

HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

SUMMARY NEWSLETTER



'Learn to do good. Be fair to other people.' Isaiah 1.17

Hope everyone had a very well-deserved Easter break and are returning for the final term feeling refreshed and ready to focus on finishing the academic year with many achievements and much to celebrate.

This half-term we are focusing on working for justice for everyone both in our school, at home, in our local community, nationally and globally. Throughout our collective worship this half-term we will explore what justice means to us in these different contexts. We started with our long-term dedication to ensuring justice for the many children and families that the Bridge of Hope charity supports. I am delighted to be able to report to you that the protected spring in Uganda has now been completed, with many families enjoying clean water and indeed being so grateful for this! To date we have raised a total of £506.09 from all the different fundraising events that we ran last term. We are currently asking the pupils to post suggestions of fundraising events in the box located in the hall and we will be choosing one to do on the 17th May. In total we need to raise £1,400 to cover the costs of building this protected spring, so your support would be really appreciated.

One of the many treasures of being a church school is having our children learn, understand, and participate fully in the church's calendar. It is also important that the children are comfortable in church buildings and learn about the sacraments of our Christian faith. During Mother Mitzi's collective worship, we learnt about baptism last term, and we will be learning about the Eucharist (Holy Communion/the Mass) in Collective Worship this term.

As a conclusion of this theme of learning, we will be holding a Eucharist service at St John's Church for our older children (Emerald Class) at St. John's Church on the 3rd of May at 2:30pm to which parents / carers are very welcome to attend.

For those parents who wish it, Mother Mitzi is hoping next year to be able to offer Confirmation classes and the opportunity for children to be confirmed by our Bishop in 2025. This is offered by many other church primary schools, and we would be delighted to introduce this at St John's - if it was something parents wanted.

Dates list for the first half-term of the Summer Term

Dates	Activity	
26/4	Manor Adventure meeting for parents of Emerald Class	2.30pm
3/5	Eucharist Service at St. John's School for parents and pupils of Emerald Class	2.15pm
6/5	Bank Holiday	
8/5	Ascension Service at St. John's School for Reception – Yr.6 pupils	2pm 4pm
13/5 – 16/5	SATs week for Yr. 6 pupils – Monday – Thursday Governors in to monitor the administration of testing in the hall	9am
20/5	Pathways assembly – Forgiveness, all parents are welcome to attend.	9am

Have an enjoyable and relaxing weekend.

Best Wishes

Mrs. Notley



Week Beginning Monday 22 April 2024

Monday

After School Clubs start

- 8.00am Breakfast Club
 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 (Recep, Sapphire Class)
 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 (KS2)
 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

Class & Teams Photographs (pls wear schl uniform)

- 8.00am Breakfast Club
 8.00am Rugby Club (KS2)
 2pm Manor Adventure meeting for parents

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

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

Winners of the Raffle

George Yacoumis

Michele Kale

Larry Lazare

Please come and collect your raffle prize from the school office.

Many thanks to all that entered and raised money for the Protected Spring in Uganda

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

NOTICES



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 22 April in recognition of their achievement this week for the most attendance this week.

This Week's Attendance

<u>Class</u>	<u>Week</u>
Ruby	97.5%
Sapphire	91.7%
Diamond	92.3%
Emerald	92.9%
Overall	93.6%

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>



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

**Come
And See**



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

**Come
And See**

SAFETY

Please may we remind parents that they must walk their children to the school gate and ensure that they enter the school building. You cannot drop your children off and let them make their own way into school. There are many dangers and we need to be vigilant and sensible.

We have to keep our children safe

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.

After School Clubs

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

Welcome back to our final term in Ruby Class!

We have made an exceptional start back and the behaviour/focus of the class has been truly impressive. We have been learning all about Goldilocks and the 3 little bears. This has included snipping her (spaghetti) locks, mixing and tasting delicious porridge and sorting hard and soft objects.

In writing, we have been continuing to develop independence and a 'have a go' attitude. We are working on writing sentences with full stops, capital letters and finger spaces. Our grammar focus has been looking at adjectives and discussing what an adjective means.

In maths, we have been continuing to build our understanding of making, writing and recognising numbers from 10-20. Counting at home and playing number based games is always a fantastic way to consolidate this.

In reading, we are really trying to drive our fluency forward. When blending, we encourage saying that word and then going back to the start of the sentence if reading becomes robotic. Skills such as using a pointing finger and following along whilst others read, are also our focus areas for this half term. We have organised a date to come in to see reading groups so please check your emails to confirm this, as it would be great for you to see the progress they have made. This is the term where we really hope to see all the learning from the year in action and the children's confidence blossoming as we finish Speed Sounds Set 2.

PE continues to be on a Friday this term, so PE kit can be worn on this day.

Homework will continue to be collected on a Wednesday and handed out on a Friday (if it has been received back). Homework is a great way to encourage your child with their learning and to show them how important the skills we learn are.

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

SAPPHIRE CLASS

Such an impressive start to a new term: calm, confident and full of smiles!

***Thank you so much to the children, parents and carers for the impressive Florence Nightingale Project.**

English – Florence Nightingale Diary Entry is what we are aiming to achieve in writing; a day as Florence. We are exploring the different skills for this genre, the interesting vocabulary and the grammatical structure.

