# HEADTEACHER'S NEWS SUMMARY NEWSLETTER



#### 'Through Christ we feel sure'. 2 Corinthians 3:4

Continuing with our value of confidence this week, we have started to talk to the pupils about our arrangements for transition in July. We are very mindful that for many pupils and teachers as well, it can be very daunting returning to a new classroom and class in September. Therefore, to reduce this anxiety, and to also build pupil confidence, we will be running a transition period from the 2<sup>nd</sup> July to the 19<sup>th</sup> July. All pupils will be with their teacher that they will have in September every morning and return to their original class for the afternoons. We have run this programme for a number of years now and it is hugely successful on many fronts; especially for the pupils, who leave at the end of this term being familiar with their classroom and teacher for September. Teachers finish the year having their class and classroom organised alongside being familiar with their new pupils - ready to 'hit the ground running' in September!

The staffing structure for the next academic year is as follows:

Class	Teacher
Ruby Class	Miss Kelleher
Sapphire Class	Ms. Chebbi
Diamond Class	Miss Anderson
Emerald Class	Mr. Law
Mrs. Gatward will be on maternity leave from September	

We welcome Miss Kelleher who will be the new class teacher in Ruby Class in September. She has had experience in both Nursery and Reception at Oliver Goldsmith Primary School in Peckham. In addition to Miss Kelleher's teaching qualification, she also has a degree in Fine Art and therefore, she will be a real asset to our school in developing the creative arts curriculum throughout the school.

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

Dates	Activity	
24/6	Sapphire Class trip	9.30-2.30pm
1/7	INSET Day - Report Writing for teachers	
2/7	Transition Week, all Year groups move up to their class for September - am sessions only	
9/7	Science Project at Chase Community School for Yr. 5 pupils	9am
10/7	Summer Concert for Ruby Class and Sapphire Class at St. John's Church	2pm
2/7 - 19/7	Transition Period, all Year groups move up to their class for September - am sessions only	
17/7	Religious Education Day Graduation Service at St. John's Church for Ruby Class Summer Concert at St. John's Church for diamond and Emerald Class Eucharist Service for Emerald Class at St. John's Church	9am 2pm 11am
19/7	School reports send out	
22/7	Sports' Day at the Heavside's Field	1pm
23/7	Rounders Match staff vs Yr.6 pupils	3pm
24/7	Leavers' service at St. John's Church School closes at 1pm for the summer holidays	9am

Have an enjoyable and relaxing weekend.

Best Wishes Mrs. Notley

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#### Week Beginning Monday 24 June 2024

**Monday** 

Sapphire Class Trip

8.00am Breakfast Club

3.00-4.00pm Netball Club (KS2)

3.00-4.00pm Arts & Crafts (Recep, Sapphire Class)

<u>Tuesday</u>

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)

<u>Friday</u>

8.00am Breakfast Club 8.00am Rugby Club (KS2)



St John's Church Strayfield Road 9:00am Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Month



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

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

SPRING	2025
Starts	Monday 6 January
Half-term	Monday 17 February to Friday 21 February
Ends (1.00pm)	Friday 4 April
INSET DAY NONE	



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



# **NOTICES**



### Attendance for the week

**RUBY CLASS** have the highest at-

tendance this week and will be allowed to come into school in non-uniform on Monday 24 June 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	93.1%	
Diamond	93.8%	
Emerald	87.1%	
Overall	93.5%	

### **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, 223 Baker Street, EN1 3LA.

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

## **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'

## **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.

### ParentPay reminders/contributions

- Reception Class trip to Whitewebbs Museum
- Governors' Maintenance 2023/24
- Sapphire Class trip to Enfield Islamic Centre for R.E.
- Breakfast Club put in credit for the day/week/month/
- Easter Experience from March 2024
- Ruby Class Snacks Spring Term 2024

If trips/events are not contributed to by parents then we may have to cancel them in the future.

## **Nursery Places 2024**

- If your child is 3 years old by August 31st 2024, they will be able to join our Nursery Class in September 2024.
- Complete our supplementary form, which can be found on the school website or collect them from the school office.
- Return the supplementary form to the school office as soon as possible.
- If you are interested or know somone who is, please contact the school office and we can arrange a visit for you as soon as possible.

#### **RUBY CLASS**

This week we have been learning all about Hairy Mclary, focusing on rhyming words, creating labels, writing thought bubbles and describing characters with adjectives.

In maths, we are continuing to build up our knowledge on addition and subtraction. Focusing on writing our own number sentences.

Last week, we were incredibly busy with two trips. Thank you to the parent helpers who helped make both of them happen. We had such a fantastic time at the Transport Museum and the Farm, I'm sure they slept very well last weekend! Hopefully they can tell you all about their favourite parts of the trip but I was incredibly proud of their behaviour; they were great role models for St. John's.

