

St John's Primary School and Nursery - Friday 28th June 2019 -

Aiming high; proud to learn together.









Week Commencing 24th June 2019

I hope you have all had a good week so far and you are looking forward to the weekend. It has been a busy week, as usual, at St John's. Lots of good learning has been taking place in our final topic cycles.

It was lovely to welcome the new Reception Parents on Tuesday this week. It was also strange to be without our Year 6's on Thursday, as they spent the day at Kenilworth School.

As promised, I can confirm the new staffing structure for September 2019:

Current Class	New Class and Teacher
	NFA Mrs Fenner and Mrs Ashley
NFA	RK Ms Kelly and Mrs Baker (Friday)
Reception RK	1W Miss Cossins
Year One 1C	2B Miss Baker
Year Two 2T	3TH Mrs Tennant and Miss Harrison
Year Three 3TH	4P Miss Perkins
Year Three 3B	4E Miss Eggleton
Year Four 4P	5T Miss Taylor
Year Four 4T	5C Mrs Cirin
Year Five 5S	6L Mr Lee

Can I take this opportunity to congratulate Mr Sharp, who will be moving to a promoted position to a school in Leamington Spa?

Please note that parent induction meetings will take place on St John's Induction Day on **Wednesday** 17th July at 3.30pm and 4.30pm. If you are unable to attend, the presentations will be available on the school website.

Have a lovely weekend in the sunshine.

Mr D Barrow

Head Teacher

Amazing Arts Week!

Last week, we enjoyed a week of learning based on the creative arts. We based our learning on two paintings from the National Gallery, 'The Roman Triumph' and 'Beach Scene'. We used these pieces of art to get some wonderful writing, drama and artwork produced across the school. We were also lucky enough to have music professionals visit our school to provide singing and guitar workshops. A huge thank you to Miss Cossins and Miss Taylor for organising such wonderful learning opportunities for the children.

Warm Weather

Please could we ask that your child comes to school with a hat and wearing sun cream in the warmer weather? Children are welcome to bring in their own water bottles and water is also available throughout the day in classrooms. Thank you.

Summer Fair

Next Friday 5^{th} July will be non-uniform day. We would really appreciate your support if you could send your child in with the following items in preparation for the Summer Fair on Saturday 6^{th} July:

Year Group	Contribution
Nursery	Cakes
Reception	
Year 1	TIME
Year 2	Decorated jars filled with
Year 3	sweets
Year 4	Bottles (soft drinks, wine)
Year 5	<u>.</u>
Year 6	ÊĠĠĠ

If you are able to donate any pre-loved books or toys that would also be very much appreciated. The Children's Centre are running a chocolate tombola stall and they would be very grateful for any donations of chocolate(s).

We still need lots of helpers to make our Summer Fair a success; if you are able to help, please sign up for a slot with your child's class teacher, or speak to Mrs Baker.

What We've Been Learning This Week

Early Years Foundation Stage

In Nursery, we have been reading the story of 'The Three Little Pigs'. We have looked closely at the different materials of bricks, sticks and straw. We even had a go at making our own houses from different materials. We also made masks of the characters from the book.

In Reception, we have had a wonderful week learning all about snails. We have produced some amazing descriptive writing all about snails and created playdough snails. We also made colourful spiral snail pastel pictures. In maths, we have been impressing Mrs Baker and Mr Barrow by starting to learn some of our times tables!



Key Stage 1

In year 1, we thoroughly enjoyed celebrating Arts Week. We loved all the visits that we had; our favourite was "Hot House music". We focussed on a beach scene for all our art work and writing, and produced a fantastic collage using our sketching skills and tissue paper. We also used the piece of art to inspire a beach story.

Year 2 had a fantastic Arts Week. We really enjoyed developing our sketching skills and drawing our teddies with Ms Turk and loved the Tap 'n Groove workshop we had. We used the Beach Scene painting by Degas to inspire our learning and had a go at recreating it just from Miss Tonge's descriptions. We explored seaside holidays from the past and compared them to beach holidays now. This week we have continued our learning around Australia, comparing weather and climate and using drama to retell our new text 'Wombat Goes Walkabout'.

Key Stage 2

Year 3 enjoyed looking closely at 'Beach scene' during Arts week and using their speaking and listening skills to describe the painting for their partner to try and recreate. We used drama to try to understand what the characters were doing. We also spent the morning at Kingsley Playing fields, where we participated in a range of athletic activities against other schools. Whilst at the event we were commended for our sportsmanship. Well done Year 3!

Year 4 have been using their historical enquiry skills to make inferences about Roman musical instruments. We also learnt about the Roman invasion of Britain and the resistance led by Boudicca. We then participated in a heated debate to decide the future of the Celtic tribes.

Year 5 thoroughly enjoyed Arts week last week! We created our versions of the painting 'A Roman Triumph' by making freeze frames in groups. We also studied 'Living on a Prayer' by Bon Jovi in music and everyone enjoyed singing their hearts out all afternoon.

Year 6 play rehearsals are in full swing! The songs, dancing and acting are coming along nicely and we can't wait to start practising with props and costumes. We've also had multiple visits from teachers at Kenilworth School as part of our transition work.

Vacancies

We have a vacancy for a Midday Supervisor from September. We are also looking to appoint new cleaners. Please speak to Mr Aston in the office if you are interested.

Kenilworth Carnival

Well done to all the year 3 parents for their superb efforts with the Harry Potter themed carnival float. We wish them all the best for Saturday – please do go along and support them if you can!



Accidental injuries are a major health problem throughout the United Kingdom. They are one of the most common cause of death in children over one year of age, however, most of these accidents are preventable through increased awareness, improvements in the home environment and greater product safety. For further advice and information on accidents and safety please visit www.rospa.com or www.capt.org.uk. Information regarding personal safety, bullying and online safety can be found on www.safetynetkids.org.uk.

The opportunity to discuss any health issues relating to your child is always available and The School Health and Wellbeing Service can be contacted on 03300 245 204 or confidentially text ChatHealth Parentline on 07520 619 376.

Diary Dates – Summer Term 2019

Date	Event
Wed 3 rd July	Reception: parent sharing lunch
Wed 3 rd July	Year 2 trip to Twycross Zoo
Fri 5 th July	Non-uniform day
Sat 6 th July	Summer Fair
Tuesday 9 th July	Year 6 end of year Performance
Wed 10 th July	Year 4 trip to the Herbert Art
	Gallery
Fri 12 th July	Reports to parents
Wed 17 th July	Parent Information meetings
	3.30pm and 4.30pm
Wed 17 th July	Induction Day - classes move up
	a year for the day
Friday 19 th July	Year 6 leaver's assembly