



St John's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter: Monday 5th February 2018

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Half Term Fun



Do you have plans for half term? There is a wonderful Children's Festival at the Southbank Centre (near Waterloo) and over 50% of the events are free!



Eco Active Family Workshops

You will receive a letter this week, so that you can book a place on our Family Workshops after half term (22nd and 23rd February), which cost only £2 per family. All ages are welcome! **These will be interactive, hands on sessions to give families the chance to make something creative and useful out of waste materials.** For example, you could make a purse or wallet out of juice cartons, jewellery out of magazines or bags out of newspaper. These will take place in the Hall and we would love to fill the Hall with families working together – **so look out for the letter and book a place before half term!**



Don't forget to keep collecting your batteries! Each child has a box and we will ask for the boxes to be returned in the week of 19th February. There will be prizes for the children have collected the most. So please work together to fill up your box and help the environment!

Road Safety – a request for parents

As you are aware, due to restrictions, parking around the school can be difficult. There are areas which are a stone's throw away from the school where you can park for free. Surrey Quays Shopping Centre allows you to park for up to 4 hours for free and Surrey Quays Leisure Park allows you to do the same but for up to 5 hours. To help maintain the positive relationships we have with our residents, please consider using these two areas to park when dropping off or picking up your child/children to and from school.



Family Fund

Thank you to all the families that have contributed so far, if you haven't yet made your donation then please do so as soon as possible.

Dates

Thursday 8th February –

Year 5 Class Assembly

Thursday 8th February – Year 4 trip to Greenwich Peninsula Golf Range

Please remember that assemblies for parents begin promptly at 3pm. If you are late you will not be allowed into the assembly as it is too disruptive.



It has been brought to our attention that some adults have been using their mobile phones whilst collecting children in the playground and 'colourful' language has been overheard. We would ask parents to be mindful of what language is appropriate in a school playground.



Are your children using Roblox?



There have been recent concerns about children using the computer game Roblox. These concerns include how Roblox can be used to communicate with other users (children having friends online who they do not know), unsuitable content and children accidentally running up costs while using Roblox. There is useful information about Roblox and safety tips on UK Safer Internet Centre's website that can be accessed via <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/blog/roblox-guide-parents>.



There seems to be a number of old bikes and scooters that are not used in our bike shed. Any items that belong to students need to be removed before the half term. Any items left in the Bike Storage Area will be disposed of.

Attendance 09/01/18-31/01/18



- Reception – 97.45%
- Year 1 – 95.69%
- Year 2 – 95.83%
- Year 3 – 95.78%
- Year 4 – 94.91%
- Year 5 – 94.41%
- Year 6 – 94.12%



Well done to Reception class who have won the trophy for this month!

Celebrating Success KS1 and KS2



On Thursday the School Council completed a learning environment evaluation. They checked all of the classrooms and compiled a review that will be shared with the class teachers. The evaluation was to find out whether classrooms both support and enrich the learning of all children, as well as being vibrant and welcoming. They were pleased with what they had seen and have some tips for the teachers to make the classrooms even better.

KS2

Some of the Year 6 children from St John's and St James the Great School enjoyed visiting Decathlon on Tuesday. They were comparing different rucksacks, which will be purchased by the school, for their school journey. They are going on a Federation residential trip to the Isle of Wight in June, where they will be taking part in a range of exciting water sports.

