

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

HEADTEACHER'S NEWS



“Through Christ we feel sure’. 2 Corinthians 3:4

Welcome back to all members of our school community for the final half-term of this school year and what an action-packed time it is going to be. Our final value for this half-term is **Confidence**; which is indeed so fitting for this time of the year where we can really celebrate together how much each and every one of us has grown in confidence throughout the academic year.

This week we have been exploring our value of **CONFIDENCE**- ‘**Through Christ we feel sure**’. **2 Corinthians 3:4** and thinking about how we feel and act when we are confident. Many pupils talked about how anxious they were starting in a new class in September but on reflection they can now celebrate how confident they feel about this. Several pupils talked about new activities that they have tried both in school and outside of school – echoing the words of our vision statement where we want pupils to flourish and develop their gifts so that they can ‘***Shine like stars***’.

We as a school are very excited to embark on our next long-term project of financially supporting 10 children who are orphans and without our help could not afford to attend school. The first fundraising session took place on the 23rd May, raising a total of **£302** which was a huge success and thank you to everyone for this support. Ideas are flooding in for the next fundraising session that will take place on the 18th July and hopefully by then we will have raised £700 for this project. This is a photograph of the ten delightful children that we are supporting throughout their education in Uganda.



As there was only one parent who expressed an interest in becoming a Parent Governor, I am delighted to report that Ms. de Silva automatically gets voted into this very important position. We are indeed extremely grateful to Ms. de Silva for expressing an interest in working with our very supportive and professional Governing Body to continue to make St. John’s School even more successful. Please take the time to read the statement on page 8 of the newsletter from Ms. de Silva.

Have an enjoyable and relaxing weekend.

Best Wishes

Susan Notley

Headteacher

Date List for Summer Term 2025



JUNE		
2/6	Deposits for the School Journey to Manor Adventure deadline Yr 5 & Y 6	
12/6	Emerald Class to attend a service at Westminster Abbey	9.00am— 3.00pm
19/6	District Sports for KS2	12.30pm
20/6	Class & Sports' team photographs	
24/6	Stay and play for Nursery pupils in September	1.30pm
30/6	INSET DAY—School closed	
JULY		
1/7	Stay and play for Reception pupils in September	1.30pm
4/7	Independence Day Celebration Lunch	
7/7	Pathways Collective Worship —parents welcome to attend	9.00am
8/7	Science Project for Year 5 at Chace Community School	9.00am— 3.00pm
9/7	Summer Concert for Ruby and Sapphire Class at St. John's Church	2.00pm
10/7	Summer Concert for KS2 at St. John's Church	2.00pm
14/7	After School Clubs finished for Summer Term	
14/7	Rocksteady Concert for parents of pupils who attend Rocksteady	2.00pm
16/7	Religious Education Day for the whole school	
16/7	Eucharist Service for KS2 at St. John's Church	11.00am
16/7	Graduation Service for Ruby Class at St. John's Church	9.30am
16/7	Summer Concert for KS2 at St. John's Church	2.00pm
17/7	Rounders match for staff and Year 6 pupils	3.00pm
18/7	Pasta Making Workshop for all pupils	
21/7	Sports' Day for all pupils	1.00pm
22/7	Leavers' Service at St. John's Church for Year 6—whole school and parents	9.00am
22/7	School Closes for Summer Holidays	1.00pm



After School Clubs & Breakfast Club Agenda

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 Tennis (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 Rounders 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)

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.

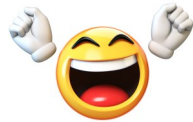
NOTICES

Attendance for the week

EMERALD CLASS have the highest attendance this week but unfortunately as it is not over 96% the non-uniform on Monday does not apply.

This Week's Attendance

<u>Class</u>	<u>Week</u>
Ruby	86.3%
Sapphire	86.5%
Diamond	89.3%
Emerald	90.0%
Overall	88.0%



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'

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.

INFORMATION

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.

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

Ruby Class Our trip to Willows Activity Farm was everything we'd hoped for and more! The children were so excited to explore with Sapphire Class—stroking the animals, bouncing on the trampolines, and laughing all the way around the adventure playground. It was a day full of big smiles and wonderful memories. Back in class, our learning has continued with lots of energy and enthusiasm.

