

St John's Catholic Primary School

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Science and Geography Week

The themed week was a great success. The Science Show which kick-started the week was a very engaging start, showing a wide variety of science experiments. A donation towards the cost of this show was made by each class from their Enterprise Week profits – they kindly donated 20%.

The focus of the week was Science Outside and Geography fieldwork and many classes enjoyed a visit to the Woodlands and the Shed. Science experiments on the theme of Flight took place daily in the Playground.

One highlight of the week was the Science Quiz. In KS2 the elimination round involved everyone, from this teams were chosen to play in the Final. The winning team was 'John Constable'.

In KS1 2 mixed teams of children from Year 1 and 2 battled against each other. With the help of 'Ask a Friend' and 'Ask the Audience' questions everyone was involved and science general knowledge was thoroughly tested.

Tuesday 5th July - Year 1 closure

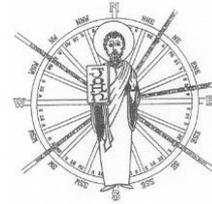
As you may be aware, the National Union of Teachers is taking a day of Industrial Action and as a result Year 1 will be closed.

We understand this may be problematic for working parents, if so please contact the Office immediately.

Uniform

We would like to remind parents that the school summer uniform is a yellow summer dress and a school jumper for girls – cardigans are not permitted. Please make sure that all uniform is labelled with children's names.

Please ensure your child has a coat or jacket in school every day. During the wet weather children need fresh air and therefore at playtimes they should be wearing a coat.



Reception Class and Nursery Class Sports Day



This will take place on Tuesday 5th July. **Please check whether your child will be in the Morning or Afternoon session.**

9.15am: This is for Reception Class and the Morning Nursery children only. Reception class are to wear PE kits for the day.

2.45pm: This is for the Nursery Afternoon children and the Nursery full-time children.

All parents and Carers are welcome!

Secondary School Transfer Meeting for September 2017

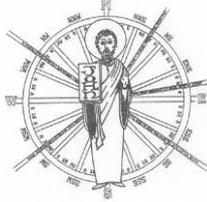
This will take place on Thursday 7th July at 8.45am in the School Hall. This is an initial briefing to explain the process for preparing for Secondary School Transfer.

Football event

The after school football event was a great success and lots of fun was had by everyone that participated. We would like to say a massive thank you to Alan's Dad and Simba's Dad for making this event happen!

Friends of St. John's

We would like to thank Alana and Shae's Mum, Oliver's Grandmother and Nedu and Christel's Mum for their help with the disco last week. They were a great support to the school.



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Celebrating Success EYFS



Events

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 5th July – Sports Day for EYFS – Reception and morning Nursery children at 9.15am. Afternoon and full time Nursery children at 2.45pm.

Tuesday 5th July – Year 6 and a group from Year 5 SPLASH at the Royal Festival Hall.

Thursday 7th July – Year 5 Parents secondary school transfer meeting 8:45am

Friday 8th – All children will be having a BBQ lunch (if your child has packed lunch they are welcome to join in the BBQ for today!)

Tuesday 12th July – Year 6 Leavers' Mass 2.15pm

Thursday 14th July – Sports day for Years 1-6 from 1.30pm at Bacon's College. No entry until 1.20pm for parents.

Website News

<http://stjohnsrotherhithe.co.uk>



Please take a look at the photographs on our website which are regularly updated. Recent photographs in Whole School Events include The Queen's 90th birthday celebration, Reading Projects, The Easter Hat Parade and Enterprise Week.

The children in Nursery and Reception have been busy practising for their Sports Day. Please see over for detail of when this will take place – all parents and carers are welcome!

KS1

What a fantastic week we have had in KS1, with quizzes, experiments and even a science show. Year 2 have been especially busy and have really enjoyed being scientists. Some children from year 2 commented "We have had such a fun week! We have been making and testing spinners". "We also tested to see if dirty hands make a difference to bread... we are still waiting for the mould to grow, we hope it comes soon."

"On Thursday we went for a walk in the woodlands and collected natural objects to show where we had walked. We used these to make a map."

KS2

As part of our Science and 'Learning Outside of the Classroom Week' each KS2 class got the opportunity to visit The Shed to look at different areas of living Science. Year 3 studied different types of trees and leaves. Year 4 observed bees in the bee hive, "some were much bigger than I expected," stated Ms Bromage. Year 5 looked at habitats on a broader spectrum, thinking about which animals live there in the woodlands and why.