



HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

Thank you to everyone who attended our Harvest Service in St. John's Church on Wednesday and for your very generous donations to the North Enfield Food Bank. I am also delighted with the very positive response towards eliminating our lost property and thank you to the School Council who have supported the sale of the lost property that was not claimed. Please ensure that any new item of clothing is always labelled to help us in our campaign of eliminating waste at St. John's School. Our next project is looking at how we can reduce the amount of waste in our school and raising awareness about the amount of litter outside our school and how this can be recycled or reused. Emerald Class and members of the Eco-Committee from Diamond Class will be participating in a litter pick on the 9th October at 11am, if any parents are free to join us, please do let me know.

Next week will be our Parents' Meetings with class teachers, please make every effort to attend these as they are really important in ensuring that you know about your child's learning and how you can help to support this. If for any reason the appointment time doesn't suit you please let us know and we can change it.

Thank you to everyone who supported our MacMillan Cancer Coffee Morning and our cake sale last Friday, in total we raised £135.48.

I was absolutely thrilled with the very positive response to the parent workshop for Sapphire parents – it was so encouraging to work with such supportive and enthusiastic parents. We are still running a variety of different workshops for parents this half-term and the details of these are as follows:

8th October at 9am meeting for Diamond parents regarding reading and time to observe the teaching of reading – please note the change in date

10th October at 9am meeting for Sapphire parents regarding reading and time to observe the teaching of reading

15th October at 9am for Emerald parents regarding reading and time to observe the teaching of reading

17th October at 9am for Reception parents regarding follow up to the reading meeting and attendance

I look forward to seeing as many parents as possible at these meetings as you will find them very useful.

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This Week's Attendance

Class	Week
Ruby	96.3%
Sapphire	91.3%
Diamond	96.3%
Emerald	97.4%
Overall	95.3%

Week Beginning Monday 7 October 2019

Monday

8am	Breakfast Club
3.00-4.00pm	Art Club (Invitation only)
3.00-4.00pm	Multi Skills (Rec, Yr 1,2 & 3)
3.00-400pm	Booster Class Yr6

Tuesday

Parents' Evening	
8am	Breakfast Club
9.00am	Diamond Parents' meeting regarding reading and time to observe the teaching of reading
3.00-4.00pm	NO Football Club (Yr 3-6)
3.00-4.00pm	NO School Choir
3.00-400pm	NO Booster Class Yr6

Wednesday

8am	Breakfast Club
During school	Keyboard
During school	Recorder
3.00-4.00pm	Netball Club (Yr 3-6)
3.00-4.00pm	Science Club (by invitation after half-term)
3.00-400pm	Booster Class Yr5

Thursday

Parents Evening	
8am	Breakfast Club
9.00am	Sapphire Parents' meeting regarding reading and time to observe the teaching of reading
3.00-4.00pm	NO Tennis Club (Yr 2-Yr6)
3.00-400pm	NO Booster Class Yr5

Friday

8am	Breakfast Club
11.45-12.10 2.45pm	Running Club (Yr1-6) Pop Up Shop



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I am delighted to report that as a result of a very generous donation from a parent we now have raised our £600 for the coaches to the pantomime which is absolutely fantastic. Our next fundraising focus will be to raise the money needed to cover the cost of the various different Christmas activities that we run for the pupils during the festive season. Our aim this year is to make this even more successful and try to involve a lot more parents and carers so that we are able to run more activities throughout the year. The next PTA meeting will take place on the 1st November after Celebration Assembly as we need to agree the activities that will take place in school throughout the festive season, please make every effort to attend. It is important that parents really support us with these initiatives as budgets are getting tighter and it is becoming really challenging for schools to continue to resource all the areas that we have in the past. Please make every effort to support the following events:

Pop up shop on Friday from 2.45pm

Have a very enjoyable and relaxing weekend.

Susan Notley

Headteacher

Class Representatives

Ruby Class

Ewa Franke

Claire Gentle

Natalie Dean

Sapphire Class

Janice Chapman-Preedy

Jackie Godbold

Shudi Misir

Diamond Class

Maria Karakassis

Izabela Ahmet

Rachel Charalambous

Emerald Class

Claire Gentle

Sarah Venn

Valeria Williams

If you have any ideas for fund-raising etc. or would like to help, please contact your PTA representatives.

