



St John's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter: Monday 1st April 2019
Next newsletter: Monday 29th April



Thank you to everybody that donated food to this fabulous charity!

Mini Friends of St John



We now have our first Mini Friends of St John's Group. During assembly names were drawn from each KS2 class as we were overwhelmed by the positive response from the pupils who put their names forward to help.



Easter Hat Parade

Friday April 5th at Surrey Quays Shopping Centre

The theme for this year's Easter Hat Parade is 'We love to learn!' Your hat might show a favourite subject or topic, it might demonstrate the skills needed to be a lifelong learner. It might even showcase the wonderful opportunities for learning outside the classroom, which we believe is so important to open up the world for the children of St John's.

We are delighted that Tesco will once again provide prizes to the children. We know that competition will be tough, as families create hats and enter into the spirit of the competition. Tesco staff judge the competition and this can be very difficult as the quality of the ideas and hats is always so high.

Please take the time to explain to your child that the fun of making the hat and entering is what is important. Not everyone can win – but it is one of life's lessons if they do not!



Tuesday 2nd April – Year 6 Class Assembly
Friday 5th April – **School finishes at 2pm**
Tuesday 23rd April – INSET day
Wednesday 24th April – Summer Term

Friends of St. John's Easter Raffle



The Friends of St. John's will be selling raffle tickets after school this week for an "eggstravaganza of Easter goodies!!" A strip of raffle tickets cost £1.00 and all profits go to the Friend's of St. John's for the school. The raffle will be drawn at 1.55pm when the gate opens on Friday. Don't forget to have your raffle tickets with you!



We would like to say thank you to the Friends of St. John's for funding (and arranging) the daffodils that the children brought home on Friday. Well done to the new Mini FOSJ Team for helping organise this.



Staff at the school are happy to sign forms/write supporting letters, there is a £10 charge per document.

On occasions staff are not able to sign documents because they require personal information, which it is not appropriate to share.

Please be aware that, as a school, our main priority is the teaching and learning of our pupils. Staff are not obliged to sign such documents or write supporting letters and it should never be considered an expectation. Any document we do agree to write/sign can take up to one week to be returned to you. We certainly do not offer a same day service!



Celebrating success

Year 6



'Our visit to the Royal Albert Hall was very exciting. We got to learn Maths and Music at the same time and this was really enjoyable because we got to use tablets to make music. We played a dice game and each group had a different instrument to play. The trip was fantastic!' **Freddie**

Calling all parents, Year 2 needs your help!!

Every Year the children study an artist called Jane Perkins. Jane creates pieces from items usually thrown away. This is a great link with our recycling topic and the children love working together to make their own masterpieces in the same style. To do this we need lots of 'bits and bobs' for example: buttons, beads, broken/old jewellery, odd bits of lego, small plastic toys/objects, straws etc If you have any of these things at home that you could contribute towards our work we would be very grateful. It takes many items to create one piece so every little helps!

You can also visit Jane Perkin's website <http://www.bluebowerbird.co.uk> where you can look at her artwork and see the types of items she uses. On there you will also see the masterpiece created by a previous Year 2 class here at Saint John's. Jane Perkins was so impressed with it she displayed it on her website alongside her own creations.

Spelling Awards



The children in KS1 and KS2 have been working so hard to improve their spellings. Not only have the children been getting high scores in their spelling tests but they have been using correct spellings in their writing too.

Next term we will have awards for great spelling again so if children didn't receive a badge this time, they can keep trying!



Thank you for your continued support.



By Jane Perkins



Created by previous Year 2 children

Attendance 18/03/19 - 29/03/19

- Reception – 96.5%
- Year 1 – 98.79%
- Year 2 – 96.55%
- Year 3 – 96.17%
- Year 4 – 96.61%
- Year 5 – 95.93%
- Year 6 – 94.81%



Congratulations to Year 1 for reaching the target of 97%