Maths – We are revisiting 2-D shapes in geometry, identifying their properties. We are also learning about right angles all around us. A game of spotting right angles would be fun to enjoy with your child.

Science – Our changing world – Sensing seasons - To identify how the seasons determine how 'our changing world' varies, and to describe the impact that seasonal change has on our lives.

Religious Education – We are learning about the stories told in the Bible and the reason why Jesus shared them. Jesus spoke in simple stories or parables as a way of teaching His disciples lessons He wanted them to learn. We started with the story of the sower.

In **PSHE**, we are learning about relationships, important people in our lives and the connection we have with them.

History: We are learning about Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing, pioneering nursing profession: her achievements and legacy. The children are already quite knowledgeable about these facts. Have a chat with your child!

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

Ms Chebbi, Mrs. Hargate & Mrs. Hocyk asma.chebbi@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk

DIAMOND CLASS

What a great first week back to school! I hope you all had a chance to have a relaxing break over the holidays. As mentioned before Easter we were smashing our assessments, and I am thrilled to see how many children have made significant progress last term, and I am really looking forward to pushing it further by the end of the year.

This has meant that we have jumped straight into learning, especially in Maths, where we have been looking at negative numbers and Roman numerals. We've had some mini-Julius Caesars in Diamond class who have aced this!

In English, we have been writing recipes all about biscuits which has been delicious. We have been focusing on ensuring that our recipes are really specific and give as much detail to help the reader out. Allowing your child to follow a recipe and maybe make you dinner at home will help them to see how important each step is and help to embed their knowledge further.

In Geography, we have started looking at the coast. This is a great topic as the children get to see how varied our coastline is across the UK, looking at the different features of a coast. It would be lovely if you could take your child to the seaside especially now the weather is warming up.

As always, I have set MyMaths and timestables to be completed by next Friday. We are now moving into times tables crunch time for Year 4's, therefore it is imperative that homework is being completed at home to ensure your child gets full marks in their test in June. Year 3's this homework is still important as I mention all the time, timestables are the backbone for a lot of maths!

Have a lovely weekend and I hope this sunshine holds up,

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

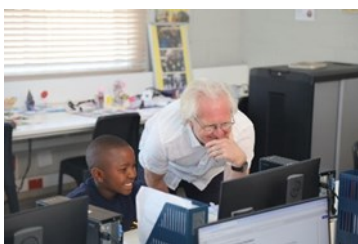
EMERALD CLASS

Welcome back to everybody and I hope you had a relaxing and enjoyable Easter break. I certainly enjoyed South Africa and especially my visit to a South African school called Christel House in Cape Town for children from extremely deprived backgrounds. It was an amazing experience and the children were extremely excited when I told them that students from Emerald class had written them letters. Within a week we had our reply, which everybody was excited about, so we are busy now formulating our next response.

In maths this week, we have been focusing on multiplication and division especially 'long' calculation methods. Yesterday in History, we looked at the patron saints of the UK as on Tuesday it is St. George's Day, the children initially did not have much understanding but by the end could name all the patron saints and the relevant days of the year they are celebrated. In art we had a great lesson painting the colour wheel, learning about primary, secondary and tertiary colours. In science we did some planting, everybody planting their own baby spider plant and then a variety of seeds. Let's see over the coming weeks what happens and whether we bare any produce.

With less than four weeks until the year 6 take their SATs it is really important that everybody is going to bed at a sensible time. There has been lots of yawning and tired eyes this week and we really need fresh, ready to learn young people so that they can truly fulfil their potential. Have a relaxing weekend.

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



DATE LIST FOR SUMMER TERM 2024		
APRIL		
22	After School Clubs start for the Summer Term	
26	Class & Sports' Team Photographs (please wear school uniform and bring in P.E. kit)	
26	Manor Adventure meeting for parents	2.30pm
30	Stay and play for New Reception pupils in September	1.00pm
MAY		
1	Stay and play for New Reception pupils in September	1.00pm
3	Eucharist Service at St. John's School for parents and pupils of Emerald Class	2.15pm
6	Bank Holiday	
7	Reception Parents invited to see your child's reading group session	9.00am
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
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—Update

Completed 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.

Ambitious about Autism

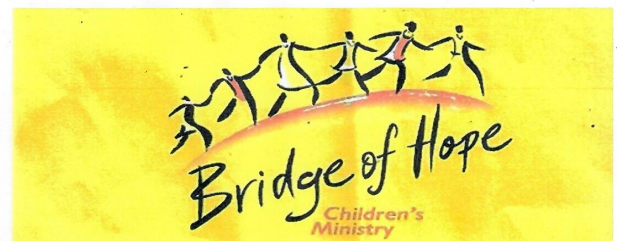
One of our parents are fundraising throughout the year and partnering with Ambitious about Autism.

<https://www.ambitiousaboutautism.org.uk/what-we-do>

Both children are taking part in the Inflatable 5k Run on Saturday with 80 friends to raise awareness for Autism. Quite fitting as it's Autism Awareness month.

We fully appreciate not everyone can fundraise. But any wishing to donate.

https://www.justgiving.com/page/jasperandfriends?utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=page%2Fjas-



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