

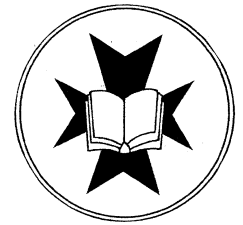
St John's Primary School and Nursery - Friday 7th December 2018-

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Week 5: w/c 3.12.18

December is finally here and Christmas preparations have begun in earnest. Please can I take this opportunity to thank Mr and Mrs Symonds for donating our magnificent hall tree? It really does feel like Christmas when the tree goes up!

Children are now starting to bring their Christmas cards into school. Please can we ask that the child's full name and class are clearly written on the envelope? This will in turn ensure that they are delivered to the correct recipient.

I hope you have a lovely weekend,

Best wishes,

Mr D Barrow
Head Teacher

Office Reorganisation

It is with much sadness that we will be saying goodbye to Lucy Morris and Lindsey Jones in the New Year. Mrs Morris was one of my first appointments when I started nearly seven years ago. During that time, she has been the most wonderfully loyal and supportive colleague, who really has gone over and above her job description. Whether that is baking cakes for Head Teacher meetings or reorganising my diary and sending me home when I have not been well, nothing has been too much trouble. We won't be saying goodbye completely because I am hoping she will still do some freelance work for us. Mrs Morris is leaving to enjoy a hopefully more flexible working pattern.

Mrs Jones has also been known to us for a long time as both a parent and member of staff. She is always a ray of sunshine and has the most wonderfully positive attitude. She has been working hard for us providing admin support and setting up a lot of the Teaching School administrative procedures. Mrs Jones will be returning to her true vocation of accountancy.

Both Mrs Morris and Mrs Jones will be staying with us until February half term to work alongside, and impart all their knowledge to, our new recruits! We have appointed Mr Tony Aston to be our new Office Manager and Mrs Stacy Clark as our Admin Officer. They will both be working five days per week. Mrs Weir will be reducing her hours as School Business Manger to three days per week.

Congratulations to our Talented Staff

Part of our remit as a Teaching School is to appoint Specialist Leaders in Education to help support school improvement across the authority. Last week I, along with Mrs Gane (Head Teacher, Priors Field), interviewed to recruit our first cohort. Included in cohort one were Mrs Eastham (who has been appointed as an SLE in SEND) and Mr Lee (SLE in Mathematics). Congratulations to both of them!

Diary Dates

Wed 12 th Dec	3.30pm-4.30pm: Nursery stay and play (January new starters)
Mon 17 th Dec	9.00am: Nursery Christmas performance
Tue 18 th Dec	2.00pm: Reception & KS1 Christmas performance #1 6.00pm: Reception & KS1 Christmas performance #2
Wed 19 th Dec	2.00pm: KS2 Christmas performance #1 6.00pm: KS2 Christmas performance #2
Thu 20 th Dec	9.15am: KS2 Christmas performance #3 12.00pm: Whole-school Christmas lunch
Fri 21st Dec	3.15pm: Break up for Christmas
Mon 7th Jan 2019	INSET day – school closed
Tue 8th Jan	Back to school
Wed 16 th Jan	12.30pm: Parent sharing lunch – 4T
Tue 22 nd Jan	PTA non-uniform day & New Year disco
Wed 30 th Jan	9.00am: 4P – class assembly
Tue 5 th Feb	pm: 4T/3B swimming – last session
Wed 6 th Feb	12.30pm: Parent sharing lunch – 4P
Fri 15th Feb	3.15pm: Break up for February half-term
w/c Mon 25 th Feb	STEM week
Mon 25th Feb	Back to school 3.30pm-5.30pm: Parents' evening
Wed 25 th Feb	4.30pm-6.30pm: Parents' evening

Class Assemblies

4P	30 th January	5S	12 th June
3B	13 th March	RK	26 th June
3TH	10 th April	6E/6L	Leavers' Assembly: Friday 19 th July
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Term Dates

AUTUMN TERM

INSET DAY CLOSURE	- Mon	3	September	2018
School opens at 8.45 am	- Tue	4	September	2018
Half-Term				
School closes at 3.15 pm	- Fri	26	October	2018
INSET DAY CLOSURE	- Mon	5	November	2018
School opens at 8.45 am	- Tue	6	November	2018

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

School closes at 3.15 pm	- Fri	21	December	2018
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SPRING TERM

INSET DAY CLOSURE	- Mon	7	January	2019
School opens at 8.45 am	- Tue	8	January	2019
Half-Term				
School closes at 3.15 pm	- Fri	15	February	2019
School opens at 8.45 am	- Mon	25	February	2019

EASTER HOLIDAY

School closes at 3.15 pm	- Fri	12	April	2019
BANK HOLIDAY GOOD FRIDAY	- Fri	19	April	2019
BANK HOLIDAY EASTER MONDAY	- Mon	22	April	2019

SUMMER TERM

School opens at 8.45 am	- Mon	29	April	2019
BANK HOLIDAY CLOSURE	- Mon	6	May	2019
Half-Term				
School closes at 3.15 pm	- Fri	24	May	2019
School opens at 8.45 am	- Mon	3	June	2019
INSET DAY CLOSURE	- Fri	21	June	2019

SUMMER HOLIDAY

School closes at 3.15 pm	- Fri	19	July	2019
INSET DAY CLOSURE	- Mon	22	July	2019

Children in Need

Thank you so much for your support with our spots, stripes and flowers non-uniform day, which raised a super £230 for this worthwhile cause.

Whizzy Wednesday Junk

Thank you so much for sending in all of your junk for our Whizzy Wednesday problem-solving projects. We now have more than enough to keep us going, so please do not send in any more!

Parking Safety

It has come to my attention that parents are parking on the yellow zig-zag lines around school. Please can I politely remind you that this is really not safe for the children? There have been several near misses because of this and I am really worried that someone will get hurt if this continues.

Out of School Club Parking

From this point on, please can we ask that users of the Out of School Club who arrive between 7.30am and 8.00am park on the Children's Centre side of the car park (on the left when you enter) please? Staff quite often have boxes of books etc. to carry in to school, so need to be able to park close to the main entrance. **Please do not park on the right hand side of the car park.** Thank you for your co-operation.

Saturday Morning Girls' Football

Age group: Years 2 – 6
Time: 11.00am – 12.00pm
Location: Kenilworth School

Free trial sessions available. For more info, call DF Sports Coaching at dfsports@icloud.com or 07931 641540.

Piano & Drum Kit Lessons

Cameron Podmore (an ex-St John's pupil) is now offering private piano and drum lessons for beginners of all ages. For more information, call 07970 348679 or email campodmore@gmail.com.

Calling Boys in Years 4, 5 & 6!

Warwickshire Choristers are recruiting new choristers. For more information, see below.