

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

HEADTEACHER'S NEWS



Friday 4th April - Autism Acceptance Day at St. John's C of E Primary School

On Friday the 4th April we will be celebrating the contribution that autistic pupils at our school make to enriching our entire school community. It is time that we really focus on our autistic pupils but also thinking about all autistic people and highlighting the wonderful gifts that they have been given by God. We acknowledge the strengths, achievements and uniqueness of people who are on the Autism spectrum. Every autistic pupil at our school places their hand print on our school community, marking their own contribution to our school. We invite everyone to wear blue on this day and to contribute £2 to the Autistic Society.

Thank you to all the parents who completed the recent online safety questionnaire, it is helpful for us to receive this feedback so that we can further support you in this very challenging and ever evolving area of every child's life. We have organised a session for parents to be supported in setting up the correct parental controls on your child's device on 28 April at 2.15pm and also on 14 July at 2.15pm. Please see other attached document regarding the online questionnaire feedback.

The internet is a big part of children's lives in the UK, with children spending 2 to 5 hours online daily (OFCOM, 2024). It helps them make friends, learn, and be creative. However, the internet also has risks, such as exposure to harmful content and online abuse.

However, safeguarding is everyone's responsibility and while it is never possible to remove risk entirely, parents and carers also have a duty to ensure their children are kept safe and are able to manage risk effectively both in the real world and online. Our parental guide is designed to help families to develop safe and healthy internet use using the TECH approach. It is research-based, practical and trauma-informed.

We want to support our families to understand and implement **T.E.C.H Safeguarding Guidance**

T - TALK - Encourage two-way communication with your child

E - EDUCATE - Stay informed about the latest online risks

C - CO-VIEW - Spend time online together

H - HOUSE RULES - Set clear rules for internet use

Helpful Guides for Specific Online Risks:

Report sexual abuse images/videos here: [Report online child sexual abuse imagery or 'child pornography' \(iwf.org.uk\)](#)

Parental guidance of sexual image-sharing: [Parent guide to sexual image-sharing among kids | Internet Matters](#)

Resources to tackle online grooming: [Online grooming resources | Internet Matters](#)

Resources to protect children for radicalisation and grooming: [Radicalisation of young children online | Internet Matters](#)

Resources to support your child if they are being bullied: [How can I help my child if they are being bullied? | NSPCC](#)

Resources to tackle cyberbullying: [Resources to deal with cyberbullying | Internet Matters](#)

Guidance for online abuse: [How to talk about harassment and abuse online | Internet Matters](#)

Resources on racism and racial bullying: [Racism and racial bullying | Childline](#)

Resources to tackle harm from inappropriate content: [Learn about inappropriate content online | Internet Matters](#)

Resources to protect children's privacy and identity online: [Online identity theft facts and advice for parents | Internet Matters](#)

Resources to manage in-game spending: [How to manage in-game spending:](#)

Please note: WhatsApp has since changed its age rating to 13+

Have an enjoyable and relaxing weekend.

Best Wishes Mrs. Notley



Date List for Spring Term 2025

DATE LIST FOR SPRING TERM 2025		
MARCH		
25/3	Maths session for parents of Year 4 pupils	9.00am
26/3	Maths session for parents of Year 5 pupils	9.00am
26/3	Final Swimming Session for Diamond Class	
26/3	Easter Concert for EYFS & KS1 in St. John's Church	2.00pm
28/3	Mother's Day Tea Party for all mothers, aunts and grandmas in the dining hall	2.00pm
31/3	After School Clubs finish for the Spring Term	
31/3	Collective Worship for parents of Emerald Class in the school hall	9.00am
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1/4	Collective Worship for parents of Diamond Class in the school hall	9.00am
2/4	Collective Worship for parents of Sapphire Class in the school hall	9.00am
2/4	Easter Concert for KS2 in St. John's Church – Bishop Anderson attending with Stephen Taylor	2.00pm
3/4	Sushi making workshop for all pupils	
3/4	Collective Worship for EYFS parents in Ruby Class	9.00am
4/4	Rocksteady to present at Celebration Assembly followed by music workshops with a view to setting up bands across the school	
4/4	'Ambitious about Autism' please come to school wearing blue and make a donation of £2 on ParentPay	
4/4	Finish for the Easter holidays Reception Class to be collected at 12.45pm Sapphire Class to be collected at 12.50pm Diamond Class to be collected at 12.55pm Emerald Class to be collected at 1pm	
22/4	Start of the Summer Term	8.45am



