

Purple Pages



Weekly Newsletter: 19th June 2026

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."



CHRISTIAN VALUE OF THE TERM: HONESTY



Message from the Headteacher

This week we held our annual sports day, a huge thanks to Miss Maggs for organising both the field and track events and to all of you that were able to join us as spectators. Although the morning was a little wetter than expected, we persevered and the weather improved for us come the afternoon. Not all year groups were able to complete their field events so we will be announcing the winners next Friday (26th June) at 2:45pm. If it is dry we will do this on the school field and you are all welcome to join us, if not we will announce it to the children in collective worship.

Next week is Arts Week and this year's theme is flourishing - we look forward to seeing how each year interprets the theme through a variety of media. We will be holding our annual art gallery in the studio on Friday 26th June after school.

Next week we will also be holding our Teddy Bear's Picnic on Friday morning to welcome all of our new children and families joining us in September.

New classes for next year have been announced further on in this newsletter. The children will have the opportunity to meet their new teacher during our shuffle up morning on Thursday 2nd July. With this in mind there are some staff changes; we have appointed Mrs Stone as Deputy Head from September, for those of you that know Mrs Stone you will know how instrumental she is in the school and how much she will bring to the position. We have also appointed a new SENDCo, Mrs Spikings, a very experienced SENDCo who has worked across a variety of schools. Miss Scriven will also be rejoining the team. For those of you that don't know, Miss Scriven worked at St John's a few years ago and is returning in September to take up a class teacher position once again.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mrs West-Gaul

Dates For Your Diary

June	
22nd -26th	Art Week
23rd	Open Morning for Prospective Reception 2027 Starters. 9.30am
25th	Year 6 Moving Up Celebrations at Bath Abbey
29th	Year 4 Trip to Holburne Museum
July	
3rd	PTA Summer Fete & Non-uniform Day
6th	Year 2 Trip to Holburne Museum
8th	Year 6 Production, 6pm
14th	Acorns Trip to Noah's Ark
17th	Year 6 Leavers Service, 1.45pm
20th & 21st	INSET Days



Will your child be starting school in September 2027?

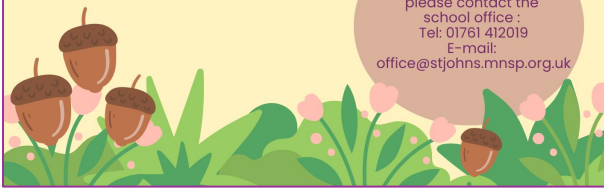
OPEN MORNING
TUESDAY 23rd JUNE
9.30am

We understand that choosing a school for your child is one of the most important decisions you can make.

We invite you to join us for an Open Morning with a presentation and tour of the school.

We look forward to welcoming you to the school and showing you all the exciting activities and opportunities we offer.

To register your interest, please contact the school office:
Tel: 01761 412019
E-mail: office@stjohns.mnsp.org.uk



Awards and Achievements

Well done to all our pupils who have achieved an award.



	Star of the Week	Star Reader
Acorns	Elijah Remi	Daisy Eddie
Ash	Alfie	Woody
Birch	Eden	Molly
Chestnut	Lyra	Jack
Elm	Isla	Stanley
Hazel	Libby	Ayda
Holly	Harlowe	Jasper
Maple	Jaxon Shakai	Jake
Oak	Myka	Bella
Pine	Flynn	Matthew
Rowan	Jack H	Isabella
Sycamore	Eden	Anna
Willow	Jack S Jacob	William

Top Doodle Class

ASH



Hot Chocolate Friday

We had a bumper Hot Chocolate gathering last Friday with two weeks of Stars gathering to enjoy their hot chocolate treat.

Well done everyone!



General Notices

With the hot weather set to continue into next week, we will be making some temporary adjustments to help keep the children as cool and comfortable as possible.

From Monday 22nd to Friday 26th, we will be relaxing our uniform policy. During this period, children may wear either:

- Their usual school uniform (with no ties if they are wearing shirts), or
- Their PE kit.

