Relationships and Sex Education Programme being run in the Summer Term

Monday 25th March at 9.10am – Easter raffle being drawn at the end of Collective Worship

Tuesday 26th March at 9.00am - Parents/carers of Sapphire Class are invited to join their Collective Worship in class

Wednesday 27th March at 9.00am - Parents/carers of Diamond Class are invited to join their Collective Worship in class

Wednesday 27th March at 2.00pm - Easter Service for Diamond and Emerald Class in St. John's Church

Thursday 28th March at 9.00am - Parents/carers of Emerald and Ruby Class are invited to join their Collective Worship in class

Thursday 28th March at 9.45am—KS2 to visit Hillyfields

Thursday 28th March at 1pm – School closed for the Easter Holidays

Have an enjoyable and relaxing Easter break. Best Wishes Mrs. Notley



Week Beginning Monday 25 March 2024

Monday

8.00am Breakfast Club

2.15pm Meeting for parents explaining the Relationships and Sex Education Programme being run in the Summer Term

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS ENDED FOR SPRING TERM

Tuesday

8.00am Breakfast Club

9.00am Parents of Reception and Sapphire Class invited in to be part of the Class Collective Worship

Wednesday

NO SWIMMING now ended for Diamond Class

8.00am Breakfast Club

9.00am Parents of Diamond Class invited in to be part of the Class Collective Worship

During school Keyboard

During school Recorder

2.00pm Easter Service for Diamond & Emerald Class

Thursday

8.00am Breakfast Club

9.00am Parents of Emerald Class invited in to be part of the Class Collective Worship

3.00pm Nursery Ends for Easter

Friday

8.00am Breakfast Club

1.00pm School Closed for Easter Holidays

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

SUMMER 2024

Starts Monday 15 April

Half-term Monday 27 May to Friday 31 May

Ends (1.00pm) Wednesday 24 July

INSET DAY Friday 28 June CANCELLED

INSET DAY Monday 1 July

Bank Hols Monday 6 May

AUTUMN 2024

Starts Tuesday 3 September

Half-term Monday 28 October to Friday 1 November

Ends (1.00pm) Friday 20 December

INSET DAY Monday 2 September

INSET DAY Monday 4 November

INSET DAY Friday 29 November

Please remember that any of these dates may alter because of changing circumstances. On INSET days the school is closed to pupils.

NOTICES



Attendance for the week

SAPPHIRE CLASS have the highest attendance this week and will be allowed to come into school in non-uniform on Monday 25 March in recognition of their achievement this week for the most attendance this week.

This Week's Attendance

<u>Class</u>	<u>Week</u>
Ruby	90%
Sapphire	97.6%
Diamond	95.3%
Emerald	94.2%
Overall	94.3%

Absent Procedures

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 is absent for more than 3 days then we do require medical evidence, otherwise this will be an unauthorised absence.

School Uniform

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

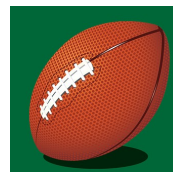
If you would like to purchase a school tie or water bottle, this can be purchased from the ParentPay shop, where the link is located on our homepage of the school website or please use the link below.

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

Breakfast Club

Please note **Breakfast Club** will be charged at **£4.00** from the Summer Term

- Starts at 8.00am (please do not bring children any earlier, they will not be allowed in)
- Please ring the Breakfast Club bell
- 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) £4.00 per day
- Any changes to the days your child is attending, please leave a message on the Breakfast Club line.



Sports News

On Monday afternoon, 23 children played in a tag rugby festival at Raglan school. For some of the children it was their first time playing a competitive game of tag rugby and disappointingly for a few stalwarts it was probably their last time representing St. John's at a tag rugby tournament. Everybody did extremely well with all 3 teams winning at least 2 games and the year 6 team finishing top of their league, undefeated. Could I please thank all of the parents who gave up their time and supported their children and also the team coaches who looked after the children during the event. It was a great afternoon and our school finished second overall which is a great achievement, again.

After School Clubs

The After School Clubs list is being forwarded by ParentPay today, please email the school office if you would like your child to attend.

It is a first come first served basis and if you are successful you will be emailed back to let you know that your child can attend the After School Club in the Summer Term.

