

St John & St Francis Newsletter

Friday 19th January 2018



Message from Mrs Farley: The weather is certainly rainy and blustery! We try to go outside at breaktime and lunchtime, when the weather permits, so please do make sure your child comes to school with a warm waterproof coat.

Mrs Elson has spaces in her Thursday Choir. Choir runs after school until 4.15pm. It is open to children in Years 2 – 6 (we have extended the year groups). If your child is interested, please speak to our office staff so they can register your child.

Many of you will know Mrs Liz Bowman, who worked for many years as a Teaching Assistant. Sadly Mrs Bowman passed away on Monday. Mrs Bowman was a wonderful member of staff who always had a smile and time for everyone. Her love of children and always wanting the best for them shone through, she will be sadly missed by us all.

Mr Piper's Weekly Maths challenge



Weekly Maths Challenge



YR: Do 20 jumps in each room of your house.

Count each jump to make sure you do 20.

Practise writing numbers to 20 at home.

KS1: In the Forest School area there are 48 woodlice.

Half of them hide. How many are hidden?

Y3/Y4: James catches a train at 10:30. The journey lasts for 35 minutes. He then takes a bus and gets home at half past 12. How long does the bus journey take?

Y5/Y6: 10 toy trains have a total mass of 1.5 kg.

What is the mass of one train in grams?

- Chips for cookies,
- Hot and cold delights,
- On top of ice cream -
- Chunks milted to dip
- Oranges and strawberries,
- Layers of frosting
- Adds flavor to cakes,
- Tempting treats...
- Éclairs and mousse!

Mrs Craven's Weekly English Challenge

Write an Acrostic Poem.

Remember to write neatly and to illustrate your poem. Can you read it to your class?

YR: Use the word ... **COLD**

KS1: Use the word ... **WINTER**

KS2: Use the word ... **JANUARY**



Our Christian Value this half term is Perseverance.

We will try our best in everything we do inside and outside of school



Don't forget: Parents are invited into class on Monday 22nd January at 2.45pm, to see children's work from our Science week.



SAFEGUARDING

Safeguarding is high priority at St John and St Francis Church School. We take every opportunity to ensure that our pupil's safety is paramount. We want our pupils to be healthy and happy and to develop well both physically and mentally. The school follows the latest Government Guidance to ensure we are fulfilling our duties in this important area. The Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) and contact at School is myself (Mrs Lisa Farley), and our Deputy Safeguarding Leads are Mr Alexis Piper, Mrs Claire Craven, Miss Emma Counter, Mrs Karen Kendrick and Mrs Emily Wells. Our Safeguarding Governor is Mr David Durston. **If you have any concerns about the safety of a child you can phone Somerset Direct on 0300 123 2224.**

There is lots of online safety advice on our website- [please follow this link](#) to help keep your child safe.

Contact information If you change any of your contact details, please can you make sure the school office is informed. It is imperative we have the correct details for contacting you.

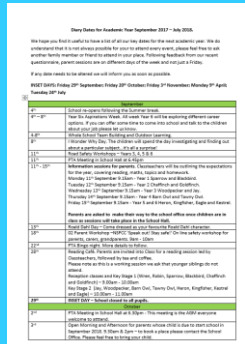


Each Friday, we hold a Celebration Assembly, to recognise children's achievements both in and out of school. This week a number of children received their Gymnastics certificates and badges from Premier Sports. If your child/ren has achieved a badge, medal or certificate, or has an out of school exam, performance etc. please let your Class Teacher know so that this can be shared on Fridays!



School Diary

Our school diary dates are regularly updated. Please check these on our website: <http://stjohnstfrancisbwmat.org/dates-for-the-diary/> to ensure that you don't miss out on school or PTA events.



Lost Property



Please ensure all children's clothing and items such as lunch boxes, etc are clearly named. Lost Property will be emptied each half term and any items remaining recycled.

AMAZING!

Amazing Attendance

The Class with the best attendance this week is

Blackbird Class!

Well done to all of you for achieving great attendance!

Blackbird Class can wear non-uniform next Friday, 26th January 2018.



Class Worship

Thank You to the following children who led their class worship.

Well done to all of you!

Robin Class: Whole Class
Wren Class: Whole Class
Blackbird Class: Whole Class
Sparrow Class: Whole Class
Chaffinch Class: Daniel L
Goldfinch Class: Whole Class
Woodpecker Class: Louie T
Jay Class: Liam M
Barn Owl Class: Whole Class
Tawny Owl Class: Whole Class
Kingfisher Class: Sam S and Jake H
Heron Class: Whole Class
Eagle Class: Hollie A
Kestrel Class: Archie W, Cody M and Hayden P

Weekly Awards

Awards are given out to children who, for example, follow the Flock Code, have shown kindness to others or have persevered with a difficult task and tried their best.