We will review these arrangements on Friday and let you know if any changes are needed for the following week.

To help us keep everyone safe in the warm weather, please ensure that your child comes to school each day with:

- Suncream applied before arriving at school
- A sunhat
- A named water bottle

We will also be adapting the children's timetables and activities throughout the day to minimise time in the heat.

ignite sport
after school sports clubs
term 6
St John's C of E Primary School

Best Seller! **NEW!** **NEW!** **NEW!**

Years R-3	All Years	All Years	All Years	Years 2-6
Football	Gymnastics	Summer Sports	Dance	Girls Football
Monday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Wednesday

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- **Safe, Supervised, and Structured** – every session is led by qualified coaches with years of experience!
- **Smiles every Session** – children leave buzzing with energy and stories to tell!
- **Fun Guaranteed** – fun, games based sessions with plenty of action!

For more information check our website

www.ignite-sport.co.uk

Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, TikTok icons

General Notices

A Reminder About Vaping on School Grounds

We would like to remind all parents and carers that vaping is not permitted anywhere on the school site, including at the start and end of the school day.

We also ask that, if you do vape, you are mindful of where you keep your vape device. Please ensure it is stored securely in a bag or pocket and take care not to drop or leave devices on the school grounds.

Recently, a young child found a used vape near the play equipment, that had been dropped at the end of the school day. Thankfully, the situation was dealt with safely, but it serves as an important reminder that discarded vape devices can pose a risk to children.

Thank you for your support in helping us keep our school environment safe for everyone.

Parking

Please be mindful of local residents when parking to drop-off and pick-up. We have been informed that parents are using the visitor bays in St. Chad's Green and blocking the pavements. There are plenty of car parks in the town centre within walking distance.

Art Week

To conclude our Art Week on the theme 'Flourishing' next week, we will be presenting an exhibition of pupils creative work in the studio. Please do join us to view the gallery after school on Friday (26th June), and before and after school on the following Monday (29th June)

Summer Sports Camps

Ignite Sports will be holding a comprehensive choice of sports camps throughout the summer break. To book your child's activities, go to: [Summer Sports Camps - St John's](#)

School Dinner Menus

Please note the MNSP school dinner menus from September are available to view on the school [website](#). A reminder that we will continue to accept bookings on School Grid until midnight each Thursday for the following week. Should you forget to book a meal by this deadline, please provide your child with a packed lunch.

09:00 - 15:30 **ignite sport** **Years R-6**

SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS
St John's C of E Primary School

1	Mon 20 th July Tues 21 st July Wed 22 nd July Thurs 23 rd July Fri 24 th July	Gymnastics Summer Sports Nerf, Dodgeball & Archery Dance OR Football Musical Theatre	
2	Mon 27 th July Tues 28 th July Wed 29 th July Thurs 30 th July Fri 31 st July	Nerf, Dodgeball, Archery & Football Summer Sports Dance OR Multi-Sports Musical Theatre OR Multi-Sports Nerf, Dodgeball, Archery & Football	
3	Mon 3 rd Aug Tues 4 th Aug Wed 5 th Aug Thurs 6 th Aug	Nerf, Dodgeball & Archery Summer Sports Football Dance OR Multi-Sports	
4	Mon 10 th Aug Tues 11 th Aug Wed 12 th Aug Fri 14 th Aug	Football Summer Sports Nerf, Dodgeball & Archery Dance	
5	Mon 17 th Aug Fri 21 st Aug	Nerf, Dodgeball, Archery & Football Dance	
6	Mon 24 th Aug Tues 25 th Aug Friday 28 th Aug	Nerf, Dodgeball & Archery Summer Sports Football	
Tues 1 st Sept		Nerf, Dodgeball, Archery & Football	

BOOK NOW!

