



HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

Don't waste food,
it's like wasting
one of the most precious
things given by God to us.

This Week's Attendance

<u>Class</u>	<u>Week</u>
Ruby	98.6%
Sapphire	92.7%
Diamond	100%
Emerald	96.4%
Overall	97%

The Eco-Committee met with representatives from Enfield catering who were extremely impressed that we are trying to reduce the amount of waste at lunchtime. Throughout this week we have been updating all pupils in the school about this meeting that took place on Friday with representatives from Enfield catering and all members of the Eco-committee. Enfield catering discussed with us how they are taking steps to reduce their carbon footprint by trying to source all their food locally and in doing so also supporting the government's initiative of shopping locally. We were very impressed to learn that our eggs and the majority of our fruit and vegetables are also organic a long with our meat coming from a local butchers as well.

The pupils also had a look around the kitchen area, looking at where the food is stored, prepared, cooked and the cleaning area. Tristan was keen to find out what Enfield catering is doing to reduce the use of water and electricity. We were very impressed with the oven that uses both the minimal amount of electricity and water.

Yesterday I met with the area manager for Enfield Catering and we looked at the meal patterns for our school, the take up of school meals, feedback from the pupils in the meeting and from this information we started to explore ways in which we can reduce the food waste in the kitchen.

All in all the feedback from the pupils was outstanding regarding the quality of the school meals and as a result of this we are seeing the numbers increasing weekly which is really encouraging. In September, we are really hoping that we will be able to hold a tasting session for parents in the dining hall so that you will be able to sample the meals that are on offer.

The agreed changes that will take place from next Monday are as follows:

1. Recycling of plastic pots and plastic lids
2. All children being encouraged to eat their main meal before they are allowed to get seconds
3. Encouraging more pupils to try various different options that are available daily at the salad bar
4. Encouraging the pupils to eat everything on their tray so that we don't waste anything – younger pupils get a sticker for doing this and all pupils get to become monitors in the dining hall if they do this on a daily basis.
5. Recording our waste at the end of each day and then reviewing this in the next meeting to look at ways in which we can reduce it further
6. Review the meal patterns regularly which will also help to reduce our waste

The remaining areas that need to be explored further are as follows:

1. Looking at a more sustainable option to replace cling film
2. Using our food waste to generate compost for our garden project
3. Having two meat free days—at the moment Monday is designated to being a 'meat' free day.
4. Another meeting to take place at the end of term to review what we have achieved and our action plan for next year.



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Well done to the following pupils for being awarded these special certificates for this week:

Justice Certificates

Ruby Class: Azahri-Jonathan
Sapphire Class: Ela
Diamond Class: Georgina
Emerald Class: Gabriel

Gold Start Certificates

Ruby Class: Costa
Sapphire Class: Mariella & Amelie
Diamond Class: Ava-Rose
Emerald Class: Lewis & William

Star Writer Certificates

Ruby Class: James
Sapphire Class: Ellie-Rose & Oludamisi
Diamond Class: Cristiano
Emerald Class: Freddie

The class with the highest attendance this week was: **DIAMOND CLASS**

Have an enjoyable and relaxing weekend.

With our very best wishes,

Sue Notley

Eco-Committee

From monitoring food waste at lunchtime this week, we can already see the difference that this initiative is making in reducing the amount of food waste across the school. The Eco-Committee will be meeting after half-term to discuss to review our progress to date and to discuss any further changes that we may need to make to manage the targets that we will hope to reach by the end of term. It would be really supportive if you are also working on reducing waste at home as well.

The WEA are delivering an online version of Dave Brown's Mental Health Awareness course

It's a short 7 week course which will start at 10am on Wednesday 19th May.

The course is free to adults who receive benefit, and to those who have a household income of less than £21,000 pa, otherwise it will cost £44.80pp.

For more information, or to enrol onto the course please use the link below.

<https://enrolonline.wea.org.uk/Online/2020/CourseInfo.aspx?r=C2422601>

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) £3.50 per day



SAPPHIRE CLASS

A very busy week in Sapphire Class with much more learning, smiles and laughter!! In Literacy, Ms. Dall'Aglio's and Mrs. Hargate's group have looked at suffixes and how they can alter the meaning of a root word (i.e. happy becoming happier and happiest). Mr. Stringer's Literacy group have continued with our core text, Mrs. Rainbow, where we have used our comprehension skills to answer key questions based on the evidence in the text as well as linking this to our own personal thoughts and ideas. In Maths, we have all looked at multiplication and division. **Please note:** by the end of KS1, all children need to be fully competent in their 2s, 5s and 10s times tables (both multiplication and division). Today, your child was sent home with the latest pack of homework; please do ensure it is all completed as these packs are carefully designed to further facilitate the learning taking place in school. **Year 1 parents:** please do keep practising the tricky red words and both Speed Sounds Sets 2 and 3 as these are absolutely crucial in working towards preparing the children for the **Phonic Screening Check that will be taking place before we finish for summer**. If you do not have the sound flashcards, I cannot strongly recommend enough purchasing them following this link: <https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Uniform/Default.aspx?shopid=783>. Furthermore, please follow the link below for assistance in how to say the sounds, what sounds appear in which set etc: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TkXcabDUq7Q>. **Please focus on Sets 2 and 3 as well as the Tricky Red Words.**

