



Next Steps @ St Johns



Working together to build a firm foundation for learning and caring

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This week at Nursery ...

29th September 2023

This week at Next Steps we have been very busy!



On Monday we welcomed Michelle back for our weekly Physical Mindfulness sessions. This is a focussed session where children are taught movements, stretches and breathing techniques as well as the opportunity to explore new toys and sensory items to promote well being.



The sessions help to teach our Christian Value of the term through stories and songs. These sessions will run on a Monday afternoon during term time.



STAR OF THE WEEK Daisy



**For always helping
her friends.**

Well done!





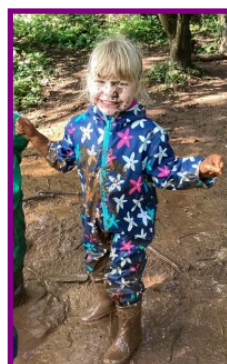
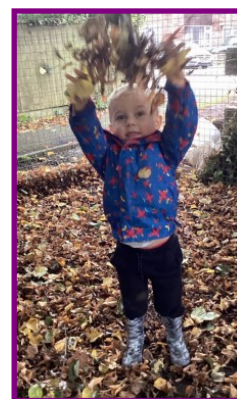
We have also been to the woodland and zone 5 for forest school activities this week. The children have been exploring their environment and learning about safety in the woods.



We had a lovely time throwing leaves into the air and the highlight for many of the children were the muddy puddles left by the recent rain!



Please can you provide your children with named wellies and waterproofs if you haven't already done so.





We made playdough and then enjoyed listening to music and waking up our bodies with some dough gym!

Your children may have come home and said that we have made Christmas cards this week. This may seem a little early, however the PTA send them off to print so that families can order packs of cards created by them to hand out in time for Christmas. We will keep you posted on when we receive these back. The orders placed raise money for the school and nursery.



The children have really enjoyed sharing family pictures with their friends on the interactive white board. It has been a lovely way to encourage conversation between the children. They have all enjoyed seeing their own faces on the screen. Please continue to upload these photos and also anything you would like to share with us such as holidays/days out or achievements. If you need help to do this, please ask a member of staff.



Nursery Closure Dates

Please note the following dates when the nursery will be closed:

Christmas: Monday 25th December - Wednesday 3rd January inclusive.
Nursery will re-open on Thursday 4th January

Easter: Friday 29th March - Monday 8th April inclusive.
Nursery will re-open on Tuesday 9th April.

Monday 6th May: Bank Holiday

Monday 27th May: Bank Holiday

Summer Closure: 5th August - 16th August inclusive.
Nursery will re-open on Monday 19th August.

26th August: Bank Holiday

Are you choosing a school for your child for September 2024?

We know that choosing a school for your child is one of the most important decisions you make as parents.

To provide parents with an opportunity to learn more about our school and our ethos, we are inviting you to visit the school for a presentation followed by a tour of the school.



Open Mornings

Tuesday, 17th October, 9.30am

Tuesday, 31st October, 9.30am

Friday, 3rd November, 9.30am

Places are limited so must be booked in advance by contacting the School Office on 01761 412019.

We can offer:

- Dedicated teaching rooms for cookery, music and pottery
- Forest school sessions
- Extra-curricular clubs
- Large playing fields and playgrounds with age-appropriate activity areas
- Outdoor classroom



St. John's Primary School is a 'Good' School:

"Pupils behave well in school... Classrooms are calm and pupils work hard. In the playground, pupils socialise happily together."

"Pupils are taught a well-considered curriculum to support their broader development. This is a particular strength of the school."

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