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Class Structure from September

Current Class 2025-26	2026-27 Class	Teacher
R Acorns (please see separate letter)	1A Ash	Miss Maggs and Mrs Powell
	1B Birch	Miss George
1B Birch Class	2A Chestnut	Mrs Haigh
1A Ash Class	2B Elm	Miss Taylor
2B Elm Class	3A Hazel	Mr Yarlett
2A Chestnut Class	3B Holly	Miss Scriven
3A Hazel Class	4A Maple	Mrs Everett (previously Miss Isaac) And Miss Moody upon her return from maternity leave
3B Holly Class	4B Oak	Mrs Vu
4B Oak Class	5A Pine	Miss Wood
4A Maple Class	5B Rowan	Miss Perkins
5A Pine Class	6A Sycamore	Miss Locke
5B Rowan Class	6B Willow	Miss Drew
Support staff will be deployed across the school. Mrs Blackman and Ignite Sports will continue to cover PPA weekly.		

Reading

Year Five

This term, Year Five have been reaching new heights with their reading! Linking with our geography topic on mountains, we explored the incredible true story of Sir Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay's historic ascent of Mount Everest in 1953. We discovered the challenges they faced and the determination that led them to become the first people to reach the summit of the world's highest mountain.

We have now begun reading 'Asha and the Spirit Bird' by local author Jasbinder Bilan. Set in the foothills of the Himalayas, this captivating story follows Asha on a journey filled with adventure, hope and courage. We are excited to find out what lies ahead for Asha as we continue our reading journey this term.

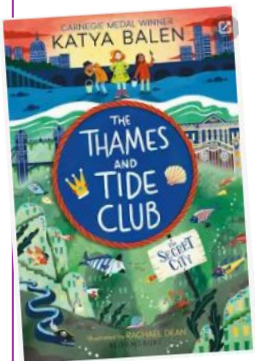


Year Four

This week, Year Four visited the library in Midsomer Norton. We listened to a story and spent some time browsing their great selection of books. Each child chose a book which they took away to enjoy reading in the classroom.



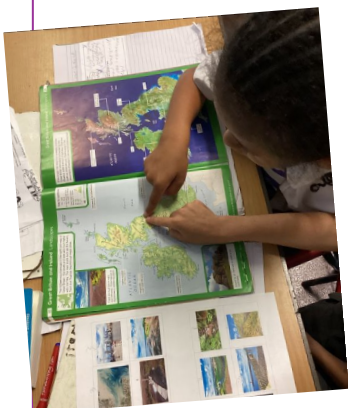
Year Three



"A screech. A wail. A cry that sounded a lot like 'I want it back noooooooooooooooooow!'
A very, very big splash.
And then the drains all around the river exploded."

This term Year Three have been reading 'The Thames and Tide Club: The Secret City' by Katya Balen, the first in a series of books for young readers. They've been joining Clem, Ash and Zara on their mudlarking adventure as they race around London trying to solve the mystery of insane weather changes and unstoppable floods. Could it have something to do with the mysterious item that Clem found when mudlarking on the foreshores of the River Thames, that makes buildings shake when touched? Year Three are certainly excited to find out if our three characters will save their city and are absolutely hating (secretly loving) the cliff hangers at the end of each lesson.

This book has been a wonderful accompaniment to our Geography topic: Rivers. We've even located the Thames on our map of the UK in the atlases.



Sports Day Photos



Sketch It Friday



Thought for the Week

Thought of the Week

“Unless a grain of wheat is buried in the ground, dead to the world, it is never any more than a grain of wheat. But if it is buried, it sprouts and reproduces itself many times over.” (John 12:24)



When I read today's verse, I am reminded of a clip from the Pixar film 'Bug's Life'. You can watch it [here](#).

When we're young, we can often feel too little to be able to do anything of any worth. But here we are reminded how one tiny seed can grow and become a tree. They can produce their own fruit, they give shade and a place

for animals to live and they give out oxygen for us to breathe. They are so much more useful than one tiny seed.