After School Clubs

There are still places available on the After School Clubs.

If you would like your child to attend, please pay on ParentPay.

Monday	Art Club	By invitation (only if your child receives a letter)	3.00 - 4.00pm	Ms Bullen - £26
Monday	Multi Skills	Reception, Year 1-3	3.00 - 4.00pm	Mr Pople - £26
Tuesday	Football Club	Key Stage 2, Years 3-6	3.00 - 4.00pm	Mr Pople - £26
Tuesday	Choir Club	Year 2 - 6	3.00 - 4.00pm	Mrs Anderson - £26
Wednesday	Netball Club	Key Stage 2 Years 3-6	3.00 - 4.00pm	Mr Pople - £26
Wednesday	Science Club	By invitation (only if your child receives a letter) starts after half term	3.00 - 4.00pm	Mrs Creed - £26
Thursday	Tennis Club	Year 2-6	3.00 - 4.00pm	Mr Pople - £26



RUBY CLASS

In Ruby Class this week we have been focusing on Autumn and harvest time. We have been having lots of conversations about how fruit and vegetables are healthy to eat and keep you fit and well. The children have also enjoyed preparing the vegetables for our vegetable soup which they enjoyed tasting. Keeping the theme going we have also used the story of 'Oliver's vegetables' to help sequence the days of the week, taking clues from the book on which day Oliver ate a particular vegetable. In maths the children have been working very hard at counting and recognising numbers 0-10 and 10-20, please continue to practise this at home during every day activities; for example, counting as you go up and down stairs, looking at numbers on buses, doors etc. In phonics the children have now learnt the first group of six sounds so next week we will be focusing on blending these sounds together to make simple words. The nursery children have now settled into Ruby Class and have been very busy practising their scissor skills by cutting out pictures of their favourite vegetable and making a vegetable collage. On Thursday the reception children attended their first church service; the harvest festival, where they listened very well and had a really good try at joining in the harvest songs. Well done everyone for a great week.

I am looking forward to meeting with you all at Parents' Evenings next week (Tuesday and Thursday). Please let me know if you are unable to make your allocated time and we can rearrange your appointment, many thanks.

Have a lovely weekend. **Pat Creed**

SAPPHIRE CLASS

A big thank you to those parents who managed to attend our Phonics Workshop on Wednesday. It was very well attended which was fantastic and we hope you found the information and the techniques useful. If you have any more questions about how we teach phonics, please do make an appointment at the office to come and see me as soon as possible (the only evening I cannot do is a Monday due to staff meetings). I do strongly urge you do this if you were unable to make the workshop as phonics is so fundamentally important to all aspects of your child's learning. **Next week, we are starting a new project as part of our Great Fire of London learning. For design and technology, we will be designed and making our own model houses. For this, we will need as many assorted cardboard boxes as possible. Boxes must range in sizes and ideas for this include cereal boxes of different sizes. Please ensure your boxes aren't too small as this will prove difficult when it comes to the making. These need to be in school by Monday (7th October).** We have now labelled all your child's uniform and PE kit so this will ensure that we will not have any issues with losing kits. I am still concerned about the high number of children not completing or partially completing their homework. As stressed last week, homework is fundamental to help learning in school, including reinforcing knowledge learnt over the week and to ensure things like handwriting and presentation and the expectations around these are maintained. Lastly, I look forward to meeting all parents next week at Parents' Evening. It is absolutely essential that you attend your appointment as we will be discussing the year so far and what your child must work on in order to further progress. I wish everyone a lovely, relaxing weekend!

James Stringer and Tracey Hargate.

DIAMOND CLASS

In Maths this week, the children practised dividing numbers using the chunking method and the bus stop method. Some children struggled at first but made great progress towards the end of the week.

In Literacy, the children started preparing their text to be entered for the annual Catriona's Writing Award. They used descriptive vocabulary which involved finding synonyms for some words to improve their narrative based on the picture stimulus they were given. In Geography, the class created effective posters to encourage others to save our water, and explained the importance to do so.

The children have been working really hard in Guided Reading, demonstrating their understanding of a text by explaining why the author used specific words, phrases and punctuation. Please be reminded that the Guided Reading workshop takes place on Tuesday 8th October at 9am. This will be really beneficial for parents to see how their child is progressing in reading and skills that they have developed. Have a lovely weekend!