ParentPay will be set up for your child during the Easter holidays, so if you have had an email back confirming they have a place, the place is secure.

Please ensure payment is made before the club starts, otherwise the place will be given to another child.

Please make note that there will be no clubs in the w/c 3 June to 7 June due to staff attending the school journey with Emerald Class.

RUBY CLASS

In the build up to Easter, Ruby class have been learning all about the Easter story. This week, they have ordered events and written down key pieces of information. We are really now looking to extend sentences with adjectives and conjunctions to take our writing to the next level. They also followed a recipe to make hot cross buns, which were actually very delicious!

In reading, we are continuing to develop our confidence with blending and reading both green and red words. We are really impressed with the overall focus of children and how they are approaching this. We continue to extend our reading by asking questions to clarify their understanding of what has been read. Please do continue to fill in their reading records as this is really good for us to see how they are getting on at home.

In maths, we have been consolidating our understanding of bonds to both 5 and 10 and also looking at odd and even numbers. The children have completed both independent tasks and also practical activities in our learning environment.

Next week, we have a fire-engine visiting us as part of our learning about 'People who help us.' For this, we will walk over to Headstart on Tuesday to see the vehicle in the car park. We will upload pictures to picture news to show you all of the exciting things we get up to.

We wish you all a fantastic Easter break, I cannot believe that we are now moving into our final term of Reception! All of Ruby are continuing to grow and flourish, and I look forward to seeing this develop further.

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

SAPPHIRE CLASS

**The children have thoroughly enjoyed the Easter Experience trip, despite the rainy adventure!
We had an excellent feedback from the organisers about how well-informed and knowledgeable
St John's children were.**

Well done Ruby, Sapphire, Diamond and Emerald children!

English – Narrative is the focus of writing for the last couple of weeks. We are aiming to complete a good piece of writing based on the Easter Story. We are writing in paragraphs, using time connectives and enriching our content with a range of descriptive language: adjectives and noun phrases.

Maths – Being able to tell the time and understand its concept is what the children have been learning about in Maths. We are reading the clock to the hour, half an hour, quarter past and quarter to. Year 2 children are exploring the analogue and digital clocks.

Science – The children are exploring the properties and characteristics of plants, identifying and naming a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees. We have also explored the different types of seasonal flowers.

Religious Education – How do Easter Symbols help us to understand the true meaning of Easter: The Eucharist, bread, wine and the cross? We will be looking at one flower in particular as the symbolic flower of Easter – the lily. Since lilies grow from a bulb that is buried and then blooms into life, it is a beautiful representation of the **death and resurrection** of Jesus.

In **PSHE** - We are learning about goals, achievements and what we need to fulfil them. As a team, working in unity and harmony.

Geography—We have been exploring the sources of our food – provenance, the different types of farming: arable, pastoral and sustainable sea farming in seas surrounding the UK.

In true Sapphire style, we have been working very hard, fully-committed and dedicated and the outcome is always impressive – Well done Sapphire!

Ms Chebbi, Mrs Hargate, Mrs Hocyk are very proud of you

Ms Chebbi, Mrs. Hargate & Mrs. Hocyk

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DIAMOND CLASS

Thank you to all parents who came to see me during Parent's Evening, it was lovely to discuss the progress your child is making. As we are so close to the end of term, we have had a busy couple of days this week completing all of the assessments. These will show where the children are at at the end of this term. This will continue on Monday next week so please ensure times tables, maths and spelling homework is completed to ensure your child has the best possible knowledge.

After discussions with the children following the test, a lot of them told me that "the maths paper was basically times tables." I hope that this has highlighted to them the importance of knowing all their tables and how regular practise is imperative. In addition, spelling has greatly improved in Diamond Class, with a huge number of children moving up a spelling group. Please ensure that you practise with your child as much as possible at home throughout the week.

Please remember that swimming has finished now so the children do not need their kit on Wednesday as we will be back to our usual timetable. Certificates will be handed out to the children as soon as we receive them. Instead on Wednesday, we invite you to join us for our class collective worship at 9am to showcase what we have been learning about throughout this term!

I hope you have a lovely, restful Easter break and I look forward to seeing you back for the Summer term, hopefully with sunnier weather.

