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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.'

It has been another great week at St John's and lovely to see some sunshine, albeit with freezing temperatures! Please make sure the children come to school each day with appropriate clothing for the weather conditions so we can maximise the amount of time the children spend outdoors.

Yesterday I was lucky enough, along with other members of staff, to accompany our choir to the Young Voices 2023 Concert at the O2, London, I have to say that, once again, it was a phenomenal experience! 8,500 young voices from schools across the country filled the O2 and this year, the children were lucky enough to accompany Heather Small! I would like to say a huge 'well done and thank you' to all the children who attended. You represented St John's so beautifully and certainly made the staff feel proud. I also need to say another huge 'thank you' to all the staff who accompanied the children. Miss Rowse and Miss Wood deserve a special mention for all the months they have dedicated to choir rehearsals and organising the trip. If you were able to attend the concert as a parent, I hope you enjoyed it and felt just as proud of your children as we did!

Our visits to Midsomer Norton Library begin again next week. The class teachers will let you know when it is your child's turn to visit. If you have any library books that need returning at home, please return these to school so they can be taken back.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend!

Mrs Monks



CHRISTIAN VALUE OF THE TERM: WISDOM

'Wisdom is worth much more than precious jewels' - Proverbs 8:11

Dates for your Diary

6th-10th Feb: Children's Mental Health Week

Thurs 9th Feb: PTA Disco

Fri 10th Feb: PTA Non uniform day (£1)

Fri 10th Feb: Last Day of Term 3

Parent Partnership

Thank you to those who have expressed an interest in representing your child's class. We still have a few classes who are not being represented.

Please contact the office if you are interested in the opportunity as, unfortunately, if we do not have the range of classes being represented, we will not be able to run this initiative.

If you would like further information, please let us know.

Many thanks, Mrs Monks

Join our PTA!

Our parents association is looking for new helpers and volunteers to help with the many fund raising activities and events that they organise for our children throughout the year, including the Summer Fair, Christmas Fair, Elfridges, year 6 leavers party and hoodies, discos, non-uniform days... to name just a few.



If you can spare a few hours or would like to be more involved, perhaps as a member of the committee - please contact stjohnsmsnpta@outlook.com.



Awards of the Week

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





Top Doodling Class

Doodle Maths: Willow (6B)

Congratulations to all the pupils in the green zone!

	Star of the Week	Star Readers
Acorns	Nancy	-
	Oliver	-
Ash class	Sonny	Lucas
Birch class	Senna	Orri
Chestnut class	Freya	Aoife
Elm class	Amelia L	Zena
Hazel class	Dilly	Ava
Holly class	Carly	Rudi
Maple class	Teddy	Zachary
Oak class	Chloe	Mason F
Pine class	Esme	Miley
Rowan class	Beau	Jayke
Sycamore class	Lily-Ocean	Izzy
Willow class	Regan	Jess



EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

w/c 23 January

Bath Central Library

Storytime Session Tuesday 10.30 - 11.00am 24 Jan Tuesday

Baby Bounce & Rhyme, Family Fun Wednesday 11.00 - 11.30 am 2 25 Jan

Art in the Library - Tin City by Jo Nye Mon - Sat During opening hours 5 Jan - 24 Feb

Lego Lab, Family Fun Drop In

During opening hours

Sensory Space, for families with children and young adults with sensory needs

Mon - Sat, Book a Session via Eventbrite

Keynsham Library

Baby Bounce & Rhyme

9.30 - 10.00am 10.30 - 11.00am

124 Jan

25 Jan

Storytime & Craft

Thursday 11.00 - 11.30 am 26 Jan

Midsomer Norton Library

Baby Bounce & Rhyme

11.00 - 11.30am 23 Jan

Storytime Sessions

Wednesday 10.30 - 11.00 am

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



Citizenship and Character Award

This week. Maisie and Freya have used pipe cleaners and beads to create something to help them feel calm. This is from the 'Developing Me' section of the Citizenship and Character Award passport. If you have any pipe cleaners (string will also work) and beads lying around your house, why not do the same! Here are another two suggestions for this weekend:

- •Clean your bedroom (Physical Me) This will definitely go down well with your grown-ups!
- •Find out about a local job (Local Me) Do you have a family member that works locally? Why not ask them some questions about what their job involves! On Monday, share what you have learned with your teacher.



Learning in Year 2

In PSHE this week, we took it in turns to talk about our achievements and how they made us feel happy. We all agreed that when we achieve something new, we feel very



proud of ourselves! All of the children came up with super reasons to be proud and also enjoyed listening to other children's ideas.



Ten Pin Bowling Outing

This week a group of children took part in an inclusive Ten Pin Bowling event. The children were extremely well behaved, represented the school exceptionally and had an amazing morning filled with laughter and team spirit. Well done and thank you to all of you who were involved!







World Religion Day

On Monday the whole school enjoyed celebrating World Religion Day. This started in 1950 in the USA, but is now celebrated all over the world on the 3rd Sunday of the year. Its aim is to promote interfaith understanding and harmony and to unite everyone whatever their faith.

Each year group chose to explore a different faith and these included Islam in Reception, Shinto in year 6 and Buddhism in yr 4. At the end of the day we had the opportunity to share some of the lovely activities that had been going on in each class!









Reading in Acorn Class

Acorn class are really enjoying their ERIC (Everyone Reading In Class) sessions and are getting very good at spotting sounds and reading words in their books. All our groups are named after our favourite book characters and we are enjoying the lovely new reading books!



The voting station is being used to choose our daily story and the book corner is still a favourite place during continuous provision! This term we are enjoying exploring lots of traditional tales!







Out of School Achievement

Congratulations and well done to Loula in year 1 for earning your swimming level 3 and 25 meter swim badges... amazing!







Vacancy: Happy Mojos Holiday Club Practitioner

Happy Mojos, who have recently started running holiday clubs here at St John's are looking for a Holiday Club Practitioner. The successful applicant would need:

- > To work well with the team at the holiday club
- > To approach your role positively and full of encouragement
- > To prepare and execute activities
- > To engage in play-based activities with the children
- > To always respond to the needs of the children positively
- > To meet the needs of every individual child
- > To respect all individuals and communicate with a professional manner
- > To manage areas, keeping them clean, tidy, and free of hazards
- > To manage food times, including delivery, clearing and cleaning
- > To continue to develop through CPD opportunities (food hygiene, mental health etc)
- > To manage administrational tasks, eg, causes for concerns, accident/ incident forms et al following Happy Mojos policies, procedures, and practice.

The role is completely flexible to meet your needs. If you have children yourself (5-11 years), they can come and join in the fun! It would be wonderful if a member of the St John's community was successful in applying, so if you are interested, please email office@stjohnsmsn.co.uk and we will forward your details to Happy Mojos, or see www.happymojos.co.uk for more information.

