

St. John's Church of England Primary School Newsletter

'The JOY of the Lord is Your Strength'

(Nehemiah 8:10)



Friday 24th October 2025
Value: Respect

Half Term

In a flash the first half term finishes today and I thank you all for your support during the longest half term of the school year. Next stop is the run up to Christmas and I shall publish a full list of Christmas dates on the first newsletter back. In the meantime, I hope you have a lovely half term break and we look forward to seeing you when we return on Monday 3rd November..



Buddies

What a wonderful treat we had on Wednesday as Reception and Year 6 WOW'ed us with their very special buddy assembly. Our oldest and youngest classes have formed some beautiful friendships this year and Year 6 introduced their buddies wonderfully. Reception have made a fantastic start to their time at St. John's – in part to our Year 6 class – and we look forward to seeing them grow over the years. Save the date for when Reception are introducing their own buddy in the future.....



Remembrance

Once again we will be commemorating Remembrance Day in school with a special Worship led by Year 6. This will take place on Friday 7th November at 9:15 and we invite families of our Year 6 class to join us if they wish.

Our JOY team will be selling poppies (and a range of other items) after half term.

They will start selling items on Tuesday 4th November with the last day being Tuesday 11th November. There is a suggested donation of 20p for poppies rising to £1 for items such as the snap bands (we do limit these to 1 per child as there are never enough for everyone anyway!)

Respect **Thankfulness** **Compassion** **Truthfulness** **Trust** **Responsibility**

Our Pastoral Base Competition

We are delighted to announce that our new room at school is called **The Oasis**. A huge thank you to you all for sending so many excellent suggestions, the response was overwhelming! It took a long time to settle on the name, however the pastoral team felt that ‘The Oasis’ encapsulated the purpose of this room beautifully. Our definition being, ‘A serene, natural space in the middle of a hive of activity.’ All of the competition entries were entered into a draw to win a wellbeing bundle and I am delighted to announce the winners are:

- Raven (Y1)
- Elise (Y1)
- Joey (Y3)
- Haiden (Y5)
- Sammy (Y6)



Congratulations to our two highest Dojo point winners in each class. Today, they each received a special golden ticket which will entitle them to a special extended playtime with hot chocolate and treats after half term! A fantastic achievement by our winners. Points now reset for the next half term....

We were also delighted to announce our reading award winners in Worship today. They each win a voucher which can be used for a treat to celebrate their dedication to reading!



A massive well done to the Year 6 football team who won their cup match against BDS 13-0! With Finley scoring 4, Harrison 3, Archie & Thomas & Leighton getting 2 each. An excellent team performance that secured our place in the next round.



St. John's Superstars

Superstar Award

Year Group

J.O.Y. Award

Sienna	<u>Reception</u>	River
Millie B	<u>Year 1</u>	Anaya
Jesse	<u>Year 2</u>	Rosie
Ellie	<u>Year 3</u>	Theo
Hallie	<u>Year 4</u>	Beau
Finley	<u>Year 5</u>	Beau
Harvey M	<u>Year 6</u>	Harvey T

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: ATTENDANCE

Please keep an eye on the newsletter each week as the list of dates will be added to / amended over time. Further details of key events and festivals will be sent out nearer the time in case we need to make any logistical changes. Teachers will keep you updated on Class Dojo regarding key events for your child's class.

Good attendance is absolutely vital in ensuring your child is able to fulfil their potential in school. Our target for good attendance is at least 95% of the time in school and learning. Each week the **class** with the highest attendance will get a little extra treat and a mention in assembly.

November

Mon 3rd – Back to school
 Tues 4th – We are celebrating Anti-Bullying Week with workshops today
 Thurs 6th – PFA film night for Years 3-6
 Fri 7th – Year 6 leading our Remembrance Worship at 9:15 – families of Year 6 invited to join us.
 Mon 10th – Weds 12th – Y6 trip to Robinwood w/c 17th – Parent Teacher phone calls will take place this week – more to follow
 Tues 25th – flu vaccinations for all classes

December

Tues 2nd – Advent Eucharist in Church for Year 2-6
 Thurs 4th – PFA discos in school. 6:15-7:15 for Rec,1,2 and 7:30 – 8:30 for Y3-6
 Fri 5th – Southport Youth Workers Trust Christmas Production in the hall
 Sunday 7th – Toy and Chocolate service in Church at 10 am.
 Tues 9th – Reception Nativity at 9:30 am in the hall
 Tues 9th – Choir visiting 2 local care homes

Reception – 88.2%

Year 1 – 95.4%

Year 2 – 98.3%

Year 3 – 91%

Year 4 – 96.7%

Year 5 – 95%

Year 6 – 100%

Thought for the Week

This week we have looked at the life of Rosa Parks as part of Black History Month.

Dear Lord,

'Thank you for those people, like Rosa Parks, who have the courage to take a stand. Help each of us to take a stand when we see things around us that are unfair... So that together we can work for a better world.

Amen.'

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