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# 23rd September 2022

Our School Christian Vision - 'Working together to build a firm foundation for learning and caring.'

Rooted in Matthew 7 24 - 25 'Therefore everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock.'

# Message from the Headteacher

This week we have welcomed our leaders of St John's into their new roles. Representatives from our school council, ethos group, mental health champions, rotakids and digital leaders all spoke in collective worship explaining which area of the school they are focussing on improving. Our school council have got straight to work this week educating our children about recycling.

Mrs Monks and I have had the pleasure of spending some time in Year 6 this week, looking at books, talking to children about their learning and being involved in lessons. We were both particularly impressed by the children's attitude to learning, their use of vocabulary and resilience in tackling some tricky concepts. Presentation needs improving for some but this is a focus for us across the school this year.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mrs West-Gaul

#### **VALUE OF THE TERM - LOVE**



Christians believe that their attitudes and actions must reflect the kindness, mercy and compassion of Jesus and the love of God for everyone.

# **Dates for your Diary**

26th September: PTA AGM, 3.15pm.

28th September, 5.30pm: Little Wandle Information Evening - Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2

parents

7th October, 9am Harvest Festival in St. John's Church

18th & 19th October: Parents Evenings 20th October: PTA Disco & Mufti Day

21st October: INSET Day 24th - 27th October Half Term

### **REMINDER - PTA AGM**

# Monday 26th September, 3.15pm

All welcome to hear about upcoming plans and information on joining.

## **REMINDER - Little Wandle Information Evening**

# Wednesday 28th September, 5.30pm

Parent Information Session on the new Little Wandle Letters and Sounds revised phonics and reading programme for parents with children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS!**

As a school, St John's have achieved the School Games Gold Mark for 2021/22. The award recognises excellent participation in PE across the school, through competitions held locally and nationally and the links the school has with the local community. Well done St John's!"





# Awards of the Week

Well done to all of our pupils who have achieved an award this week!

|                | Star of the Week | Star Reader (including last week's Star Readers) |
|----------------|------------------|--|
| Ash class      | George           | Emily  |
| Birch class    | Mackenzie        | Sophie B   |
| Chestnut class | Maisie           | Freya  |
| Elm class      | Brie             | -  |
| Hazel class    | April            | Jack D   |
| Holly class    | Avery            | Henry M  |
| Maple class    | Ashley           | Nola & Poppy T                                   |
| Oak class      | Mason F          | Kara J   |
| Pine class     | Ethan            | Rowan  |
| Rowan class    | Jayden           | Poppy & Sophie P                                 |
| Sycamore class | Freddie D        | Josh & Dylan P                                   |
| Willow class   | Ben              | Jess Harry Y                                     |

# **Doodle Maths**

Class 2A is the top Doodle Maths class this week, for a second week running.



The school has registered for a Back-to School Competition with Doodle Maths for the chance for classes to win a bundle of educational goodies.

As an incentive to complete the 10 minutes of daily doodling, pupils can earn a virtual back to school badge. Pupils need to be in the green zone for 14 consecutive days from Friday 23rd September to Thursday 6h October.

# **School Dinners**

A reminder that school dinners should be booked by Midday on a Thursday for the following week. Should, for any reason, you fail to book meals by this deadline, please arrange to provide packed lunches for your children.

### National Recycling Week

This week has been National Recycling Week and our school council has been busy promoting this year's theme: 'Let's Get Real!'

This has involved discussions with the children about the importance of recycling and how to do it properly. Our school council discovered that most people did not realise that our recycling needs to be properly cleaned before it can be recycled.

As part of their efforts to spread this message, the school council organised a 'recycling scavenger hunt,' which took place on Wednesday during lunch time.



All children were invited to search for recyclable material hidden around their play area. When they found an item, they brought it to the school council's recycling point. Once children had placed their rubbish into the correct boxes, they were awarded points for their finds. Our winners were Harper, Mabel, Daragh and Esmae.

Well done to all of the people who got involved!









### Bath Area Play Project October Half Term

For families of SEND children, please see below the online link for the October Half term Playscheme Request form. Deadline for entries is Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September but any requests after this will be added to a waiting list.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx? id=NLp6YaMt2UCGYOv9kDgCFpJNVtdr96BKkQRujeSvaH5URU9QUVNZWEtDR0cxSTBWM0g2MThYNT NVOC4u

# **Out of School Achievements**

Well done to Erin in Willow class, who took part in a gala at Frome, on Saturday with Norton Radstock Swimming Club, getting two new PBs.





Harry in Chestnut class, was very proud to receive his Blue Peter Sports badge for working hard practicing Badminton.

# Libraries for the Children of B&NES -Survey

# Calling all parents and carers of 0-11-year-olds!

Do you bring children to our libraries?

If not, why?

What would encourage you to use our services?

Take part in our online survey:

http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/parentscarerslibraries to complete the survey online by 10th October 2022 or, scan the QR code







Bath & North East Somerset Council Improving People's Lives Pinterest:

@BanesLibraries https://bathneslibraries.wordpress.com

# **EVENTS & ACTIVITIES**

Here's what is happening in your Libraries this week

Digital All Social Media

**NHS Better Health** 

August - September

24 - 30 September

- 2 October

1 October

Banned Books Week,

Climate & Biodiversity Festival, 24 September

Fun Palaces Weekend,

Children's Book Review

Bathnes Libraries Blog

30 September - 2 October

w/c 26 September

For any ticketed events, the link will be online via Social Media or via the blog.

#### **Bath Central Library**

Storytime Sessions, Family Fun 27 September Tuesday 10.30 - 11.00 am

**Banned Books Week Display** 

Monday - Saturday

24 - 30 September

Bath Children's Literature Festival Venue 23 September - 1 October

Book Tickets Directly with Lit Fest

Nature Tales in the Park with Foxglove Forest School Sydney Gardens - Climate & **Biodiversity Fest** 

Friday 10.00 - 12.00 pm 30 September \*For Under Fives, No Booking Required.

Special Mermaid Storytime, Family Fun

Saturday 10.30 - 11.30 am \*No booking required

#### **Keynsham Library**

Baby Bounce & Rhyme, Family Fun Tuesday 9.30 - 10.00 am 27 Septer 10.30 - 11.00 am

#### Midsomer Norton Library

Baby Bounce & Rhyme, Family Fun 11.00 - 11.30 am 26 September

Storytime Sessions, Family Fun Wednesday 10.30 - 11.00 am 28 September