Sabrina Anderson

EMERALD CLASS

This week the children in Emerald Class began working on their stories for Catriona's Writing Competition. The theme this year is 'escape' and the children have been looking at story examples to use as ideas for their own work. There are some great ideas and the competition is set to be close once again! In maths the focus has again been on fractions; looking at adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing fractions, converting between improper and mixed fractions, simplifying fractions and plenty more! The children have worked really well on a tricky concept and hopefully feel more confident when faced with these questions. In our Ancient Greek topic, we have looked at the twelve labours of Hercules and the trials and tribulations he endured. The children produced some pleasing storyboards reflecting this. Well done everyone and have a relaxing weekend. Let's hope England win against Argentina!! **Joe Law & Kamran Ezel**

NOTICES

Attendance for the week

EMERALD CLASS have received the highest attendance this week and will be allowed to come into school in non-uniform on MONDAY 7 OCTOBER in recognition for their achievement this week for the most attendance this week



As per our school policy, please remember that medical evidence is required if your child has been ill for more than 3 days or if attendance has dropped below 90%.

Sports News

Well done to everyone who participated in Cross Country at Forty Hall yesterday. All pupils were fantastic ambassadors for St. John's School. They showed real determination, especially running up the hill at the start of the race! Thank you to all the parents for supporting.



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NOTICEBOARD

IMPORTANT

Please ensure the following forms have been returned to school:-

- Nasal Flu Consent Form— Reception to Year 6



Even if your child is not going to have the Nasal Flu vaccination, please fill in the form with the correct box ticked and return it to the school office

Follow St. John's on Twitter

We have now opened a twitter account for St. John's. Follow us and see all the exciting activities that are taking place at our school. If you go onto the School's website you will be able to access Twitter.

Uniform Sales and Resources

1. Go to our website www.stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk
2. On the homepage scroll down
3. Click on School Shop
4. Choose and buy your items



Lost Property

If you would like to look in the Lost Property box, it is situated outside the school office.



School Council & Eco-Committee

During our meeting this week we talked about our sale of the lost property that was not claimed and also the plan of action in place to ensure that we eliminate lost property completely from St. John's School. Next week we are participating in a litter pick in our local community, if any parents would like to join us please come and see me. We will be leaving at 11am and returning to school for 11.45am. The following week we will be sorting our rubbish into what can be recycled or reused so that we are really raising people's awareness of the measures that we can take to reduce our waste as much as possible.



Parents' Evenings Reminder

Parents' Evening is for Parents only.

Please make arrangements for your children to be looked after as they are not allowed to attend.

If your appointment is straight after school, please also make arrangements for someone to look after your children.

Nursery Admissions

- Complete our supplementary forms, which can be found on the school website or collect them from the school office.
- Return the supplementary forms to the school office as soon as possible.
- We still have places available for September 2019.

Worship

On the second Sunday of each month, Nicola Bugliari and Emily Lawlor run the Sunday school at 9:00. On the third Sunday at 9:30 there is a music Sunday school run by fr Peter. St. John's Church, Strayfield Road,: Sunday at 9am



St. Luke's Church, Phipps Hatch Lane: Sundays at 10.30am



Breakfast Club Reminder

- Starts at 8.00am (please do not bring children any earlier, they will not be allowed in)
- If you require breakfast for your child, please ensure you are at school by 8.10am
- Breakfast Club account should always be in credit (either weekly, monthly or termly)
- Any changes to the days your child is attending, please inform the school office or leave a message on the Breakfast Club line.