So we all start off as seeds and become trees. Great. But what about when we feel we can't manage even though we are now trees. We have responsibilities, we provide for our families and loved ones, we create and maintain a home for our children to grow up in. Sometimes though, things can get on top of us and we can feel like a seed again - that we just can't do it all.

Notice in the verse that the seed needs to be buried. Unless it is buried it remains just a seed and is of no use to anyone.

Are you in a place where you feel like you're buried? There's just so much to do and not enough time to do it all? You're buried under a mountain of jobs, or a pile of paperwork, or a never ending inbox, or maybe all three?

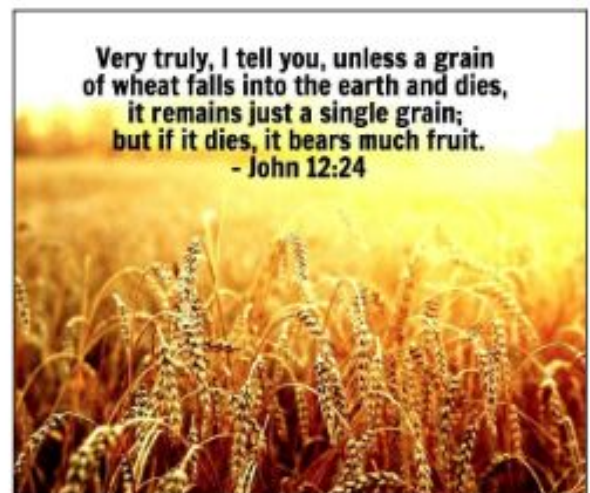
Sometimes we go through times like this, but unless we do, as the verse says we are unable to sprout and grow.

Often it's only when we go through difficult times and we have to work through them that we find ourselves developing new strategies and finding new ways of doing things and before we know it we've grown.

For Christians, this often means praying through things with God. Jesus himself would often go off by himself to pray and often this would be during those overwhelming times. When his cousin John died, he took himself off in a boat to be by himself and was greeted by a multitude of people who wanted to be healed. This then led onto the feeding of the 5000. Not exactly one to one time with his Father.

If you are finding yourself having a "buried seed" moment, just take a moment to reflect and pause. Ask yourself these questions. What is essential, what can I delegate and what can I drop? Who can support me through this? What could I do differently?

But then ask yourself these questions. How have I grown? What can I do now that I couldn't do a year ago or five years ago? What am I managing now that I couldn't see myself doing before? I hope you are encouraged by the answers.



PTA News

**ST JOHNS C OF E
PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA**

Summer Fete

FREE ENTRY

3PM - 6PM

**FRIDAY
3RD JULY**

**BBQ
BAR
ICE CREAMS
CANDY FLOSS
ENTERTAINMENT
RAFFLE
SOAK A TEACHER
FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT
& MUCH MORE!**

JOIN US FOR LOTS OF FUN!

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FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT GROUP A

LITTLE ACORNS (R)
TOP BINS 67 (Y1)
BIRCH BLUE (Y1)
THE FLAMIN' CHERRIES (Y2)
CHESTNUT CITY (Y2)

FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT GROUP B

THE MYSTERY TEAM (Y3)
HOT DOGS (Y3)
OAK IN SMOKE (Y4)
RED LIONS (Y4)

FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT GROUP C

THE STRAW HAT STRIKERS (Y5)
FURIOUS FIREFLIES (Y5)
HOWELLS 26 (Y5)
JERRY REX FC (Y6)
DREW'S DRAGONS (Y6)

