



St. John's C of E Primary School Newsletter

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Friday 8th September

Welcome Back!

It has been lovely seeing all the children returning to school this week.. We have a lovely school year to look forward to. We would like to extend a warm welcome to our new children and their families in class 1 and also to Ronnie who has joined class 3.

Musicale

Just a reminder that individual music instrument lessons can be booked through a company that we have links with called Musicale. The hyperlink to the St John's page on the Musicale website is:

[St John's C of E Primary School | Musicale](#)

On Wednesday 13th September Musicale will be giving a demonstration of woodwind instruments for the children.

Dates

Clubs will be begin on the week beginning Monday 18th September.

We will be holding our **parents and teachers class meetings** during the week beginning 18th September.

Further information to follow

Stanborough School presentation- Wednesday 13th September

8.50 a.m. — 9.30 a.m.

Mrs John the Headteacher of Stanborough will be giving a presentation for all interested parents, she will be accompanied by Mr Braybrook and past St John's pupils. All parents are welcome to come along to find out about secondary school. The presentation will be in our school hall, straight after drop-off.



value of the Month



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

John 10:10

Hope and Aspiration



'For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future.'

Jeremiah 29:11

Congratulations to our Beacon Pupils

Class 2 - Rebeca - for a truly wonderful start to the new school year. She has been a beacon of behaviour for other children to follow and has assisted the Year 1s when needed. In her learning Rebeca has tried hard to write full descriptive sentences when writing about the day the crayons quit and is also working hard on her correct spelling. She has also been concentrating hard on finding ways to make different numbers using numicon and base 10.

Class 3 - Luca - he has returned to school positively and continues his fantastic attitude to learning and of caring for his classmates - particularly by helping those who are new to Class 3. He has been sharing his ideas in class, worked hard on the activities and shown excellent focus in listening and paired work.

Class 4 - Daisy - has settled brilliantly into life in Class 4. We have been really impressed with her perseverance with tricky learning, the thoughtful ideas she shares with the class and her positive attitude. Daisy listens well to others and has been polite and helpful. A fantastic, confident start to the year!



A message from the LSA:

AN INVITATION

Cheese and Wine Evening

Parents are warmly invited to our annual cheese and wine evening on Tuesday 19th September. It will be an opportunity to meet staff, governors and members of the LSA. New parents are welcome at 6.30pm, and all parents welcome from 7.00pm. The LSA AGM will follow at 7.15pm. It would be lovely to see as many of you as possible at this event. It will be an opportunity to find out about the LSA which supports our school in so many ways. Please do



Reminders

We are a **nut free** school due to serious allergies within our school community.

A reminder that **only plain silver/gold studs** should be worn as earrings to school. For PE the children need to be able to take out their earrings independently or should bring micropore tape to cover their ears. Children should not come to school with coloured nail varnish on.

School Parking

All schools in the Welwyn Hatfield area have been sent a message by Herts Police about parking on the yellow warning lines outside of schools. They will be doing patrols to check that parents are not parking on those yellow lines. I do not think we have an issue with this particular aspect of traffic around school but just so that you know that they might include us in their patrol and that area must be clear of cars. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Dates for your diary

Academic Year 2022/23

Wednesday 13th September

8.50-9.30 a.m.

Talk given by the Head of Stanborough School, Mrs John, Mr Braybrook and past pupils of St. John's for parents of class 4 in our school hall

Thursday 14th September

Rock Steady begins

Individual photos being taken by Nicola Sanders

Monday 18th September

Clubs begin

Teachers and parents' class meetings week beginning 18/9/23

Tuesday 19th September

Flu vaccinations (tbc)

Monday 25th September

Doodlebug mental health workshops

Sunday 1st October

Harvest Festival at St John's Church—choir to sing

Thursday 5th October

School's Harvest Service at St John's

National Poetry Day

October Half term

23-27 October 2023

16th—20th October

BikeAbility week for class 4

Monday 1st December

Occasional Day

Wednesday 20th December 2023

End of the Autumn Term

Thursday 4th January 2024

Start of the Spring term

February Half Term

19-23 February 2024

Children Back

A message from Rev Kathryn..



Welcome to a new school year. I hope everyone is settling in well and enjoying getting back to the routine after a Summer break. It's good to see that summer has finally decided to make an appearance in September!

For anyone who hasn't yet met me, I'm the vicar of St John's church (Rev'd Kathryn) and a school governor. I'm fortunate enough to see the children every week in Collective Worship in church at 9am on a Thursday, as well as at other times throughout the week. Parents are always very welcome to come along to Collective worship on a Thursday. The service normally last around 20 mins, and includes songs, children-led prayers and an interactive talk. This week we'll be blessing our school bags.

The children also have the opportunity to get involved in our Sunday morning worship in church in lots of different ways.

On the second Sunday of the month we hold our Sunday Club during our main 11am service. This is led by two school parents - Jo Brooks and Faye Davé, and is always popular and great fun. Our first Sunday Club of the new term is this Sunday - 10th September

On the first Sunday of the month, we hold our All-Together service, which regularly has children from St John's getting involved. Our next All-Together service is Harvest Festival on 1st October at 11am. It would be great to see you!

Looking forward to chatting to you all over the year ahead. Please do get in touch with me at any time if you'd have any questions or suggestions about church. We love new ideas!

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Rev'd Kathryn