If anyone has any questions or queries about the above (or anything else), please do email me at James.Stringer@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk and I will be more than happy to help.

Take care, stay safe have a lovely, peaceful weekend!

James Stringer, Tracey Hargate and Elena Dall'Aglio James.Stringer@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk

Online Safety

Hope everybody continues to remain safe and well and that you are all okay.

I just want re-share with you the link that I posted in last week's newsletter: <https://www.internetmatters.org/schools-esafety/primary/parent-support/>.

As explained last week, technology, apps and devices seem to be forever evolving these days and thus the real importance of the online safety of all parties when online. This link has lots of great hints, tips and resources to support you in ensuring that the children remain as safe as absolute possible when online.

I wish everyone a happy, safe, weekend. Take care everybody!

Take care.

James Stringer

James.Stringer@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk

School Uniform

This can be purchased from Smiths Schoolwear, 155-157 Lancaster Rd, Enfield EN2 0JN.

If you would like to purchase a school tie or water bottle, this can be purchased from the ParentPay shop, where the link is located on our homepage of the school website or please use the link below.

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Uniform/Default.aspx?shopid=783>

Date List for Summer Term 2021		
MAY		
Friday 21	Leaving Presentation to Father Peter	10.15 a.m.
Friday 28	School Council Meeting	
Monday 31—Friday 4 June	HALF TERM	
JUNE		
Friday 11	Eco-Committee to meet	
Monday 14	Healthy Eating Week	
Monday 21	Science Week	
Friday 25	INSET DAY—closed, report writing for Teachers	
JULY		
Monday 5	Assessment Week all classes	
Thursday 15	Graduation Concert—Ruby Class	
Friday 16	End of Term Reports to be sent out	
Tuesday 20	Sports' Day	
Friday 23	Leavers' Service	

SUMMER 2021	
Starts	Monday 19 April
Half-term	Monday 31 May—Friday 4 June
Ends (1.00pm)	Friday 23 July
Bank Holiday	Monday 3 May & Monday 31 May
INSET DAY	Friday 25 June

AUTUMN 2021	
Starts	Thursday 2 September
Half-term	Monday 25 October—Friday 29 October
Ends (1.00pm)	Friday 17 December
INSET DAY	Wednesday 1 September
INSET DAY	Monday 1 November
INSET DAY	Friday 26 November

SPRING 2022	
Starts	Wednesday 5 January
Half-term	Monday 14 February—Friday 18 February
Ends (1.00pm)	Friday 1 April
INSET DAY	Tuesday 4 January

St. John's School Prayer

Dear God

Thank you for St. John's School and for making us one whole family.

Help us to remember that we are a team and should all work together and care for each other.

Keep our hearts full of love and friendship.

Thank you for our friend Catriona who no longer is with us.

Help us to keep the school's Golden Rules.

Thank you for helping us celebrate our good works and achievements. We ask you to keep us all safe.

Amen

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Starts	Tuesday 19 April
Half-term	Monday 30 May—Friday 3 June
Ends (1.00pm)	Friday 1 April
INSET DAY	Friday 1 July
Bank Holiday	Monday 2 May & Monday 30 May

RUBY CLASS

This week in Ruby Class we have been focusing on adding in two's. We have used lots of different resources to help including the children as we have marched around in two's! We have linked this concept with the story of Noah's Ark as Noah loaded the animals two by two to escape the floods God had sent. In literacy we have been looking at rhyme and have been recognising rhyming words within a sentence. In phonics we have continued to learn our latest speed sounds and tricky red words and have been investigating syllables within words; beginning with our own names. We have also begun our daily guided reading sessions where the children work in small groups with an adult to read either a ditty or a RML reading scheme book. With this in mind I would like to invite the reception parents to a reading meeting next Wednesday at 1.30 p.m. on 'Teams' to discuss the phonics and reading strategies we are using as we begin to prepare the children for their transition into Sapphire Class. Please try and make this meeting if you possibly can (it will be recorded). Well done everyone for a great week.

