



St. John's C of E Primary School Newsletter

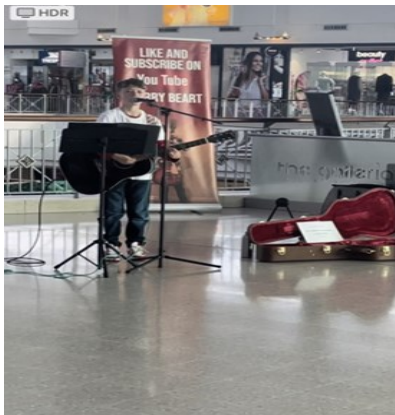
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Newsletter date: Friday 3rd November

Many thanks!

Many congratulations and many thanks to Harry Beart who, after 3 sessions busking at the Galleria during the half term break, has raised an incredible £800 for the school. An amazing achievement! We will give thought to what we would like to spend the donation on!



Class 3 visit the Roman Baths

Yesterday morning class 3 visited the Roman Baths in Welwyn. They had a really interesting morning which included workshops. The class took part enthusiastically and really enjoyed the morning. Many thanks to parents who helped with the lifts.



value of the this half term



"I came that they may have LIFE and have it abundantly"

John 10:10



Peace and Understanding



'Glory to God in the highest, and peace on earth to those with whom he is pleased.' Luke 2: 14

Congratulations to our Beacon Pupils

Class 1 - Nicole - she has shown her hard work in phonics is paying off by beginning to read her reading book carefully and accurately. She understands our classroom routines and listens carefully to instructions, helping to tidy and taking part in classroom activities. Her enthusiasm for learning and exploring is infectious and she enjoys a challenge.

Class 2 - Emma - for her beautiful manners and polite presence around the school. She is a wonderful friend to all and a kind, calm member of the class. This week she has shown great resilience in her maths work finding different fact families using equipment. She is a positive learning partner and contributes well to all discussions.

Class 3 - Astrid - has shown her love of learning throughout the week, including being both inquisitive, asking fantastic questions; and also confident in sharing her own knowledge whilst at the Roman Baths. At school her resilience in maths has been fantastic, working through written methods of subtraction (including exchanges) independently. Her enthusiasm and hard work continue throughout all of our lessons, and she continues to support her classmates both in class and outside.

Class 4 - Harry - a kind and selfless member of St John's. Being incredibly caring and intuitive towards his buddy, including looking after him and playing at break time. Showed great confidence when showing visitors around the school, answering their questions thoughtfully and giving informative tours. We were stunned by his busking efforts over half term, spending his holiday raising money for school!

A message from the LSA:

Date for your diaries

St John's School Firework Display

Friday 10th November.

Please buy your tickets!



Parliament week

UK Parliament Week is an annual event, spreading the word about what Parliament is, what it does and how you can get involved. It's a great way to find out new things about UK Parliament.

This year St John's will be taking part. For one of the activities the children will be completing a survey which is part of the Children's Commissioner's national **Big Ambition** project, which aims to hear the opinions of children about the things that would improve their lives. To find more please follow the link:

[The Big Ambition | Children's Commissioner for England \(childrenscommissioner.gov.uk\)](https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk)

Children in Need

17th November 2023

Be Spot-acular!



School council have been planning for Children in Need day they would like all the children to come in bright and/or spotty clothes that day.

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Dates for your diary

Academic Year 2023/24

Monday 6th November

Parliament week

Thursday 9th November

Remembrance Collective Worship at St.John's

Friday 10th November

LSA Firework event

Friday 17th November

Children in Need

Friday 1st December

Occasional Day

Tuesday 5th December

Choir singing at Stanborough Lodge Care Home

Wednesday 6th December

Class 3 last swimming session of the term

Friday 8th December

Christmas concert at St John's Church given by the school choir and Welwyn Garden City Male Voice Choir.

Sunday 10th December

School choir taking part in the St John's Church Carol Service.

Tuesday 12th December

Nativity performances given by class 1 and 2

2.30 p.m. and 5.30 p.m.

Wednesday 13th December

Pantomime at Campus West

Thursday 14th December

Rock Steady Concert

Monday 18th December

Christmas Lunch

Tuesday 19th December

Christmas concert (am)

Carol Service (2.30pm)

Wednesday 20th December 2023

End of the Autumn Term

More news about the 12 Days of Christmas Events to follow!

A message from Rev Kathryn..



Hello

We've just entered what's sometimes known as Kingdom Season in the church year - a time for thinking about God's Kingdom on earth and in heaven. It takes us up to Advent, which begins towards the end of November. Then the countdown to Christmas properly begins!

This Sunday's it's our All-Together Worship at 11am, and we'll be thinking about what it means to be a saint in God's Kingdom and whether we could be one! All-Together services are more informal and interactive than our other Sunday morning worship, with something to engage all ages.... including lots of biscuits afterwards.

The week after its Remembrance Sunday, with Sunday club at 11am. Faye promises a great session.

And if that wasn't enough, at 4pm on 26th November we're launching a new afternoon gathering called 'Connect @ 4', which will be particularly suitable for families.

Connect @ 4 will take the form of informal, relaxed, interactive worship in the Annexe or outside, with stories, crafts, discussion, music and more. Watch this space!

Revd Kathryn

Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to our three new starters, Danny, Tilly and Winter - we hope you have had a lovely start at St John's and look forward to your journey through our school.