Miss Anderson, Miss Bates & Miss Ozgen lauren.anderson@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk

EMERALD CLASS

As we near the end of another busy term we are inviting you to our class collective worship next Thursday morning at 9.00am where the children will be going through all of the things we have been doing this term and general life at St. John's. After this we will be going to Hillyfields for our end of term behaviour treat so please can all children wear their PE kits and have a spare pair of trainers as it is still quite muddy.

In class this week we have been working on different energy sources in geography. The children created some excellent posters and also Powerpoint presentations which they shared with the class. In maths we have finally cracked long multiplication and division. We have been really pleased with the effort everybody has been putting into their work and this has really shown with their progress this week.

We have also started our end of term assessments which will go into the final week as well. So far, it is a promising start and all the hard work seems to be really paying off. I hope everybody has a relaxing and enjoyable Easter period and we will see everybody, especially the year 6, ready to go in mid-April for a very important few weeks.

Mr Law, Mr Pople & Miss Alagee joe.law@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk

Date List for Spring Term 2024

MARCH		
25	No Clubs this week—finished for the Spring Term	
25	Meeting for parents explaining the Relationships and Sex Education Programme being run in the Summer Term	2.15pm
26	Parents of Reception and Sapphire Class invited in to be part of the Class Collective Worship	9.00am
27	Parents of Diamond Class invited in to be part of the Class Collective Worship	9.00am
27	Nursery Class ends for Easter	3.00pm
27	Easter Service for Diamond Class and Emerald Class	2.00pm
28	Parents of Emerald Class invited in to be part of the Class Collective Worship	9.00am
28	School closes for the Easter Holidays	1.00pm



At
St Luke's Church
10:00am
Every **First Sunday** of the
Month

Come
And See



At
St John's Church
Strayfield Road
9:00am
Every **2nd Sunday** of the Month

Come
And See

Unwanted clothing, shoes, handbags etc

SATURDAY 13TH APRIL 2024

If you have any of the following items:

**GOOD QUALITY, CLEAN SECOND-HAND
OR NEW LADIES' AND MENS' CLOTHING,
ALL CHILDRENS' CLOTHING – BABIES to TEENAGERS,
SOFT TOYS, SHOES, BELTS AND HANDBAGS,
BED SHEETS**

and you are happy to donate them to raise funds for

Bridge of Hope Children's Ministry

Please put them in strong plastic bags and take them to the
Scout Hut in the car park of Enfield Baptist Church, Cecil Road EN2 6TG
between **10:30am-12:30**.

We select items that are suitable for us to take to Uganda while other
articles will be sold to raise funds.

All proceeds will go direct to our charity to support
orphaned & abandoned children in Uganda.

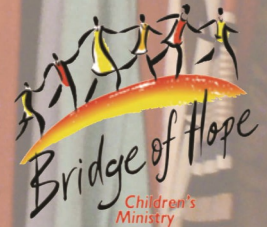
Please do **NOT** include:

- Torn clothing
- Mats or carpets
- Pillows, blankets,
duvets or curtains
- Single shoes
- Offcuts of material

For more information please speak to

Monica Wood: 0208 363 4555

Geoff & Barbara Skerratt: 01992 712427
info@bohcm.org



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info@bohcm.org
Charity Registration No. 1126408

CARING FOR CHILDREN IN JESUS' NAME

SPRING BRINGS HOPE FOR '24

Bridge of Hope Children's Ministry

Invite you to their Coffee Morning and Spring Fayre

Saturday 13TH April 10.30^{AM} to 12.30^{PM}

Enfield Baptist Church, Cecil Road, Enfield Town EN2 6TG

Bring family and friends

Enjoy coffee and delicious cakes, browse our stalls of new gifts, items
crafted in Uganda, preserves and hand knitted toys

Contact Lynn Murphy 01992 622727 or Joan Young 01707 872857



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If you have any new items, cakes or preserves you would
like to donate please bring them on the morning

