



HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

The Black Lives Matter campaign has served to raise awareness of values we hold dear at St. John's School. We are against all forms of racism, discrimination and prejudice. However, we recognise that like many other institutions, we need to listen, learn and improve. As educators, we have a responsibility to ensure our pupils understand history and how it shapes the present day. When correctly informed, everyone can contribute towards the creation of a fairer world. Nelson Mandela is famous for saying that, "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world", and we whole heartedly agree. Through our curriculum and assemblies we will continue to develop our exploration of issues concerned with diversity, equality and inclusion. We acknowledge that there is no room for complacency and that all of us have a responsibility to do better. Attached to this newsletter is a very informative and helpful parents' guide to Black Lives Matter in particular supporting parents in helping them to explain certain complex issues to young children. Please do take the time to look at this as I am sure you will find it very useful.

Another week has gone by and we have seen even more parents requesting a place for their child to be able to return to St. John's School which is extremely encouraging. The procedure that we have in place until the end of term will allow for every pupil who wants to experience school life again before the end of term to be able to do so albeit that for some pupils it may only be for a limited time.

If you would like your child to return to St. John's School before the end of term, please inform the office by the very latest 2pm on the Tuesday and we will inform parents on Thursday by 1pm what the plan will be for the following week.

Like everything at this time, it is ever evolving and we fully understand that parents may well change their mind and want their child to return. Therefore, in order to accommodate this, we are going to review the allocation of places in Year 2, 3, 4 and 5 on a weekly basis so that we are being fair to everyone and instilling confidence in all parents and pupils to return to school.

Schedule in place to support the increase of the numbers of pupils returning to school next week

28th June – 3rd July, 2020

Day	Group	Arrival Time	Dismissal Time
Monday	KS2 bubble	8.45am	3pm
	Infants – Sapphire bubble	8.55am	2.50pm
	Infants – Ruby bubble	9.00am	2.40pm
Tuesday	KS2 bubble	8.45am	3pm
	Infants – Sapphire bubble	8.55am	2.50pm
	Infants – Ruby bubble	9.00am	2.40pm
Wednesday	Closed for deep cleaning and staff to plan, prepare resources, mark uploaded work on teams, online teaching and manage remote learning		
Thursday	KS2 bubble	8.45am	3pm
	Infants – Sapphire bubble	8.55am	2.50pm
	Infants – Ruby bubble	9.00am	2.40pm
Friday	KS2 bubble	8.45am	3pm
	Infants – Sapphire bubble	8.55am	2.50pm
	Infants – Ruby bubble	9.00am	2.40pm

In order to ensure the safety of pupils, parents and staff, please make sure that you are punctual at both drop off and pick up stated times. Please remember that we are providing packed lunches for Reception and KS1 so please do not bring a packed lunch if you are in these year groups.

I am sure you will appreciate the complexity and challenges that the school face at this particular time to ensure that we are taking every measure possible to keep you child safe. It is important that we are working together to achieve this.

Here are some important rules, which we need all parents to follow, in order to keep children, staff and parents safe. **We rely on every parent to follow our procedures so that things run as smoothly and safely as possible.**

Parents will not be permitted to go to the school office at any time.

Please ring if you need to speak to someone.

Therefore, it is essential that you adhere to the following expectations if your child is returning to St. John's School.

- There is an expectation from the school that if you are sending your child to school, that you are agreeing to have your child tested if he/she shows symptoms of the virus, otherwise your child cannot attend school.
- Please note that if your child presents with any symptoms of the coronavirus, they must stay at home and should self-isolate as per Government guidelines. In addition to this, if they show any signs of being unwell, whatever they are that they should stay at home. You will need to inform the school of this.
- It is important that everyone fully understands that this is a public health crisis and any child presenting with cold like symptoms will not be allowed into school unless they take a Covid -19 test and can evidence a negative test.
- Only one adult will be allowed to drop off their child and collect. (Please arrange this in advance, so that we do not have to remind anyone at the gate). If a different adult is collecting, please inform the school in advance.
- All parents will maintain social distancing of 2 metres at all times. This includes your child too, markers will be displayed to help with this outside of the school.
- Please be prompt for drop off and pick up. Please also keep a 2 metre distance if you are waiting on the pavement outside the school. Parents must not congregate together outside or on the school site. Our measures have been put in place for everyone's safety.
- We will be taking every child's temperature as they come into school. If they do have a high temperature they will go straight home.
- KS2 pupils to come into school with a packed lunch, snack and bottle of water in line with the school's agreed expectations for a healthy snack and packed lunch.
- Reception and KS1 pupils (UIFSM) will receive a packed lunch, but please bring in a snack and bottle of water in line with the school's agreed expectations for a healthy snack.
- Pupils to come into school in school uniform with footwear disinfected before entry to school. If your child is returning to school the next day it is essential that they come into school with a cleaned full school uniform.
- Please talk to your children before they come back into school about the importance of hand washing, social distancing and the importance of listening to instructions given by adults in school.
- If you have already stated in the survey that you do not want your child to return to school, you will not be penalized for making this decision. The expectation is that your child will continue the remote learning that they have already been participating in and the regular virtual sessions will also continue to take place.
- Pupils will need to come in with their trainers in a named bag. Please also bring a named hat/cap, as the weather becomes warmer.
- To minimise risk of contamination, no school bags will be required.
- No scooters or bikes will be allowed on the premises – please keep them at home.