After School Clubs & Breakfast Club Agenda

After School Clubs & Breakfast Club Dates

Monday

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 (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 (Recep, Sapphire Class)
3.00-4.00pm	Choir Club (KS2 & Year 2)
3.00-4.00pm	Pathways (KS2 & Year 2)

Thursday

8.00am	Breakfast Club
3.00-4.00pm	Tennis Club (KS2)
3.00-4.00pm	Activities Club (Recep, Sapphire Class)
3.00-4.00pm	Jiu-Jitsu (KS2 & Year 2)

Friday

8.00am	Breakfast Club
8.00am	Rugby Club (KS2)

SPRING 2025

Starts	Tuesday 7 January
Half-term	Monday 17 February to Friday 21 February
Ends (1.00pm)	Friday 4 April
INSET DAY	Monday 6 January

SUMMER 2025

Starts	Tuesday 22 April
Half-term	Monday 26 May to Friday 30 May
Ends (1.00pm)	Tuesday 22 July
INSET DAY	Monday 30 June
Bank Hols	Monday 5 May

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

EMERALD & Ruby CLASS have the highest attendance this week and will be allowed to come into school in non-uniform on Monday 24 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	100%
Sapphire	96.5%
Diamond	97.8%
Emerald	100%
Overall	98.6%



Summer After School Clubs

The list of After School Clubs will go out to parents on Friday 28 March.

As you are aware it is on a first come first served basis.

Any requests received before the list has been emailed to parents will be ignored.

Spare School Uniform Shop

Nearly new school uniform shop run by a collaboration between St. John's School staff and parents. Any items required please send a text message to 07985 467 033, stating the item you require and size.

You will receive a confirmation text to collect the item and can make a payment on ParentPay under Item Name 'Donation to St. John's'

Nursery Admissions Sept 2025

- 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.
- Full time places available

INFORMATION

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.

Breakfast Club

- 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.
- If you would like to join Breakfast Club, please collect a form from the school office

School Uniform

This can be purchased from Smiths Schoolwear, 223 Baker Street, EN1 3LA.

RUBY CLASS Spring is in the air, and Ruby Class has been blooming with enthusiasm! This week has been full of hands-on learning, outdoor adventures, and plenty of exciting challenges to embrace.

A Trip to Remember—Tuesday was a truly special day as we set off on our trip filled with fun and new experiences. The Easter Experience brought the story of Easter to life, with wonderful characters guiding us through this important celebration. Afterward, we soaked up the sunshine at the park, enjoying the play area and taking a peaceful walk to see the ducks, swans, and birds. Our final stop was Enfield Town Library, where we listened to a story from the lovely Sam—such a perfect way to end our adventure. A huge thank you to all the helpers who made this trip possible!

Metamorphosis Magic—Back in the classroom, we've been closely observing our caterpillars and keeping a careful diary of their changes. This week, we learned an exciting new word—**metamorphosis**—to describe their transformation. We can't wait to see them create their cocoons and eventually turn into butterflies, ready to flutter around **Catriona's Garden**.

Easter Excitement—Our classroom is buzzing with excitement as we prepare for our Easter concert next week! The children have been singing their hearts out, and this afternoon, we'll be decorating our Easter bonnets with Sapphire. Even Mother Mitzi has hinted that she'd love us to make a special bonnet just for her—what a fun challenge!

Maths in Action—In maths, we've been exploring the **part-part-whole** model and discovering how it helps us understand number sentences. The children are becoming so confident in using their maths knowledge in everyday situations, applying their skills to solve problems all around them.

Reading in the Sunshine—The beautiful weather has made our reading time even more enjoyable! There's nothing better than sitting in the afternoon sun with a good book, and the children are making fantastic progress. We are so proud of how well they are using '**Fred in your head**' to read sentences fluently.

A Special Celebration Ahead—Next Friday, we are thrilled to be hosting our **Mother's Day tea party**. We can't wait to welcome mothers, grandmas, aunties, and all the special women in our children's lives for a wonderful afternoon together. We hope to see as many of you there as possible!

Wishing you all a restful weekend.

