

# St. John's N20 Newsletter

Autumn Term 1 - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2019



HEALTHY SCHOOLS LONDON



Eco-Schools Bronze Award



Dear Parents and Carers,

We started the week with a visit from the NSPCC who spoke to us about Childline, protective adults and the rights of the child. They have also asked us to do a little fundraising for them so, next week, we are running up to a mile in silly socks and trainers. There is a class prize for the most returned forms - NOT the most money raised. The NSPCC will then return in a couple of weeks to celebrate our success. We are now in the church season of Creation-Tide, which is a time to think about God's creations, the people and animals we live with and the world we live on. This time fits perfectly with our Learning Logs that are focusing on looking after our planet; the peace marches regarding the same topic that are taking place across the world today; and our project in lower Key Stage 2 – Waste Warriors! We hope you found the Curriculum Evenings helpful and appreciated the new-design curriculum packs, including presentations that were emailed out to all parents and carers before the event. We have our Harvest Service next week and it would be lovely if you were able to join us. Our collection of non-perishable goods is looking a little sparse so please can you send as much as possible in on Monday so that we can prepare a lovely display for our Harvest Service and then donate it to our local foodbank and those who are in more need than ourselves.

Have a lovely weekend. God bless.

Mr Sweetingham.

**Nurture Encourage Challenge through Christ**

## Going Home Procedures

As from Monday, the routine for collecting your child at the end of the day is being amended slightly to improve our safeguarding procedures. A line of cones will be set out from the Year 1 classroom to the tree and we ask that parents and carers do not cross this line. Children in Years 1-3 and Year 6 will be collected from their usual position. The Year 4 class will assemble on the tarmac by the EYFS building and Year 5 will be dismissed from the area outside the Breakfast Club/After School Club. We ask for your cooperation in observing these new procedures as they will improve the safety of your children at the end of the day. Thank you.

## Foundation

The weather has been kind this week, enabling us to take part in plenty of outdoor learning. We have also enjoyed our PE sessions with Miss Hollidge in the main hall. EYFS are enjoying getting to know each other; friendships are flourishing and routines are being established. We are very proud of all of our young learners.

*Ms Stylianou*



## Achievements



<b>Nursery</b>	<b>Emma</b> – settling in beautifully. <b>Noel</b> – always tidying up so well. <b>Mia</b> – listening well and doing the right thing. <b>David</b> – settling in well and being kind.
<b>Reception</b>	<b>Arshan</b> – being so creative and sharing his creations with us all. <b>Hadia</b> – settling in to St John's Reception Class so confidently.
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Elisa</b> – always having a go and enjoying her learning with as big smile. <b>Austin</b> – showing an outstanding understanding of adjectives.
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Alex</b> – showing an excellent growth mindset and always having a go. <b>Isla S</b> – using outstanding vocabulary in her narrative writing.
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Oliver</b> – working well in a group and being focused in Dance. <b>Sofia</b> – showing excellent knowledge and enthusiasm in her times tables.
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>Teddy</b> – always concentrating, listening and having a go. <b>Maya</b> – using fantastic descriptive language and always putting in lots of effort.
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Erica</b> – writing a well-thought-out letter about being on the Sports Council. <b>Andrew</b> – writing a fantastic persuasive opening for a leaflet about Moat Mount.
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>Yahvi</b> – sharing her knowledge on Hinduism. <b>Peter</b> – showing a fantastic learning attitude.

### Class Fund

As explained at the curriculum meetings, we will now be collecting a voluntary contribution of £5 per child per half term to be used for miscellaneous projects. The money will be collected by class and allocated evenly across the school. All contributions will be gratefully received and the donation has been set up on SchoolMoney for further ease. Huge thanks!

### 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!

### Spellings

Please note that, as explained at the curriculum meetings, our spelling teaching and learning is changing from today! You will now be sent home a list of the spelling rules being taught each half term, along with some example words. Each rule will be taught across a regular series of lessons in school and an assessment will take place at the end of the series. You may support your child by discussing the spelling rules and looking at some of the example words at home.

### Welcome Miss Knight!

We are delighted to welcome Miss Knight to the St John's team! Miss Knight is our new trainee teacher who will be predominantly teaching with Ms Stylianou in Year 2. We are thrilled to have her on board!

### Diary Dates – Autumn 2019

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September** – Harvest Service in school

**(YR-Y6 parents invited)**

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September from 7.30 pm** – SJA Quiz Night

**(all welcome!)**

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October** – Scholastic Book Fair

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> - Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October** – Y5 Norfolk residential trip

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October 9.15am** – Church Welcome Service for new joiners

**(parents invited)**

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October** – Young Shakespeare Workshop Y5/Y6

**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October** – Individual/sibling photos

**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October** – Y6 Bikeability course

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October** – Pathway Assembly

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October** – Half Term

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December 9.30-10 am**– EYFS Nativity (in school)

**(all EYFS parents invited)**

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 9.30-10 am**– KS1 Nativity (in school)

**(all KS1 parents invited)**

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December 6.30-8pm**– KS2 Nativity (in church)

**(all KS2 parents invited)**

### Attendance and Punctuality

This week, **Years 3 and 6** had the best attendance, with a great **98.7%** – well done! Only two lates were recorded this week, so well done again for such amazing punctuality!

<b>Class</b>	<b>Attendance</b>	<b>Punctuality</b>
Nursery	91.6%	0 lates
Reception	94.0%	1 late
Year 1	97.4%	0 lates
Year 2	98.3%	0 lates
Year 3	98.7%	1 late
Year 4	97.7%	0 lates
Year 5	96.8%	0 lates
Year 6	98.7%	0 lates
<b>Total</b>	<b>96.9%</b>	<b>2 Lates</b>

### Harvest Service –

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> 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.

### Quiz Night! Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 7.30pm

Tickets are still on sale so get together with your friends and family and come along to support our school!

### House Points

The House Point totals for the term are as follows:

<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>St David</b>	<b>187</b>	
<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>St Andrew</b>	<b>173</b>	
<b>3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>St George</b>	<b>168</b>	
<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>St Patrick</b>	<b>156</b>	

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*(to report last minute collection or drop-off arrangements only)*



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