In maths, we've been busy counting real objects, sorting, comparing and building with shapes, and trying our best to remember numbers all the way up to 50. The children are getting really confident at spotting patterns and explaining their thinking.

Phonics has been especially fun lately—we're learning new sounds at lightning speed and using them to write funny, creative sentences that make us all giggle. The children's imaginations are in full swing, especially when it comes to stories.

Ethel's letters continue to capture everyone's attention. Her latest gift—a book called *The Hundred Decker Bus*—sent our imaginations into overdrive! We've been designing our own wild and wacky bus decks: from dinosaur swimming pools to trampoline parks and chocolate-covered kitchens. It's safe to say no two bus decks are the same.

As we move through our final half term of the year, we've been talking lots about our school values and what they look like in real life—especially kindness, friendship and perseverance. Rainy days have brought out the best of our indoor creativity, while the Sunshine Room has been filled with spontaneous rain dances and lots of music.

We're learning new songs for our end-of-year events, and although the summer is quickly approaching, we're holding on tightly to every moment together. Ruby Class are growing in confidence, in kindness, and in imagination—and we're so proud of each and every one of them.

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

SAPPHIRE CLASS Another eventful start to our last and most important half term full of passion and enthusiasm.

English – The children continue to impress with their outstanding writing skills, showcasing skilful editing and proof-reading strategies using important writing tools and techniques learnt throughout the year to improve and produce much powerful and impactful pieces. Please allow your child more independent writing opportunities for further practice.

Maths – Some great consolidation of Maths learning has been going on so far; understanding number sentences, inverse operations, multiplication and division facts. Please continue to support your child with their learning by establishing a consistent and healthy home practice routine. TT Logins for year 1 should be working and on track for me to check their progress at school.

Science – We've been learning all about animal diets, including herbivores, carnivores and omnivores. The children have enjoyed exploring what different animals eat and how their diets help them survive in their habitats. Watching nature documentaries and discussing what pets eat are great ways to spark curiosity and encourage a deeper interest in the natural world around us.

Religious Education – We are exploring Islam and the ways in which Muslims demonstrate their commitment to their faith. This half term, our focus is on the concept of commitment. We will be learning about Islamic beliefs, practices and spiritual journeys.

PSHE - In the "Changing Me" unit of PSHE, children started to learn about how their bodies and feelings change as they grow. This includes understanding the life cycle and developing a positive sense of self. The unit helps children build confidence, respect for themselves and others and prepares them for the changes they will experience as they get older, in a safe and age-appropriate way.

History – In this topic, children will learn about significant explorers from the past who made important discoveries and journeys. They will find out who these explorers were, where they travelled, and why their adventures were important. Through this, children will begin to understand how exploration has shaped the world and inspired curiosity and courage.

Wishing all members of the Muslim community a joyful and peaceful Eid al-Adha. May this special time of reflection, sacrifice and togetherness bring you and your loved ones blessings, happiness and harmony. Eid Mubarak!

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

DIAMOND CLASS

Well done to every child in Diamond Class for completing a very successful week. We have been extremely busy practising our tables as next Friday the Year 4 pupils will complete their Times Tables test. Please take the time this weekend and next week to keep practising this really important challenge. Pupils put their creative and artistic talents to the test this afternoon to complete their Father's Day cards. Dads will be pleased next week when they read the thoughtful and kind messages that the children have written—Up until next Sunday week, these are hidden away! Top secret!

In English we have been continuing with our story 'The Thomas and Tide Club'. The children demonstrated superb skills of note taking whilst I was reading the text. Next week they will start writing about how Clem and the gang got the palace.

In Maths we have been looking at shape translation, how to translate a shape from different co-ordinates.

In Geography we learnt about water cycle— evaporation, condensation & precipitation. The children were able to explain clearly what each of these processes meant, do take the time to test your child on this.

Have a lovely weekend.

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

EMERALD CLASS

We are definitely back into the swing of things after the half-term with a main focus on our writing in preparation for our year 6 moderation a week on Thursday. We have been reading the book Curiosity about a Mars Rover sent to the red planet to find out if there really is life there. We have written a proposal to NASA regarding this and the different features and characteristics of our machine.