Term Dates for 2019/2020/2021

AUTUMN 2019		AUTUMN 2020	
INSET DAY	Monday 2 September	INSET DAY	Thursday 3 September
Starts	Tuesday 3 September	Starts	Friday 4 September
Half Term	Monday 21 October—25 Friday October	Half Term	Monday 26 October—Friday 30 October
INSET DAY	Friday 29 November	Ends (1.30pm)	Friday 18 December
Ends (1.30pm)	Thursday 19 December	Bank Holiday	Friday 25 & Monday 28 December
Bank Holiday	Wednesday 25, Thursday 26 December		
SPRING 2020		SPRING 2021	
INSET DAY	Monday 6 January	INSET DAY	Monday 4 January
Starts	Tuesday 7 January	Starts	Tuesday 5 January
Half Term	Monday 17 Feb -Friday 21 February	Half Term	Monday 15 Feb -Friday 19 February
Ends (1.30pm)	Friday 3 April	Ends (1.30pm)	Thursday 1 April
SUMMER 2020		SUMMER 2021	
Starts	Monday 20 April	Starts	Monday 19 April
Half Term	Monday 25 May—Friday 29 May	Half Term	Monday 31 May—Friday 4 June
Ends (1.30pm)	Friday 17 July	Ends (1.30pm)	Wednesday 21 July
Bank Holiday	Monday 4 May & Monday 25 May	Bank Holiday	Monday 3 May & Monday 31 May
		INSET DAYS	Friday 25 June & Thursday 22 & Friday 23 July

UPCOMING EVENTS

Parish Quiz Night

Saturday 12th October

Thank you to those who have shown an interest in coming to St Luke's for our quiz night in a fortnight's time. The quiz has earned itself a really great reputation over the last couple of years, so tickets tend to fly off the shelves. As of this morning there was only one table left, so if you'd like to come, please call 020 8482 4309 ASAP before it goes to someone else!

CLAY HILL LIVE

ST JOHN & ST LUKE
CLAY HILL



Three Valleys Male Voice Choir

A Musical Celebration

A two-hour concert of popular songs from shows, sea shanties, and popular opera

Saturday 26th October, 2.30pm

St Luke's Church, Phipps Hatch Lane, EN2 0HL

Tickets £10 payable at the door,
including a glass of wine or juice
Children under 12 attend free

Proceeds in aid of St John's Lych Gate Fund
More info available on 020 8482 2936

ST JOHN & ST LUKE
CLAY HILL

Parish Quiz Night

All the usual fun and good times to be had!

St Luke's Church, Phipps Hatch Lane
Sat 12th Oct from 6.30pm - Quiz Starts at 7pm

Maximum team size of 8
Please book tickets in advance –
we have a limited number!
Tickets £10 / £8 concessions / £5 children
Available on 020 8482 4309

Cash bar in aid of church funds –
feel free to bring your own food or nibbles,
but please not your own alcohol

INFORMATION

St. John's Church Hall is open on Wednesdays after school for teas, coffee fees and biscuits!



SUNDAY 6TH OCTOBER HARVEST FESTIVAL

10.30am, St Luke's

An All-Age sung service of Holy Communion, where our uniformed organisations will be on parade.

We shall be giving thanks for the gifts with which God blesses us, and thinking about how we can echo His generosity to the world.

There will be celebratory cake afterwards!



Date List for Autumn Term 2019

OCTOBER		
Tuesday 8	Meeting for Diamond parents regarding reading and time to observe the teaching of reading	9.00am
Tuesday 8	Fire Safety Talk—Sapphire & Emerald Class	
Tuesday 8	Parents' Evening	
Thursday 10	Meeting for Sapphire parents regarding reading and time to observe the teaching of reading	9.00am
Thursday 10	Parents' Evening	
Tuesday 15	Meeting for Emerald parents regarding reading and time to observe the teaching of reading	9.00am
Tuesday 15	Flu Nasal Spray—Reception to Year 6	
Wednesday 16	Open Morning for Prospective Parents	9.30am
Thursday 17	Meeting for Reception parents regarding follow up to the reading meeting and attendance	9.00am
Monday 21—Friday 25	HALF TERM	
Wednesday 30	Class Assembly—Emerald Class	9.00am
NOVEMBER		
Wednesday 6	Class Assembly—Diamond Class	9.00am
Tuesday 12	Open Morning for Prospective Parents	9.30am
Wednesday 13	Remembrance Service—St. John's Church	2.20pm
Wednesday 20	Class Assembly—Sapphire Class	9.00am
Friday 29	INSET DAY	
DECEMBER		
Thursday 12	Nativity for Ruby Class	
Friday 13	Christmas Jumper Day (£1.50 donation)	
Monday 16	Christmas Class Parties	
Tuesday 17	Pantomime at Millfield Theatre	10.00am
Wednesday 18	Carol Service—St. John's Church	2.00pm
Thursday 19	END OF TERM	1.15PM

Please remember that any of the above dates may alter because of changing circumstances.
On INSET days the school is closed to pupils.