Miss Kelleher, Ms Dall'Aglio & Mrs Dall'Aglio mimi.kelleher@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk

SAPPHIRE CLASS The days are getting brighter, and the children's enthusiasm for school and learning is at an all-time high. They continue to impress us with their energy and eagerness.

English – We have just completed a special poster for selling Nyla's house by the sea, taking on the role of estate agents. We are now diving into the joy of free, creative and imaginative writing, applying the skills we have learned so far. Handwriting continues to be a key focus in our presentations across all subjects.

Maths – We have been learning about mass and weight, recognising different units and comparing various masses, while revisiting comparison symbols. We have also been practising reading digital scales and using balance scales. You can encourage your child to find the weights on items while shopping and discuss why a specific measuring unit is used.

Science – In this unit, we have identified and named a range of common wild and garden plants, including both deciduous and evergreen trees. It has been the perfect time to explore and appreciate the beauty of God's creation all around us as we have embraced the opportunity to connect with nature and marvel at the wonders that surround us!

Religious Education - The children are learning about the symbols of Easter and how they help us connect with the true meaning of this holy season. Through exploring these symbols, they are discovering how Easter celebrates the hope, love, and new beginnings that come from God's sacrifice and resurrection. Our recent Easter experience trip further enriched their learning, allowing them to travel back in time and relive the story of Christ's journey. This experience deepened their understanding of how Easter brings us closer to God and reminds us of the hope and renewal we find in His love.

PSHE - we are focusing on living a healthy lifestyle and making positive choices. This includes eating nutritious foods, staying active, getting enough rest and caring for our mental and emotional well-being. All of these contribute to building strength, happiness and resilience.

History – we have been exploring the life and achievements of Florence Nightingale. We are learning how she revolutionised healthcare with her emphasis on hygiene and patient care, particularly during the Crimean War. As part of our learning, we will develop various skills, including writing diary entries to reflect on her experiences and practising factual recall to deepen our understanding of her impact on the world. **A blessed holy season for our Christian, Muslim communities and to the entire world! May this time be filled with reflection, peace and spiritual growth.**

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

DIAMOND CLASS

A lovely week of sunshine! Thank you to those parents who attended the Maths workshop for Year 3 this week, it was lovely to share some tips and tricks regarding reasoning with you. If you were unable to attend, the paper has been sent home with your child which you can look at and go through in your own time.

This is just a reminder that next Tuesday 25th March, I will be delivering another Maths workshop, this time to Year 4 parents. Please do attend if possible as it is really helpful to understand how we teach maths at St. John's and how best you can help your child at home.

In English, we have started our new book called The Lion and The Unicorn. This is a story about bravery and courage, during the war. The children have begun this week by creating their dialogue based on a scene in the book.

In Science, we have looked at different ways to classify animals using a table or using a branched diagram. This can be easily replicated at home by giving your child different animals such as a snake, a frog and a bee. We are looking forward to our end of term trip to Hillyfields to investigate some animals further.

In Geography, we have been looking at land use in New Delhi, India. Once we have completed our trip to Enfield Town next week, we will be able to compare land use in two different places around the world.

In D&T, we are continuing our special project for Mother's Day. The children have been amazing so far using lots of special equipment. Can I please have a photo of you (Mum's) with your child in Diamond Class to fit into our project? If you can send me your photo by next Friday 28th March via email.

Times Tables and MyMaths have been set as usual. Please make sure that these are being completed as I am having to remind a lot of children every week.

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

EMERALD CLASS

Thank you to all of the year 6 parents who came into the classroom on Wednesday morning for the maths workshop and a discussion about SATS, it was a great turnout. Please remember those parents who have children in year 5 I will be running another maths workshop next Wednesday morning at 9am in Emerald class. We had a lovely walk down to the Easter experience yesterday where the Pathways team delivered an interactive Easter story which the children thoroughly enjoyed.

In English we have been focusing on writing up our narrative recounts based on the story of Beowulf. The children have produced some excellent pieces of writing, including creative figurative language and a full range of punctuation. In maths we have been looking at percentages in various capacities with the children really gaining confidence throughout the week.

Well done to all of the children who represented St. John's at the recent debating competition. We worked really well on debating the topics 'Should plastic bags and bottles be banned?' and also 'Should violent video games be banned?' It was great to see the children perform in front of an audience and most importantly of all, they learned new skills.

