

St. John's Church of England Primary School Newsletter

'The JOY of the Lord is Your Strength'

(Nehemiah 8:10)

Friday 9th October 2026
Value: Respect



Thank you!

Following our Harvest Service last week, Mr and Mrs Corbett took quite the collection of food and toiletries to Southport Foodbank – a huge thank you to everyone who donated, quite possibly, our largest amount ever!

Buddy Assembly

Reception and Year 6 parents save the date of Wednesday 21st October as this is when we invite you in for our very special buddy assembly.

Year 6 and Reception have been busy this term getting to know each other and during the assembly we will hear Year 6 tell us all about their buddy and 'officially' welcome them to St. John's. It is always a wonderful assembly and we hope you can join us at 9:15 in the hall. Come to the front entrance and we'll start letting parents in just after 9.

Term Dates

Following approval by our Governing Body, please find enclosed our term dates for the 2027-28 academic year which may come in handy when planning annual leave or holidays. These dates can also be found on our website along with the dates for this year.

Please click below to be directed to our webpage.

<https://www.stjohnsprimary.co.uk/page/term-dates/24710>

A huge well done to our footballers who were superb in the final two matches in the first half of the league this year. Two wins and a loss on our last outing were followed tonight by two excellent wins. First up was St. Pat's with a screamer from Oliver and a second from Harrison securing a 2-0 win (although it should have been a lot more!) Next was Marshside, with the goals arriving regularly in a 5-1 win with goals split around Dilan, Harrison, Theo, Beau and Harrison again. Two confident wins which will see us once again competing in the top Southport schools league in the new year!



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



A fantastic start to the new school year!

A huge well done to our pupils and families for such a positive start to the new school year, following the summer holidays. We are delighted to see so many pupils attending school regularly and making the most of every opportunity to learn, play and enjoy time with their friends. We understand that deciding whether your child is well enough to attend school can sometimes be difficult, so we would like to share useful NHS information which provides helpful advice to parents and carers about common childhood illnesses and when it is appropriate for children to remain off school. We hope you find this resource handy when making decisions about your child's health and attendance. Remember, every day matters! <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

Term Dates 2027-28

Autumn Term

INSET:	Wednesday 1 st September 2027 (School closed)
Term Begins:	Thursday 2 nd September 2027 (All years)
Half Term:	Friday 22 nd October 2027
INSET:	Monday 1 st November 2027 (School closed)
Re-Open:	Tuesday 2 nd November 2027
Close for Christmas:	Friday 17 th December 2027 at 1:45 pm

Spring Term

INSET:	Tuesday 4 th January 2028 (school closed)
Term Begins:	Wednesday 5 th January 2028
Half Term:	Friday 18 th February 2028
Re-Open:	Monday 28 th February 2028
Close for Easter:	Friday 7 th April 2028 at 1:45 pm

Summer Term

Term Begins:	Monday 24 th April 2028
Bank Holiday:	Monday 1 st May 2028 (School closed)
Half Term:	Friday 26 th May 2028
INSET:	Monday 5 th June 2028 (School closed)
INSET:	Tuesday 6 th June 2028 (School closed)
Re-Open:	Wednesday 7 th June 2028
Close for Summer:	Thursday 20 th July 2028 at 1:45 pm



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Should I keep my child off school?

Yes

Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.

St. John's Superstars

Superstar Award

Year Group

J.O.Y. Award

Isobelle	<u>Reception</u>	Margot
Theo	<u>Year 1</u>	Felicity
Raven	<u>Year 2</u>	Bella
Hallie	<u>Year 3</u>	Skye
Halle	<u>Year 4</u>	Emily
Sienna O	<u>Year 5</u>	Isaac
Isaac	<u>Year 6</u>	Heidi

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.

14.10 – re-arranged girls football tournament at Greenbank – same team
 21.10 – Buddy Assembly for parents of Reception and Year 6 – 9:15 in the hall
 22.10 – Year 5 visiting Stanley for a performance of Frankenstein – more to follow nearer the time.
 23.10 – finish for half term at 3:05/3:10 pm.
 2.11 – back to school
 6.11 – Remembrance Service led by Year 6. Parents of Y6 invited to join us at 9:15 in the hall.
 9.11 – Y6 leave for Robinwood
 9.11 – clubs re-start
 w/c 16.11 – parent teacher meetings this week – more nearer the time
 1.12 – Advent Eucharist Service – school only
 3.12 – PFA Discos – more details nearer the time
 6.12 – Toy and Chocolate Service in Church at 10 am. JOY team to mark this date please
 11.12 – Winter Wonderland Day
 w/c 14.12 – Christmas dinners and parties this week – exact days for classes to be confirmed
 18.12 – Christmas Service in Church at 9:15

Reception- 94.7%
 Year 1- 97.8%
 Year 2- 95.8%
 Year 3- 97.4%
 Year 4- 88.7
 Year 5- 98.1%
Year 6 – 99.0%

Useful contact details

School Office – 01704 227441
 FAST club – 07543960290

Prayer for the Week

Dear Lord,

Thank you that you created every person in this room unique, special, and full of value. Help us to see our school through eyes of love and kindness today.

Give us the courage to speak politely, to listen carefully, and to treat every single person with dignity. **Amen.**

Respect Thankfulness Compassion Truthfulness Trust Responsibility