

St. John's N20 Newsletter

Autumn Term 1 - Friday 13th September 2019



Dear Parents and Carers,

Whist children and teachers are extremely fortunate that we have just returned from a six week holiday, I must admit it now seems quite a distant memory! We are all working very hard as we settle into our new year groups and roles and start our learning journey for the current academic year. Breakfast and After-school club are up and running and by the start of next week all of our extracurricular clubs will have also begun. Similar to last year, we are also starting our morning intervention groups from Monday. This week, and for the next half-term, our lower key-stage 2 children are learning how to make our world a much more environmentally friendly place. The project – Waste Warriors – will discuss all aspects of saving our planet, of which one of the lessons will look at entomophagy – eating insects instead of meat - as they have a much smaller environmental footprint. This week our full Governing Board held their first meeting of the year and the SJA met for the first time too. Both groups gathering to discuss what lies ahead. Have a lovely weekend.

God bless.

Mr Sweetingham.

Nurture Encourage Challenge through Christ

Uniform

Please help us to keep our children looking smart and dressed in full school uniform as per our School Uniform Policy and detailed on our website. We are also aware that it is easy for items to get mixed up, especially when changing for PE. Please therefore help your child to keep track of their clothing and belongings by ensuring that every item is clearly named.

Foundation

It's been a busy week in EYFS! We have now welcomed in all of our new children and they are settling in well. Those who have previously been in our Nursery have enjoyed taking on a supportive role in helping our newer children; it's excellent to see such good peer support. It has been particularly exciting to see the children familiarising themselves with their new surroundings and taking on board a new set of routines; we are very proud of how well they have all managed! Many of the children will be very tired after their first week and we wish you all a relaxing weekend!

Ms Stylianou



Achievements



Nursery	n/a
Reception	Lhia – being enthusiastic about her learning Rayan – settling in to Reception so confidently
Year 1	Robin – always concentrating and trying his best in his learning Charlotte M – having a growth mindset in her phonics
Year 2	Blake – having an excellent growth mindset and trying really hard with his concentration Robyn – using outstanding vocabulary in her recount and always trying her best
Year 3	Maritsa – having an excellent start in her new Year 3 class Nell – having an enthusiastic attitude towards all of her learning
Year 4	Madelyn – having a fantastic learning attitude, always having a go and concentrating Freya – being an enthusiastic Waste Warrior and being curious
Year 5	Adonis – using his growth mindset and trying his best in Maths Max – taking great pride in his learning and representing it beautifully
Year 6	Natalia – carrying out magnificent mathematical learning Jack – showing great knowledge and depth in his RE and History learning

New St John's Church Hall

After over two years of hard work and negotiations, the church's planning application for its new hall has been submitted to Barnet Council for approval. This can be viewed online at the following web address:

<https://publicaccess.barnet.gov.uk/online-applications/> using application number 19/4491/FUL.

As members of the St John's community, it would be helpful if you wished to write to or email the Council **by 17th September 2019** in support of this application, emphasising the benefits that will be obtained from the project both for the congregation and the local community at large. Please include your name, address and above application number and send postal correspondence to Planning and Building control, 2 Bristol Avenue. Colindale. NW9 4EW.

Aldi Get Set to Eat Fresh Olympic stickers

We are now collecting Olympic stickers from Aldi, which will be given out every time you spend over £30 in the store. 300 stickers will secure us some free Team GB Sports Kit and enable us to be entered in to a Cash Prize Draw! Please send any stickers collected in to school where children will be able to see them accumulate on a large wall chart in the hall!

Quiz Night! Friday 27th September 7.30pm

We are excited to announce our first SJA event of the year - our second SJA Quiz Evening! The sound system has been checked and mobile phone collection boxes for each table purchased so there will be no funny business! Tickets will go on sale next week so start arranging your teams.

Diary Dates – Autumn 2019

- Monday 16th September 3.30-4pm** – NSPCC assemblies & workshops
- Monday 16th September 3.30-4pm** – YR, Y5 & Y6 Curriculum Meetings
- Tuesday 17th September 3.20-4.15pm** – Netball trials
- Tuesday 17th September 3.30-4pm** – Y3 & Y4 Curriculum Meetings
- Thursday 19th September 3.30-4pm** – Y1 & Y2 Curriculum Meetings
- Tuesday 24th September** – Harvest Service in school
- Friday 27th September from 7.30 pm** – SJA Quiz Night
- Monday 30th September – Friday 4th October** – Scholastic Book Fair
- Wednesday 9th - Friday 11th October** – Y5 Norfolk residential trip
- Tuesday 1st October 9.15am** – Church Welcome Service for new joiners
- Thursday 3rd October** – Young Shakespeare Workshop Y5/Y6
- Friday 4th October** – Individual/sibling photos
- Monday 14th - Friday 18th October** – Y6 Bikeability course
- Thursday 17th October** – Pathway Assembly
- Monday 21st - Friday 25th October** – Half Term

Attendance and Punctuality

This week, **Years 4 and 5** had the best attendance, with a perfect **100%** – well done! Only two lates were recorded this week, so well done for such fantastic punctuality!

Class	Attendance	Punctuality
Nursery	100%	0 lates
Reception	98.2%	0 lates
Year 1	96.3%	0 lates
Year 2	99.7%	1 late
Year 3	98.0%	1 late
Year 4	100%	0 lates
Year 5	100%	0 lates
Year 6	98.3%	0 lates
Total	98.8%	2 Lates

Harvest Service –

Tuesday 23rd September at 9am

Thank you to those who have already sent in some non-perishable goods or toiletries for our Harvest collection for the Finchley Foodbank. We are continuing to collect these items up until the service so all donations will be gratefully received. We look forward to seeing you at this special service in the school hall on Tuesday 23rd September when Years 1-6 will be helping us to thank God for all of His beautiful gifts.

House Points

The House Point totals for the term are as follows:

1st	St David	251
2nd	St Patrick	151
3rd	St George	148
4th	St Andrew	121



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Love Respect Truthful Thankful Forgiveness Hope

