

20th October 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

We have reached the end of a very busy, fun filled and productive half term - and this week has been no exception!

Year 2 have been on their visit to the library, and made St John's proud with their excellent behaviour and great listening skills.

Year 6 have complimented our already full programme of PE with an extra fun, gymnastics session in the hall.

The team who entered the Poetry slam at Writhlington Theatre, did themselves and the whole school community proud—well done and thank you to all who were involved.

Another huge thank you to our wonderful PTA, for the fantastic disco this evening - the children are having an absolute blast with Rocky as I write this!

We all hope that the children have a well earned rest over half term and we look forward to seeing them back, ready for term 2!

With best wishes for a restful break,

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

Fri 21st Oct: INSET Day

24th - 27th Oct: Half Term Holiday

Mon 31st Oct: Term 2 starts

Friday 4th Nov: PTA Christmas Craft Workshop

Fri 11th Nov: Wear Red - Poppy Appeal

Mon 14th Nov: Wear Blue - Diabetes Awareness

Friday 18th Nov: PTA Christmas Craft Workshop

Sat 26th Nov: PTA Christmas Fete

Tues 6th Dec: Year 2 Carols by Candlelight

Wed 7th Dec: Reception Nativity, 1.30pm

Thurs 8th Dec: Year 1 Nativity, 5pm

Wed 14th Dec: Christmas Dinners

Thurs 15th Dec: Christmas Services

Fri 16th Dec: PTA Christmas Mufti Day

PTA Christmas Craft Workshops

4th & 18th November—3pm-4.30pm, £2 per session

The PTA will be holding 2 crafting sessions during November in preparation for our Christmas Fete and if your child would like to attend, please contact the PTA: stjohnsmsnpta@outlook.com

School Dinners



We have been made aware that there are changes due to be made to the school menu, that will come into effect straight after the half term break.

We are assured that if your child's menu is affected, you will be alerted through ParentPay tomorrow.

Please look out for this communication, and/or check that your child's selections are correct before Thursday 27th October.

Awards of the Week

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



Top Doodling Class

Doodle Maths: Chestnut Class

Congratulations to all the pupils in the green zone!

	Star of the Week	Star Readers
Acorns	James Maeva	
Ash class	Riley	Bella
Birch class	Leo	Freddie
Chestnut class	Lola	Charlie
Elm class	Reuben	Sophie
Hazel class	Jacob	Gabriel
Holly class	Isla	Isla
Maple class	Annabelle	Jake
Oak class	Ella	Wesley
Pine class	Alicia	Owen
Rowan class	Poppy	Evie
Sycamore class	Rebecca	Eliza
Willow class	Sam	Archie

Poetry Slam

On Monday 17th October, a team of Year 3s and Year 4s visited Writhlington Theatre to perform and compete in a poetry slam.

Both teams wrote fantastic poems all about autumn and had been practicing lots, but it still took some real bravery and courage to get up on the stage in front of all those people!

Unfortunately we didn't win, but we had such a fun night performing, listening to other schools and we even came away with a medal and certificate each.

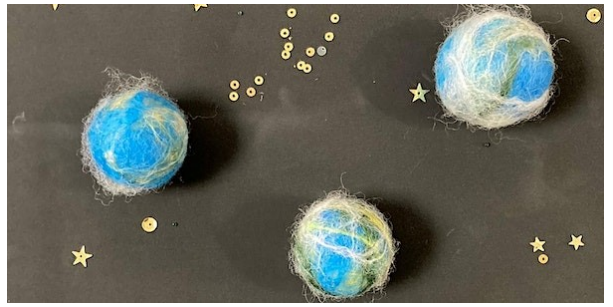
Well done to all the pupils who performed and a big thank you to the grown ups who accompanied and supported the children.



Half Term Activities at Wells Cathedral

GAIA has landed at Wells Cathedral! And we're delighted to be offering some exciting activities for families over the **October break**.

Come and see Luke Jerram's touring artwork – a 7 metre model of the earth as it looks from space!



You can pick up a free **Earth Explorer Trail leaflet** which takes you on a tour of the Cathedral whilst picking up tips on how to become a Steward of the Earth, or book onto a **felting workshop** where children can make their own mini-Gaia as a beautiful souvenir of their visit.

For further information, visit <https://www.wellscathedral.org.uk/cathedral-events/gaia/>

Visitor to year 6 (Wednesday 12th October 2022)



Last week, our year 6 pupils were visited by a representative from the Bath Islamic Centre.

Abdul, who is a 19 year old physics student from Yemen, very kindly spoke to our children about his faith and what it means to be a Muslim.

He focused particularly on how Muslims show commitment to God, which is our children's key enquiry question in RE this term.

The children all did St. John's proud by listening intently and respectfully. They also engaged well by asking lots of questions.

Reading in Year 2

This week Year 2 visited Midsomer Norton library. Whilst there, the children listened carefully to a story and were then given the opportunity to explore the books available.

Each child chose a book to bring back to school which they have been enjoying within the class.



Gymnastics In Year 6

Year 6 had a great time today, exploring the gymnastics equipment in the school hall.

They practised jumping, balancing, climbing, throwing and catching, using all of the PE equipment. They had loads of fun - even Mr Yarlett couldn't resist joining in!



Out of School Achievements

Freddie-Jae got his purple belt at Martial Arts, passed stage 1 Swimming and can swim 5 metres!

Wow Freddie-Jae, what a brilliant week, well done!



Christmas workshop

We will be holding 2 Christmas workshops on the 4th and 18th November in the cookery room 3pm-4:30pm.

We will provide the children with a drink and biscuit in return for some crafts to decorate the school. At the end of term these will be returned to your child to bring home. There will be limited spaces available, so to submit your interest please email stjohnsmsnpta@outlook.com.

There will be a £2 charge which will be required once your space has been confirmed.