TOURNAMENT FIXTURES

PITCH 1

3:30PM LITTLE ACORNS V TOP BINS 67
3:40PM BIRCH BLUE V THE FLAMIN' CHERRIES
3:50PM CHESTNUT CITY V LITTLE ACORNS
4:00PM TOP BINS 67 V BIRCH BLUE
4:10PM THE FLAMIN' CHERRIES V CHESTNUT CITY
4:20PM LITTLE ACORNS V THE FLAMIN' CHERRIES
4:30PM CHESTNUT CITY V TOP BINS 67
4:40PM TOP BINS 67 V THE FLAMIN' CHERRIES
4:50PM LITTLE ACORNS V BIRCH BLUE
5:00PM BIRCH BLUE V CHESTNUT CITY
5:10PM THE MYSTERY TEAM V HOT DOGS
5:20PM OAK IN SMOKE V RED LIONS
5:30PM HOT DOGS V OAK IN SMOKE
5:40PM RED LIONS V THE MYSTERY TEAM
5:50PM THE MYSTERY TEAM V OAK IN SMOKE
6:00PM HOT DOGS V RED LIONS

PITCH 2

4:00PM HOWELLS 26 V JERRY REX FC
4:10PM THE STRAW HAT STRIKERS V THE FURIOUS FIREFLIES
4:20PM DREWS DRAGONS V FURIOUS FIREFLIES
4:30PM THE STRAW HAT STRIKERS V HOWELLS 26
4:40PM DREWS DRAGONS V JERRY REX FC
4:50PM THE STRAW HAT STRIKERS V JERRY REX FC
5:00PM HOWELLS 26 V DREWS DRAGONS
5:10PM FURIOUS FIREFLIES V JERRY REX FC
5:20PM THE STRAW HAT STRIKERS V DREWS DRAGONS
5:30PM THE FURIOUS FIREFLIES V HOWELLS 26

Community Notices

Timsbury Theatre Group Juniors
present



PETER PAN the Musical

Friday 17th & Saturday 18th July 2026
7:30pm

Conygre Hall, North Road, Timsbury, Bath, BA2 0JQ

Tickets: adults £12, children £8
Family of 4 £35

www.Timsburytheatre.co.uk

Bar & refreshments available

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

w/c June 22

For any ticketed events, visit our Virtual Library or Eventbrite for details.
baneslibraries.co.uk/groups-events/

Bath Central Library

Storytime

Tuesday 23 June 10.30 - 11.00 am

Baby Bounce and Rhyme

Wednesday 24 June 10.00 - 10.30 am & 11.00 - 11.30 am

Art in the Library – The world in your pocket An exhibition of photography captured exclusively by iPhone by Aline Meinema.

During opening hours *subject to exhibition room being available 3 June - 2 July

Drama Tots

Tuesday 23 June 9:45am - 10:30am and 10:45am - 11:30am

Booking is required: drama-tots-bath.classforkids.io/info/42

Keynsham Library

Storytime

Thursday 25 June 10.30 - 11.00 am

Baby Bounce and Rhyme

Tuesday 23 June 9.30 - 10.00 am & 10.30 - 11.00 am

Midsomer Norton Library

Storytime

Wednesday 24 June 10.30 - 11.00 am

Baby Bounce and Rhyme

Monday 22 June 11.00 - 11.30 am

SASS Community Choir

For all autistic young people and their families in B&NES.

For more information or to book a place please email

sass@fossewayschool.com or call 01761 412198.

Wednesday 24 June 4.00 - 5.00 pm



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Summer Soccer Camps
Tuesday 21st – Thursday 23rd July
Tuesday 28th – Thursday 30th July
Tuesday 4th – Thursday 6th August

Summer Early Bird Discount Prices
Online bookings received by Tuesday 30th June
Individual Days: £23 Full Week (3 Day Week): £63
Standard Summer Prices
Bookings made after Tuesday 30th June
Individual Days: £27 Full Week (3 Day Week): £73
Full Week Sibling Discount details available on website
Soccer camps are aimed at boys and girls aged 7-11

Course Times: 9:30 – 3:15
(can arrive from 8:45)

Example of Our Day Plan

8:45 - 9:30	Sign in / Arrival Games
9:30	Welcome / AD Rules
9:45	Fun football activity
10:45	Snack break
11:00	World Cup Style Football Tournament
12:30	Lunch
1:15	Tournament continued
2:45	Daily Awards
3:00 - 3:15	Sign Out

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