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Message from the Headteacher

It's been another busy week of learning here at St John's. Year Six have been working hard on their division methods, Year Two have been writing and editing stories and Reception have been busy with their phonics learning.

With Autumn firmly upon us we have begun to think about our Harvest Festival. Next week each class will be creating their contribution to our celebration. As a school we will be celebrating Harvest Festival on Wednesday 21st October. This is when we traditionally present our Reception children with their bibles and ask them to place a pebble in our Koinonia dish, welcoming them to the St. John's family. Whilst we are not able to invite parents in this year we will make sure we take lots of pictures to share with you all.

Somer Valley Foodbank have informed us that they are not taking donations this year so instead we have decided to support the charity 'Send a Cow'. If you would like to donate, please send money in a sealed envelope by Friday 16th October, it will be our School Council's first job to choose what we buy using the money.













Hope you all have a lovely weekend!

Mrs West-Gaul

Dates to note:

October:

21st October: Harvest Festival. Photos will be sent home of the Harvest Festival and presentation of bibles to Reception pupils.

21st October: PTA Mufti

November:

2nd November: INSET day

Week commencing 2nd November: Parent Consultation Evenings

Achievosaurs

Well done to everyone who has received an Achievosaurs Certificate this week:

Year 1	Finley Luca	Year 4	Eliza Devon
Year 2	Kara Gabriela	Year 5	Gracie Joseph
Year 3	Eden Charlie	Year 6	Poppy Eddie W

Next Week's Manner of the Week Thank you for speaking quietly.

Safety Reminder

A reminder to all parents that, in order to keep our children safe at St John's, the children are taught that they are not to speak to members of the public through the school fences during the school day. Please help us to do this by not speaking to your children through the fence if you are passing. A wave, smile and a simple hello is encouraged.

Breakfast club

Due to low up take of our extended breakfast club, from Monday 19th October 2020 we will no longer be offering our breakfast club from 7.00am. We apologise for any inconvenience that this may cause you.

We will continue to offer a breakfast club from 7.30am-8.30 Monday to Friday which is open to all pupils from reception to year 6. This costs £2.50 per session and children can enjoy breakfast of toast or cereal in the school hall before moving to the library to join in games and craft. Children are then taken to their classrooms at the time that their class comes into school. To book a session please log onto ParentPay and select Breakfast Club.



Name The Classes Competition

Thank you to everyone who has entered our 'name the classes' competition, these will all be shared with the children and staff next week to vote. These are a selection of the many entries.













Christian Value of the Term: Love

In collective worship this term we are exploring the theme of love.





We began by looking at the poem 'Footprints In the Sand' and children created their own footprint designs for a display representing God's love through the ups and downs of life.



The children then went on to consider how we can show our love to people in our community and have written postcards to be passed on to care watch and delivered to individuals in our community.









Tesco Competition

Tesco in Paulton is inviting the school to win a £50 Tesco voucher. Children are invited to design a Halloween poster which will be displayed in the store from Monday 19th October. Posters should be handed into Customer Services no later than Friday 16th October.

COVID-19 information

A quick guide for parents and carers



Please follow the advice in this guide. Only contact the school if your child is having a test and to let us know the result. Your school will not be able to advise beyond the information given here. Please remember to only get tested if you have COVID-19 symptoms.

YOU SHOULD BOOK A TEST IF YOUR CHILD HAS:

a high temperature

This means they feel hot to touch on their chest or back (you do not need to measure their temperature)

Or a new continuous cough

This means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or three or more episodes in 24 hours (if they usually have a cough it may be worse than usual)

or a loss of or change to your sense of smell or taste

This means they've noticed they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

If your child DOES NOT have symptoms of COVID-19 but has other cold-like symptoms, such as a runny nose, they do not need to be tested and they or members of your household do not need to self-isolate. Your child can attend school if fit to do so.

What to do if	Action needed	When can my child return to school?
My child has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms	 Do not send your child to school Book a test for your child Whole household & support bubble to self-isolate Inform school immediately about test result 	If test is negative and child is well enough, and not advised to self-isolate by test and trace service
My child tests positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)	 Do not send your child to school Child to self-isolate for at least 10 days from when symptoms started (orfrom day of test if no symptoms) Inform school immediately about test results Whole household & support bubble to self-isolate for 14 days from day when symptoms started (or from day of test if no symptoms) 	They can return to school after 10 days as long as they have not had a fever in the previous 48 hours. They can return after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of smell / taste. These symptoms can last for several weeks once the infection is gone

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What to do if	Action needed	Whencan my child return to school?
Somebody in my household& support bubble has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms	 Do not send your child to school Household & support bubble member with symptoms to book a test Whole household & support bubble to self-isolate while waiting for test result Inform school immediately about test results 	When household & support bubble member test is negative, and child does not have COVID-19 symptoms and if child has not been advised to self isolate by test and trace services
Somebody in my household & support bubble has tested positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)	Do not send your child to school Whole household & support bubble to self-isolate for 14days from day when symptoms started (or from day of test if no symptoms) - even if they test negative during those 14days Inform school immediately about test result	When they have completed 14 days of self-isolation without symptoms. They must self-isolate for 14 days even if they test negative during that time
NHS Test and Trace has identified my child as a 'close contact'	 Do not send your child to school Child to self-isolate for 14days (as advised by NHS Test and Trace)—even if they test negative during those 14days Rest of household & support bubble does not need to self-isolate, unless they are also a 'close contact' 	When they have completed 14 days of self-isolation without symptoms. They must self-isolate for 14 days even if they test negative during that time
Your child has been in contact with someone who has been identified as a 'close contact'	 Attend school as normal If your child does not have any COVID-19 symptoms they should carry on with normal activities 	Attend school as normal
We / my child has travelled abroad and has to self-isolate.	Do not send your child to school Whole household & support bubble to self-isolate for 14days – even if they test negative during those 14 days Travel reminders:	When the quarantine period of 14 days has been completed for the child, even if they test negative during those 14 days
S	 Do not take unauthorised leave in term time Consider quarantine requirements and FCO advice when booking travel Provide information to school as per attendance policy 	
We have received advice from a medical / official sourcethat my child must resume shielding	 Do not send your child to school. Contact school as advised by attendance officer/pastoral team Child to shield until you are informed that restrictions are lifted and shielding is paused again 	When school / other agencies inform youth at restrictions have been lifted and your child can return to school again