



St John's
CE Primary School

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Head Teacher: Mrs E. Cook
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March Newsletter 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

You may have noticed that I have been in school a little less this term, this is because I have been supporting Radcliffe Hall School four days a week in the absence of their headteacher. I will be continuing to do this after the Easter break and in order to help Mrs Ellithorn - who is doing an amazing job of leading the school as Interim Head- we have appointed Mrs Milne as our temporary Assistant Head. Mrs Milne is an incredibly experienced teacher who has taught many of your children and she is very excited about joining the Senior Leadership Team at St John's.

Mrs Cook

Parents' Evening

Thank you to everyone who came to parents' evening last week. 72% of the pupils' parents attended their appointment on the night. We hope you enjoyed hearing all about your child's achievements. Please speak to your child's teacher if you have not yet had your meeting and they can arrange a phone call.

Lates

We have an increasing number of children who arrive late at school on a regular basis. This causes disruption to the office staff, the rest of the class and means the children miss out on valuable learning time. Doors open at 8.45 and lessons start at 9am. Children who arrive after the registers close are classed as absent for the morning session, which affects their overall attendance data. Mrs Cope will be monitoring lates carefully during the summer term and speaking to parents where needed to establish barriers to punctuality and what support we can offer.

Easter

Thank you to all those who attended our Easter service this morning, we appreciate you joining in with our singing, but can we politely remind you to be respectful during the service. I am sure you will agree that the children sounded wonderful, and the Year 2 readers made us all very proud.

We were overwhelmed with the eggcellent entries for our Easter egg competition, and we loved your eggthusiasm. The entries eggceeded our eggspectations (I don't think we can fit any more egg references in there). There were four winners across the school. Next year we need more prizes and maybe even a separate category for adult entries!

Y4 Swimming Lessons

Y4 will be going swimming every afternoon for the first two weeks of the term. Please see the separate letter sent out by Mrs Thompson for details.

Fun Friday 3rd May

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On Friday 3rd May we will be having our own fun 'May Day' event, and we are busy planning lots of fun activities for the children.

Y6 SATs

Monday 13th May is the start of Y6 SATs week. If you have a child in Y6 please take extra care to ensure they are in school every day and on time during that week. Thank you

Trips and Visits

There will be individual class trips and visits out planned during the summer term - details will follow from your child's class teacher.

Spring - Diary Dates

Monday 15th April Y4 swimming daily for two weeks-see separate letter for details

Monday 22nd April Y5 Bikeability-see separate letter for details

Thursday 2nd May school closed for local elections

Friday 3rd May-school open. Fun Friday-see details above

Monday 6th May-school closed for one day for Bank Holiday

Monday 13th May Y6 SATS week

Thursday 23rd May Sports Day-weather permitting. Details will be shared in next newsletter

Friday 24th May break up for half term

Monday 3rd June school reopens

Friday 14th June class photo day

Wednesday 19th June Y5 performing at the Met Bury-Esio Trot. Details will be shared in a separate letter next term.

Thursday 20th June Family Breakfast

Thursday 20th June Y6 leavers' service at Manchester Cathedral (For pupils only not parents).

Friday 5th July Summer fair

Friday 12th July Y6 Show

Thursday 18th July Y6 prom

Friday 19th July School closes for summer holidays 2.30 finish

Wednesday 4th September school reopens.

Y6 Leavers events-details will be shared nearer the time

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