In geography we started our topic based on the Amazon and looked at the great expanse of land and countries that it covers. In maths the focus had been on fraction with a heavy emphasis on long multiplication and long division methods to calculate fractions of amounts.

In design and technology, we have started our topic base around sewing. I am always surprised by the skills of the children in creating the various stitches. During our computing lesson we focused on programming; again, I was really impressed with some of the children's understanding of how to use coding to create a simple program.

Please make sure your child is prepared for our trip to Westminster Abbey next Thursday where we will be participating in a special service to celebrate 80 years of Christian Aid. It is important that all pupils are in their full school uniform which includes a tie. We will hopefully be able to take in some of the sites after the service before our return journey back to Gordon Hill.

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
 = School holidays
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- = weekends
 = Inset Day

Autumn Term: Monday 1 September 2025 – Friday 19 December 2025
Half Term 27 October – 31 October
 Inset days Thursday 23 October, Friday 24 October Monday 3 November & Friday 28 November 2025

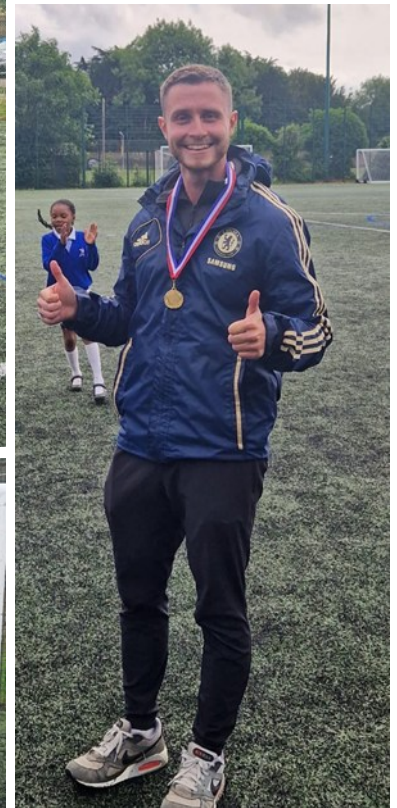
Spring Term: Monday 5 January 2026 – Friday 27 March 2026
Half Term 16 February - 20 February

Summer Term: Monday 13 April 2026 – Monday 20 July 2026
Half Term 25 May – 29 May, and May Bank Holiday - 4 May
 Inset day Monday 20 July 2026

SPORTS NEWS

Fantastic news for **St. John's football team** as on Tuesday evening we beat St. Andrew's Southgate in the **final of the Small Schools' Cup 2-0**.

A fantastic team effort, we excellent effort, relentless running and non-stop determination. Well done to Emmanuel for scoring both of the goals and thank you to all our loyal supporters. I think our coach was happy!!



PARENT GOVERNOR statement

Thank you for offering me an opportunity to join the school's Governing Body as a Parent Governor.

When I first visited St John's Primary, I was very impressed by the two Emerald children that took us on a tour of the school. They were very pleasant and were able to answer questions confidently. We felt that this would be a perfect fit for Eden as it seemed like a very nurturing school environment.

Since joining the school, Eden has grown in confidence in sports and academics and has been exposed to many experiences such as making sushi and using a saw to make a mother's day frame by himself, which he was very proud of.

Another significant difference I've noticed in Eden is how happy he is with the lunch at St John's Primary. He was always a fussy eater and refused to try new foods, however, since joining St John's he is not afraid to try new food.

The Friday assembly and awards ceremony, which acknowledge children's progress on a weekly basis, is another aspect of the school that I'm very impressed with.

Having worked in Addenbrookes hospital as a trainee scientist and then as a fully registered Biomedical scientist for Public Health of England, I was involved in training new healthcare professionals. And I feel that the skills I have developed since then has proved useful when communicating, teaching and working with others.

I am also an active member of the Clayhill parish and have helped with funding raising events run by the church. I also help with doing the flower arrangements for St John's church and volunteer my time to help maintain the church gardens when possible.

My social skills have helped me integrate well into St John's Primary school and I believe that will also help me be the voice for St John's parents at future meetings. I believe the skills and knowledge I have acquired through networking in an independent sector as well as with St John's Primary school parents will be useful as a Parent Governor. Ms de Silva

**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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