- To ensure safety for all concerned, can you please arrive at the correct time (observing the social distancing measures that are put in place for dropping off and collecting), as we are trying to stagger the entry and dismissal times. Could you please collect your child at the correct time also as stated on the weekly schedule.

Please have a look at the information below regarding the online teaching/chat sessions for all classes as we have had to make some changes due to the additional pupils coming into school. The set times are as following times:

Emerald Class - 10am on Monday and Tuesday - books available to return and collect on Thurs/Fri

Diamond Class – 12 noon on Tuesday- books available to return and collect on Thurs/Fri

Sapphire Class- 1pm on Wednesday - books available to return and collect on Thurs/Fri

Ruby Class – completed learning packs and books to be returned from the previous week and new packs along with books to be collected on Thurs/Fri

Day	
Monday	Reception session (phonics/maths) 10.30 – 11.00 a.m.
Tuesday	Reception session (phonics/maths) 10.30 – 11.00 a.m.
Wednesday	School closed
Thursday	Reception session (phonics/maths) 10.30 – 11.00 a.m.
Friday	Ruby Class Celebration of the week's activities 10.30 – 11.00 a.m.
Thursday/Friday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual Book packs made up for each Reception child and also a selection of books available for Reception children and Nursery children to choose from. • Differentiated learning packs made up for each Reception child to support Monday's virtual session and the following week's phonics/maths sessions. • Learning packs for the Nursery children with a focus on links to story book and supporting fine motor skills and early number recognition.

Whilst I fully appreciate the challenges that remote learning presents for families, it is really important that we continue this until the end of term if your child is not coming into school. We are implementing this same model in school and therefore, the children in school will have completed this work and we don't want the pupils at home falling behind. Furthermore, it is essential that all pupils log onto the virtual sessions as these are very beneficial for your child in keeping them connected with school and supporting their general well-being.

Hope you have a relaxing and enjoyable weekend.

With our very best wishes

Sue Notley

Headteacher



Father Peter's message to follow.



End of Year Reports

Children who are attending school will receive their End of Year reports today. If your child is not in school, please come and collect them between the hours of 10am and 2pm everyday, excluding Wednesday.

Returning and Collecting reading books and packs

Please ensure that **Reception and Nursery parents** are collecting their packs and books either Thursday or Friday each week.

Please ensure that **Sapphire, Diamond and Emerald parents** are returning and collecting their books either Thursday or Friday each week.

It is essential that all pupils are continuing to read daily.

PLEASE RETURN ALL BOOKS by 10 July or you will be charged.



Online Safety at home

It has been fantastic to hear from staff all about the amazing work that has continued to be produced yet again this week – we are all certainly doing very well with this, so a big well done and thank you to everybody! It was also really good to see the chats being used more appropriately this week – it is very important that we always remember our behaviour when we are working online. Also, you must remember all about your digital footprint – this is a trail of data you create every time you use the Internet. One of the things this means is that whatever you post online using any of your named accounts, that content is online forever. Even if you go ahead and delete it further down the line, this does not erase your digital footprint, so just be mindful of the things you are posting on Teams and any other named account(s) that you have. As always, anything to do with Teams, please either email your class teacher or myself on James.Stringer@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk.

Take care all, and have a lovely, safe weekend.

James Stringer

SUMMER	2020
Starts	Monday 20 April
Half-term	Monday 25 May—Friday 29 May
Ends (1.30pm)	Friday 17 July
Bank Holiday	Friday 8 May & Monday 25 May

AUTUMN	2020
INSET DAY	Thursday 3 September & Friday 4 September
Starts	Monday 7 September
Half-term	Monday 26 October—Friday 30 October
INSET DAY	Friday 27 November
Ends (1.30pm)	Friday 18 December
Bank Holiday	Friday 25 & Monday 28 December

Term Dates for 2020/2021

SPRING	2021
INSET DAY	Monday 4 January
Starts	Tuesday 5 January
Half-term	Monday 15 Feb -Friday 19 February
Ends (1.30pm)	Thursday 1 April