From July, we will be preparing for the transition between Sapphire and Ruby. The children might begin to tell you of their experiences in Sapphire class. We pride ourselves on running an extensive programme of transition to allow children to feel well prepared for changes in September. If you have any questions regarding this please speak to me on the gate.

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

#### SAPPHIRE CLASS

#### Learning is fun in Sapphire as always!

**English** – We are exploring a range of genres as we enjoy reading Roal Dahl's story, The Minpins. Writing danger posters, character descriptions, setting description, retelling the narrative and postcard writing are what the children are gradually working to achieve throughout these couple of weeks. Grammar focus continues to be the foundation for our quality writing. Such a lovely story to read with your child!

**Maths** – We have been learning about fractions of shapes and quantities as we continue to build our understanding of equivalence. i.e. 2/4 is the same as 1/2. Position and direction are what we have explored throughout this week. learning about orientation and grid plotting.

Science – We are out on an educational outdoor trip to Forty Hall to allow the children to interact and learn from our natural environment in order to enrich their understanding about the different types of flowering plants and types of trees.

**Religious Education** – Eid Mubarak to our Muslim community!

<u>We</u> continue to learn about Islam and how Muslims show commitment to their faith through following the five pillars. We have learnt about Hajj as it coincides with a holy Muslim celebration of Eid and how important this is to show commitment.

In **PSHE**, we are exploring the changes we experience in our bodies as we grow and how they make us all special and unique.

**Geography**: The focus this half term is on learning about where animals are around the world, locating continents and understanding climate and environment. We would welcome projects / information posters about animals' habitat around the world.

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

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

#### **DIAMOND CLASS**

Another end to another week. Diamond Class are continuing to show great endurance and determination in all areas of school life. I am so pleased with their progress this term.

In English we have continued to read about Ernest Shackleton and his journey to the Antarctic and we are preparing to write a newspaper article to inform others of his adventures. The children have loved learning about this huge expedition, and we even saw him mentioned on Newsround this week!

In Maths, we have been looking at decimal numbers this week getting to grips with ordering, rounding and sequencing which is the basis of this week's MyMaths homework.

In Science, as I am sure you saw yesterday, we have been loving looking at bees and various things that they do. Hopefully we are changing the view that bees are bad because they can sting and thinking more about the huge benefit, they have all over the world. Please ask your children to share the many facts they know about bees, including the fact they are found on all 7 continents around the world (including Antarctica)!

In PSHE, we have continued to look at our 'Changing Me' unit, I am really proud of their maturity throughout this unit, and we have had really successful discussions regarding this topic.

Next week we will completing our final assessments for this academic year! These are really important as they will show the progress the children have made throughout the year. Please ensure your child is in school promptly at 8:45 as I will be putting some early morning work on the board regarding the tests that day that will be really beneficial for the children to complete. MyMaths and Times Table Rockstars homework has been set as usual to support this.

Finally, please could I ask that you check at home for any St John's books. They will have our stamp on the very first page in the book. Please can you return any book for guided reading or for the library before the end of this academic year so that you can avoid a fine that will be sent out so we can replace them. These books are vital for our learning, and we have a certain number so that we can all enjoy them.

Have a lovely weekend,

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

#### **EMERALD CLASS**

In maths this week the children have been focusing on algebra; finding the value of letters within an equation and also substituting values into a given calculation. I also set the year 6 children my infamous shape challenge, they showed great resilience but as of yet nobody has solved it in year 6. Although Alicia completed it in record time-5 minutes.

In geography we have been looking at mapping skills. Yesterday, we took out the huge ordnance survey maps of the local area and found our school, homes and other significant places in the locality using both 4 and 6 figure grid references.

Also yesterday, we had our first sex education lesson in PSHE. The children approached this in a really mature manner and asked lots of good questions. I have spoke to them about discussing anything they are still a little unsure of with yourselves at home.

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Finally, please accept my apologies for not posting the Manor Adventure photos yet, I promise they will go online as soon as I have the time to sort them all out.

Have a great weekend and hopefully the sun shines!!!

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

	DATE LIST FOR SUMMER TERM 2024	
JUNE		
24	Sapphire Class Trip	9.30- 2.30pm
JULY		
1	INSET Day	
2	New September 2024 Reception/Nursery Stay and Play session	1.45
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	INSET DAY—School closed	
3	School opens for the Autumn Term	8.45am

## **Governors Maintenance**

#### Gift Aid slips & Payments

Thank you to all the parents who have returned their Gift Aid slips from making a contribution to the Governors Maintenance.

If you haven't already returned it or need a new slip, please contact/return to the school office.

Also, if you haven't made a contribution, please do so on ParentPay.



## 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. Johns'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.

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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.

#### **Grocery Aid for Families**

If you have families in your school that are working in the grocery trade, then they are eligible for a grant to support with school essentials. The window to apply is tight but it is worth £150 per child.

You may wish to advertise through your school website - <a href="https://">https://</a>

www.groceryaid.org.uk/finances/schoolessentials-grant/

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