



**St John's**  
CE Primary School

Isaiah 40:31 'They will soar on wings like eagles'

**Head Teacher:** Mrs T. Cansdale

**Deputy Head:** Mrs M. Milne

Dear Parents and Carers,

October 2025

As we move into October, it's been lovely to see the children settling into routines and embracing their learning with such enthusiasm. Thank you for your continued support in helping them arrive each day ready to learn and take part in all aspects of school life. It was great to hear from you at Parents Evening about how your child has settled into their new classes – thank you to those who attended. We have a busy month ahead with lots of exciting enrichment activities planned around a theme of physical and mental well-being which is one of our key priorities:

#### **October Events**

- **Wednesday 8th October – Basketball Taster Day**  
Y1-Y6 will enjoy a fun introduction to basketball with a visiting coach.
- **Thursday 9th October – Tea and Toast: Digital Concerns (9–10am)**  
How we can help children stay safe and enjoy their time online? Everyone is welcome. This takes place in Calm Quarters and is suitable whatever the age of your child.
- **Friday 10th October – Reception Autumn Walk**  
Helping our children explore the changing seasons and our local area.
- **Monday 13th October – Y4 Swimming Begins**  
Year 4 children will begin a fortnight of daily swimming sessions
- **Tuesday 14th October – Skipping Workshops**  
A fantastic opportunity for children to build coordination and fitness through skipping.
- **Wednesday 15th October – Boxing Workshop**  
A non-contact workshop focusing on discipline, movement and fitness.
- **Wednesday 15th October – Dentist Talk for Y3 & Y5**
- **Thursday 16th October – Family Breakfast (from 8am – all are welcome)**  
All families are warmly invited to join us for breakfast and chat
- **Photos** have been postponed until November to a non-swimming day!
- **Friday 17th October – Harvest Assembly (children only)**  
Led by Y3 and Y4. Donations for the local Food Bank are very welcome.
- **Wednesday 22nd October – Flu Spray**  
Administered by the NHS team for children in YR to Y6 with parental consent
- **Thursday 23rd October – Poetry Performance Assembly (children only)**  
Each class will perform a poem to the rest of the school
- **Friday 24th October – Last Day Before Half Term**

#### **Mr Seale's Paternity Leave**

Congratulations to **Mr Seale (Year 5)** who is now on paternity leave for a few weeks before half term. We wish him and his family all the very best as they welcome a new baby! From Tuesday, the class will be taught by a lovely supply teacher who has already spent a day in school getting to know the children and staff and St John's staff are covering until then. Mr Seale will return after the half-term break.

#### **After Half Term**

- **Monday 3rd November – Staff Training Day** - School closed to pupils.
- **Tuesday 4th November – School Reopens for all**

Warm regards, Mrs T. Cansdale

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Do look at our BlueSky account for photos of learning. Here are some highlights from September:

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A huge thank you to Bury music service for their epic assembly to showcase their offer...



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What busy little children we have in Reception class. The outdoor area is definitely a favourite! We can see some fantastic team work and problem solving going on 😊



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Year 3 Exciting Experiences:  
Investigating Autumn Conkers 17.9.25



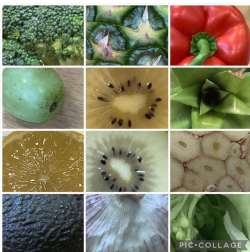
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Year 4 enjoyed reading and creating different exercises using a map in P.E



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Year 6 have been busy experimenting with macro photography in art. They took pictures from lots of different angles and used the zoom setting to capture lots of detail. Can you guess which foods have been photographed? 📷



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St John's had a wonderful worship this morning led by the Shades group @churchofengland.org. Thank you for coming, the children really enjoyed it.



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The Reception children enjoyed doing crafts in Wiggle Worship this week with Reverend Adele and some of their parents.



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Year 1 have enjoyed exploring our new outdoor area.