We hope you have a relaxing weekend.

Mr Law & Mr Pople joe.law@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk

St. John's C.E. Primary School

Academic Year 2025-2026

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- = School days
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Autumn Term:	Monday 1 September 2025 – Friday 19 December 2025 <i>Half Term 27 October – 31 October</i> Inset days Thursday 23 October, Friday 24 October Monday 3 November & Friday 28 November 2025
Spring Term:	Monday 5 January 2026 – Friday 27 March 2026 <i>Half Term 16 February - 20 February</i>
Summer Term:	Monday 13 April 2026 – Monday 20 July 2026 <i>Half Term 25 May – 29 May, and May Bank Holiday - 4 May</i> Inset day Monday 20 July 2026

St. John's C.E. Primary School Spare School Uniform Shop

St. John's Primary School are proud to launch our school uniform shop with the aim of: preserving resources, eliminating waste and reducing our carbon emissions – all contributing to a more sustainable school and world.

We can't make this work without you! You can help by making your school uniform purchases from our nearly new school uniform shop. You can also help by donating any St. John's School uniform.

- For purchases, simply send a text message to 07985 467 033.
- Just state the item you require and size.

You will receive a confirmation text to collect the item and can make a payment on ParentPay under Item Name, Donation to St. John's. Simple.

All items are priced at only £2

Many items are brand new with tags, or nearly new; ready to be worn. Please enquire, it's quick, easy and can save you money.

Items in stock in various sizes:

PE Jacket / PE white polo / Blue School Jumper
Blue School Cardigan / Grey School Pinafore / Grey School Skirt
Grey School Trousers / St. John's Tie / St. John's Book Bag

The uniform shop is run by a collaboration between St. John's School staff and parents. Proceeds from uniform sales will support St. John's School and pupils. We thank you for your continued support.



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



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You can find our easyfundraising page at https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/st-johns-primary-school-enfield/?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=pmc&utm_content=gs-email1

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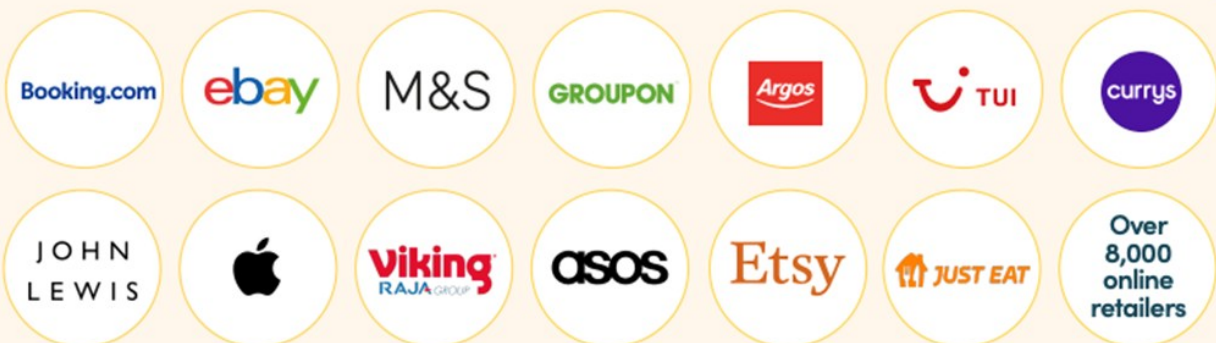
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Bridge of Hope Children's Ministry

Invite you to their Coffee Morning and Spring Fayre

Saturday 5TH April 10:30^{AM} to 12:30^{PM}

Enfield Baptist Church, Cecil Road, Enfield Town EN2 GTG

Bring family and friends

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

Contact Lynn Murphy 01992 G22727 or Joan Young 01707 872857



www.bohcm.org
info@bohcm.org
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If you have any new items, cakes or preserves you would
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ST JOHN & ST LUKE

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Clay Hill

Quiz Night

St Luke's Church

Phipps Hatch Lane, EN2 0HL

Saturday 26 April 2025

6.30 for 7.00pm start

Tickets £10

Tickets from Elaine Plumb

020 8482 4309

Tables of up to eight

or come along and make up a table

Bring your own drinks and nibbles



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1 Mar | 5 Apr | 3 May | 7 Jun | 28 Jun | 12 July

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