SUMMER	2021
Starts	Monday 19 April
Half-term	Monday 31 May—Friday 4 June
Ends (1.30pm)	Friday 23 July
Bank Holiday	Monday 3 May & Monday 31 May
INSET DAY	Friday 25 June

RUBY CLASS

I hope you have all been enjoying the sunshine; it has been very hot! In Ruby Class this week we have been focusing on 'time' and have been telling the time to o'clock and half past. I hope you have been able to make your clocks at home and are challenging yourselves and your grown-ups to tell the correct time. In class we have also been focusing on practising our Olympic challenges. The country the whole school is researching is Poland. Remember to practise and submit your result on the website – let's do it for St John's! Yesterday an email was sent out to all Ruby class children; Reception children and adults have been invited to the graduation ceremony and a picnic afterwards in Mr Harold's field and we hope our Nursery families will also join us for the picnic. We really want to give our 'butterflies' a really good send off so please email the office by Wednesday 2nd July to let us know if you will be joining us. For the Reception children – can you please return your completed pieces of work which is in your pack - what you have enjoyed in Ruby Class and what you are looking forward to in Sapphire Class as we want to use these as part of our celebration. Many thanks

Have a lovely weekend and take care.

Pat Creed & Elena Dall'Aglio

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SAPPHIRE CLASS

It was lovely to welcome more children back into Sapphire Class with us this week. It has certainly been a creative week, with writing information leaflets about a chosen animal of our choice, using iPads/laptops to complete My Maths and completing African sunset pictures by mixing paints to create different shades of colours. The children in have represented the Sapphire bubble extremely well again this week and want to be very proud of themselves – we certainly are. I am also equally impressed with the children who are not in school – the quality of the work that is being submitted on Teams and being completed on My Maths has been fantastic. It was fantastic to be so busy on Teams on Wednesday providing feedback to all submitted work, so well done Sapphire. For all children, please make every effort to ensure that all work is up to date, albeit whether that is on Teams or on My Maths! Please ensure you are also continuing to practice your chosen sports for the Olympic Challenge. Please see the letter attached in your Teams channel and remember to upload your best results by the 6th July at the very latest. Please remember that our annual school Sports Day this year is cancelled, so this is your opportunity to show off all your sporting talent! Finally, you are all in my continued thoughts and prayers and remember you have my email should you require any assistance with anything.

Take care, and have a lovely, safe weekend.

James Stringer and Tracey Hargate.

DIAMOND CLASS

So lovely to talk to so many pupils on Tuesday and to be able to discuss the five choices that each child has made for the Olympic Challenge – remember you will need to upload your best results by the 6th July, 12 noon at the very latest. We are really keen to try and get every pupil involved in this exciting activity and of course we want a score that we are very proud of for St. John's School especially as we have no sporting events for our pupils to shine at this year! Please make every effort to get all your work up to date as we really haven't that long to go now. This week I explained the work that needs to be completed on Queen Victoria and on how a beach is formed. Please make sure that this work is uploaded on Teams by Monday including the completed table indicating the challenges which you are going to participate in for the Olympic Challenge against other schools.

Take care of yourselves and look after everyone in your family. Looking forward to hearing from you so that I will be able to post lots of your wonderful work or exciting activities on the website.

Keep happy and remain safe.

Susan Notley and Asma Chebbi

EMERALD CLASS

Can you believe we're nearing the end of June?! These strange months have flown past, and we're now beginning to think about the end of the year. We mentioned in the Teams' meeting this week about the Y6 Leavers' Service, so please respond to the email about whether you are planning to attend or not so we can make preparations for the day. Also, with the weather improving, it's a perfect chance to practise those Olympic challenges! Try and get the best scores you can, then upload them once you're done. All the information is in the Class Materials section on Teams. We have been very impressed with the children who have returned to school and how they have quickly regained their work ethic, producing some excellent pieces across a range of subjects. For those who are at home keep submitting your work and attending the Teams' meetings.

Have a great weekend everyone! Mr Law & Mr Ezel

CALL US

If you're worried about yourself
or someone else

FREE PHONE

0800 923 9009

Domestic Abuse – Help and Support



Barnet, Enfield and Haringey **NHS**
Mental Health NHS Trust

School Nursing Service Single Point of Access

Schools are closed at the moment and things are a bit different but the school nursing team are still here to help. The team can advise and support on any general health concerns for 5-19 year olds including behaviour, bedwetting, keeping healthy, anxiety, sexual health or on long term medical conditions

Who are we? A team of specialist community public health practitioners (School Nursing), qualified nurses with additional training and qualified nursery nurses with expertise in child development and behaviour.

When? 9am-4pm Monday-Friday.

Who can contact us?
Children/ young people,
parents/ carers, school staff
and other professionals

How can we contact?

Tel: 0208 702 6184

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