Have a lovely weekend,

Pat Creed, & Sylwia Hocyk pat.creed@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk

DIAMOND CLASS

This week Diamond have been doing lots of writing and we have produced some great stories/pieces of creative writing about a tiger. We have been concentrating on using a variety of conjunctions as well as maintaining a high quality of vocabulary and figurative techniques in our writing. In mathematics, Diamond have been mastering the use of money and learning to add and subtract different amounts of pence and pounds and also how to give correct change. In science, the children have been looking at different insulators and conductors in their topic of electricity. In Diamond's religious studies, they have been continuing to interact with the topic of Buddhism and in particular, the idea of how you can be happy with very little – an important lesson for everyone in the world. In history the children are very excited to be creating group presentations on a few historical characters. In these presentations, the children will be presenting their case for how their character has contributed the most to the children's welfare. In art, the children have been creating goodbye messages for Father Peter – we'll miss you!

Well done for another great week Diamond and have a great weekend.

Jack Larkin and Asma Chebbi

EMERALD CLASS

It seems very strange this week not commenting on how well the Year 6 children have done in their SATS tests and how much they enjoyed Law's pop-up café but due to the pandemic, SATs across the country have been cancelled this year, year 6 children will receive their end of year teacher assessments in their final report which will be issued in July. This week in maths we have been mainly focusing on 3D shapes with some recapping of 2D shapes. The children had the challenge of making nets to form a cube, triangular prism, hexagonal prism and a dodecahedron (which was their favourite). Some children also found out that there are 11 different nets of a cube and most found out that making 3D shapes is not as easy as it first looks!! In English the children have continued to work on their word classifications and using adventurous similes and metaphors to describe a poppy field. Since lockdown it is really encouraging to see the quality of writing improving although a key target is writing stamina. In RE the children have completed their liturgy using Microsoft Publisher with a wide range of themes including humility, forgiveness, happiness and the Christian festivals of Christmas and Easter. After a slow week last week on the homework front, we are pleased to report that the huge majority of children completed both their MyMaths and mental maths homework on time. It is extremely important that the children get back into the regular routines of completing their home learning tasks as they really support and consolidate the learning that is going on in school. Please remember to keep practising times tables if you still can't recall them at a significant speed.

We hope you have a relaxing weekend, hopefully enjoying some warmer temperatures.

Parents' Information

If such a need should arise, if a pupil has a positive test, please contact the school office during school hours, otherwise please email the Headteacher.

head@stjohnsprimarysch.org.uk

Alternatively, if your child has had a negative test, we now need to see the evidence of this—so please email this to the school office.

Know Your Symptoms

Covid-19

- Fever
- Dry Cough
- Fatigue
- Shortness of Breath

Flu

- Fever
- Dry Cough
- Runny Nose
- Headache
- Sore Throat
- Muscle and Joint Pain

Cold

- Cough
- Sore Throat
- Aches and Pains
- Watery Eyes
- Sneezing
- Runny or Stuffy Nose

Allergies

- Sneezing
- Coughing
- Itchy Eyes
- Runny or Stuffy Nose

Please check [gov.uk](https://www.gov.uk) for up to date information regarding Covid-19 information.