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DATE LIST FOR SUMMER TERM 2024		
APRIL		
22	After School Clubs start for the Summer Term	
23 & 24	Stay and play for New Reception pupils in September	2.00pm
25	Parents' Support Group in the pod	2.00pm
26	Class & Sports' Team Photographs (please wear school uniform and bring in P.E. kit)	
26	Manor Adventure meeting for parents	2.30pm
MAY		
3	Eucharist Service at St. John's School for parents and pupils of Emerald Class	2.30pm
6	Bank Holiday	
7	Nursery pupils in September to visit with their parents	2.00pm
8	Ascension Service at St. John's School	2.00pm
13 – 16	SATs week for Yr. 6 pupils – Monday – Thursday Governors in to monitor the administration of testing in the hall	9.00am
14	Year 5 Bible Study Group with Mother Mitzi after CW until 10.15am	9.20am
15	Mother Mitzi to take Collective Worship with EYFS & KS1	2.20am
16	Governing Body Meeting	5.00pm
20	Pathways assembly – Forgiveness	
27 – 31	Half-Term	
JUNE		
3 – 7	Manor Adventure Trip for Emerald Class (no After School Clubs this week)	
11	Year 5 Bible Study Group with Mother Mitzi after CW until 10.15am	9.20am
19	Mother Mitzi to take Collective Worship for EYFS & KS1	2.20pm
27/6	Parents' Support Group in the pod	All day
JULY		
1	INSET Day	
3	Mother Mitzi to take Collective Worship for EYFS & KS1	2.20pm
4	Secondary Transfer Day	
5	Secondary Transfer Day	
8	Pathways – Hope – parents welcome to attend this Collective Worship in the hall	9.00am
9	Science Project for Year 5 with ETSP schools at Chace Community School	All day
10	Summer Concert for Ruby and Sapphire Class at St. John's Church	2.00pm
11	Curriculum Committee to meet	4.00pm
12	After School Clubs finish for the Summer Term	
12	Self-evaluation session for Governors	9.00am
17	Religious Education Day for the whole school with a focus on Prayer	All day
17	Graduation Service for Ruby Class at St. John's Church	9.00am
17	Summer Concert for Diamond and Emerald Class	2.00pm
18	Governing Body Meeting	5.00pm
22	Sports' Day	1.00pm
23	Rounders Match for staff and Year 6 pupils	3.00pm
24	Leavers' Service at St. John's Church – whole school and parents	9.00am
24	School closes for Summer holidays	1.00pm
SEPT		
2	School opens for the Autumn Term	8.45am

St. John's Protected Spring in Uganda

Starting work on developing the protected spring in Uganda.

The school has agreed to raise £1,400 to cover the costs of this.

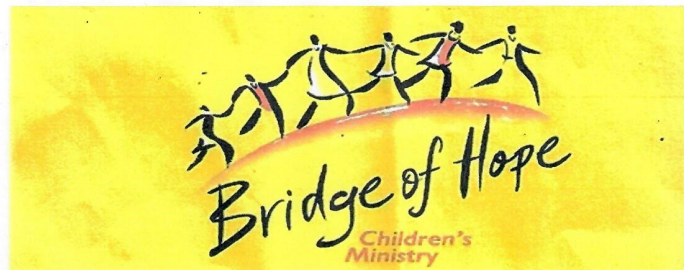
If you would like to make a donation, please go to ParentPay where there is a donation account set up—



Protected spring Uganda. We will be holding fundraising days.

"Bridge Of Hope Children's Ministry" supporting orphans in Uganda.

To find out more go to www.bohcm.org.



CHARITY TEA DANCE

Saturday 4th May 2024

2.30pm - 5.30pm

@ Enfield Baptist Church

Cecil Road, Enfield, EN2 6TG.

Ticket event only. £15 per person

All the proceeds go to help feed & educate the children of UGANDA.

TO BOOK TICKETS, PLEASE CONTACT

ROSEMARY 07713 611499 or

CLIFFORD 07851 828878

Charity Registration No.1126408



**Enfield Town
Schools' Partnership**
Working together, stronger together

The Great Debate 2024

**A huge
thank you
to everyone
involved**

**ETSP School
Pupils &
Teachers!**

**Chickens
MC's**

**Winners 2024
St John's
CE Primary**

**Incredi
Judge**

**Capel Manor Primary
Chase Side Primary
Enfield Heights Academy
Forty Hill CE Primary
Hazelwood Schools
Kingfisher Hall Primary
Prince of Wales Primary
St. Andrew's Southgate CE Primary
St John's CE Primary
St Michael's CE Primary
Worcesters Primary**

**Welcoming Host
Chace Community
School**