

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

It has been an unseasonably warm welcome back to school this week. The children have settled into new routines well and it has been lovely to see some old friendships reconnecting and some new relationships developing.

As always we have started the year reminding ourselves of the school vision 'Working together to build a firm foundation for learning and caring' and the Bible story 'Wise Man and the Foolish Man' which underpins this. In collective worship this week we have explored what this looks like in school alongside our three golden rules 'Ready, Respectful and Caring'.

Your child has brought home with them the St John's Agreement this week. All children have discussed their commitment in school and what this looks like 'day to day'. The children would like to share this with you and ask that you read and sign the parent/carer section and return to school ASAP.

As well as welcoming our new children into Acorns class, we have also welcomed many new children and their families to the St John's community this September. It is my pleasure to welcome you all and we hope your children continue to be happy here.

We have also welcomed new staff members; both teachers and teaching assistants to St John's. Our new staff have joined an amazing team who will continue to support and care for your children when they are in school. We formally welcomed them to the St John's family by presenting them with a pebble to place in the Koinonia dish.

At the end of the last academic year, we were sad to say a last minute 'farewell' to Mrs Pughe. Mrs Pughe worked at St John's for a number of years and has supported so many children to enable them to flourish and grow. She will continue her journey of working with children in a new school and I hope you will join me in wishing her all the very best. We will certainly miss you Mrs Pughe.

As always we look forward to working closely with you all this year and sharing your child's learning journey with you.

Mrs Monks



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.

Parent Reminders

School Learning Agreements

All children have brought home a School Learning Agreement, that they have discussed in class and agreed to. Please could all parents/carers also read and sign the agreement and return to the class teacher by **Wednesday 13th September**.

Somervale Car Park

Please be reminded to park only in designated car parking spaces, unless otherwise directed by the car parking staff. Blocking the coach lane can cause significant disruption. Please also remember to be courteous to the staff, they are there for the safety of our children.

Smart Watches

Please be reminded that smart watches should not be worn in school.

Dates for Your Diary

11 Sept	After school clubs begin
12 Sept	First Year 3 swimming Session
12 Sept	Teacher training - no after school clubs (except Gardening)
18 & 19 Sept	School Photographs
19th Sept	Pupil flu vaccinations
11th Oct	Harvest Festival, 9am St. John's Church

Please also see the key dates list attached



Awards of the Week

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



Top Doodling Class

Not all children have their log-ins for Active Learn (Doodle Maths), so watch this space for an update next week!

Congratulations to all the pupils in the green zone!

	Star of the Week	Star Readers
Acorns	-	-
Ash class	Hugh	-
Birch class	Amelia	-
Chestnut class	Rosie	Evelyn
Elm class	Lola	Senna
Hazel class	Louie	Albie
Holly class	Sophie	Josh
Maple class	Grayson	Avery
Oak class	Finley	Olivia
Pine class	Ella	Mason F
Rowan class	Bella	Poppie
Sycamore class	Phoenix	Nikita
Willow class	Josh C	Charlie S

After School Clubs

St John's extra curricular clubs start next week. If you have applied for a club for your child but have not heard, please contact the office. Similarly, if your child has decided that they would like to apply for a club but has missed the deadline, there are limited spaces available in some clubs (School Newspaper, Forest School, Gardening, Yr3-4 Football, Netball, Homework Club), so please email the office with your request, and we will allocate those last places on a first come, first served basis.

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT DUE TO ESSENTIAL STAFF TRAINING, ALL CLUBS ON TUESDAYS (WITH THE EXCEPTION OF GARDENING) START ON 19TH SEPTEMBER.

Bristol Sport Foundation will also again be delivering after school sports clubs at St John's:

Mondays: Year 1 & 2 Football, Year 3-6 Football
 Tuesdays: Year 1 & 2 MultiSports, Year 3-6 Dodgeball
 Wednesdays: Year 1 & 2 Tag Rugby, Year 3-6 Tag Rugby

These are all charged at £3.50 per session, bookable via [The Bristol Sport Foundation website](#)