FREE FITNESS FOR KIDS ONLINE CLASSES

YouTube 30MINUTE CLASSES

Week/Beg	Age	Class Type	Time		Week/Beg	Age	Class Type	Time	
WEEK 1 19-Apr Mon	Rec	Yoga	4-4.30pm	After School	WEEK 4 13-May Thurs	Rec	Kung Fu & Kickboxing	4.30 - 5pm	After School
	Ks1	Yoga	4.45 - 5.15pm	After School		Ks1	Kung Fu & Kickboxing	5.05 - 5.35pm	After School
	Ks2	Yoga	5.30 - 6pm	After School		Ks2	Kung Fu & Kickboxing	5.40 - 6.10pm	After School
WEEK 2 24-Apr Sat	Rec	Fitness Fun	10 - 10.30am	Weekend	WEEK 5 15-May Sat	Rec	Street Dance	10.30 - 11am	Weekend
	Ks1	Fitness Fun	10.45 - 11.15	Weekend		Ks1	Street Dance	11.15 - 11.45	Weekend
	Ks2	Fitness Fun	11.30-12pm	Weekend		Ks2	Street Dance	12 - 12.30pm	Weekend
WEEK 3 26-Apr Mon	Rec	Street Dance	4-4.30pm	After School	WEEK 6 28-May Fri	Rec	Boxing	4-4.30pm	After School
	Ks1	Street Dance	4.30 - 5	After School		Ks1	Boxing	4.45 - 5.15pm	After School
	Ks2	Street Dance	5.15 - 5.45	After School		Ks2	Boxing	5.30 - 6pm	After School
WEEK 4 01-May Sat	Rec	Gymnastics	10-10.30	Weekend	WEEK 5 23-May Sun	Rec	Kung Fu & Kickboxing	10 - 10.30am	Weekend
	Ks1	Gymnastics	10.45 - 11.15	Weekend		Ks1	Kung Fu & Kickboxing	10.45 - 11.15	Weekend
	Ks2	Gymnastics	11.30-12	Weekend		Ks2	Kung Fu & Kickboxing	11.30-12pm	Weekend
WEEK 5 07-May Fri	Rec	Fitness Fun	4-4.30pm	After School	WEEK 6 30-May Sun	Rec	Gymnastics	4-4.30pm	After School
	Ks1	Fitness Fun	4.45 - 5.15pm	After School		Ks1	Gymnastics	4.45 - 5.15pm	After School
	Ks2	Fitness Fun	5.30 - 6pm	After School		Ks2	Gymnastics	5.30 - 6pm	After School
WEEK 6 09-May Sun	Rec	Yoga	10 - 10.30am	Weekend	WEEK 6 30-May Sun	Rec	boxing	10 - 10.30am	Weekend
	Ks1	Yoga	10.45 - 11.15	Weekend		Ks1	boxing	10.45 - 11.15	Weekend
	Ks2	Yoga	11.30-12pm	Weekend		Ks2	boxing	11.30-12pm	Weekend

For access to free session links head to activeenfield.co.uk/page/schools-online-sessions/
For further queries email sport@enfield.co.uk

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www.enfield.gov.uk



OWL is the latest way to interact with your local police and Neighbourhood Watch

- Regular local updates from your local police
- Get Covid-19 alerts on rule changes and scams
- Advice on improving your home and personal security
- Builds stronger ties with Neighbourhood Watch leading to safer communities
- A unique collaboration between the police and the public designed to tackle the issues that are important to you
- A quick, easy, and flexible system that fits in with your lifestyle

Register for **FREE** at www.owl.co.uk/met



Life after Loss

citizens
advice Enfield

Has COVID-19 changed your life?

Weighed down by unexpected money problems and mounting debt?

Can't afford funeral costs?

Can't work due to COVID illness

You are not alone.

We can help you with:

- Immediate Emotional Support
- Bereavement Counselling.
- Fasttrack access to benefit, debt and universal credit advice.
- Emergency Relief Grants of up to £500.

Struggling to cope with grief after losing a loved one?

Feeling overwhelmed?

Need to talk to someone about your feelings?



Call us on:
Advice: 0300 330 1167



Email us at:
lifeafterloss@mind-in-enfield.org.uk
lifeafterloss@enfieldcab.org.uk

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

beh-tr.CedarSN@nhs.net



RAPID LATERAL FLOW TESTING

Households and bubbles of all school pupils and staff

From 1 March 2021, if you're a member of a household, childcare bubble or support bubble of staff or a pupil you can get a twice-weekly test. Here is how:

1

Take a test at a rapid lateral flow test site

- Centres open 7 days a week 9-6pm
- Boundary Hall, 7 Snell's Park, N18 2SY
 - Brigadier Hall, Cedar Road, EN2 0NL
 - British Alevi Federation Community Centre, Great Cambridge Road, N9 0LE
 - Green Towers Community Centre, Plevna Road, N9 0TE
 - Kempe Hall, Kemp's Road, Enfield, EN1 4QS
 - Southgate Library, High Street, Southgate, N14 6BP
 - John Wilkes House, 79 High Street, EN3 4EN

2

Collect test kits

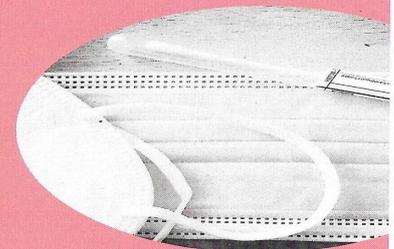
- You can collect 2 packs of home test kits at a local collection point. Each pack contains 7 tests. Centres open daily 1.30pm-7pm
- Lea Valley Athletics Centre, N9 0AR
 - Boleyn Hall, EN1 4HS
 - Raynham Road Car Park, N18 2SJ
 - Lodge Drive Car Park, N13 5UB

3

Order home test kits online

If you cannot attend a test site to be tested or collect home test kits you can order online for home delivery at:

<https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>



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DFE Full guidance can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/rapid-lateral-flow-testing-for-households-and-bubbles-of-school-pupils-and-staff>