Well done to the following children:

Wren of the Week: Samuel W
Robin of the Week: Harvey C
Blackbird of the Week: Tristan C
Sparrow of the Week: Brooklyn K
Chaffinch of the Week: Not provided by Teacher
Goldfinch of the Week: Erin H
Woodpecker of the Week: Freya C
Jay of the Week: Charlie D
Barn Owl of the Week: Ella D
Tawny Owl of the Week: Dwayne G
Kingfisher of the Week: Damian P
Heron of the week: Max S
Crane of the week: Carlo F
Kestrel of the week: Mia Z
Eagle of the week: Hollie A
Peregrine of the week: Hayden P

Fair & Honest
Listen to Others
Outstanding Attitudes
Careful with Property
Kind and Helpful

SCHOOL DATES— (THESE ARE ALSO AVAILABLE ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE:

<http://stjohnstfrancisbwmat.org/school-calendar-dates>)

January

22 nd	Parents invited into class to see work from our Science week @ 2.45pm.
25 th	Tawny Owl Class Community Assembly @ 2.45pm in School Hall for parents and family of children in Tawny Owl Class.

February

1 st	Jay Class Community Assembly @2.45pm in School Hall for parents and family of children in Jay Class.
2 nd	PTA Film Night. More details to follow.
5 th	PTA Meeting in Peregrine class 6.30pm. Everyone welcome to attend.
6 th	Safer Internet Day. Parents invited into school to work with their child. Please note as this is a working session we ask that younger siblings do not attend. Reception classes and Key Stage 1 (Wren, Robin, Sparrow, Blackbird, Chaffinch and Goldfinch) – 9.00am - 10.00am Key Stage 2 (Jay, Woodpecker, Barn Owl, Tawny Owl, Heron, Kingfisher, Kestrel and Eagle) – 10.00am - 11.00am
8 th	Woodpecker Class Community Assembly @ 2.45pm in School Hall for parents and family of children in Woodpecker Class.

12th – 16th Half Term break

19 th	School re-opens following the Half Term break.
19 th	I wonder Why Day. The children will spend the day investigating and finding out about a particular subject...it's all a surprise
19 th – 23 rd	Storytelling Week
27 th	Maths Session. Parents are invited into Class for a maths session led by Classteachers. Please note as this is a working session we ask that younger siblings do not attend. Reception classes and Key Stage 1 (Wren, Robin, Sparrow, Blackbird, Chaffinch and Goldfinch) – 9.00am - 10.00am Key Stage 2 (Jay, Woodpecker, Barn Owl, Tawny Owl, Heron, Kingfisher, Kestrel and Eagle) – 10.00am - 11.00am

March

1 st	World Book Day. Please come to school dressed as your favourite book character. Reading Café. Parents are invited into Class for a reading session led by Classteachers, followed by tea and coffee. Please note as this is a working session we ask that younger siblings do not attend. Reception classes and Key Stage 1 (Wren, Robin, Sparrow, Blackbird, Chaffinch and Goldfinch) – 9.00am - 10.00am Key Stage 2 (Jay, Woodpecker, Barn Owl, Tawny Owl, Heron, Kingfisher, Kestrel and Eagle) – 10.00am - 11.00am
2 nd	Non-school uniform in lieu of donations for PTA Easter Bingo eg: easter eggs
5 th	KS1 Road Safety TACS visit
5 th	PTA Meeting in Peregrine class 6.30pm. Everyone welcome to attend.
8 th	Chaffinch Class Community Assembly @ 2.45pm in School Hall for parents and family of children in Chaffinch Class.
9 th	PTA Easter Bingo. Doors open 7pm, eyes down at 7.30
15 th	Goldfinch Class Community Assembly @ 2.45pm in School Hall for parents and family of children in Goldfinch Class.
16 th	PTA Easter Disco. KS1 6pm-7pm, KS2 7pm-8.15pm
19 th – 23 rd	Easter Focus week – 40 acts of Kindness
22 nd	Easter Services more information to follow. Bonnet Parade on the School Playground. All children are asked to make an Easter Bonnet. Parade will be at 2.00pm followed by hot cross buns in the school hall.



FREE STREET CRICKET

AGE 9-14

WHERE:

Bridgwater College Academy
Sports Hall
TA6 4QY

CONTACT:

scott.chappell@somersetcricketboard.org

WHEN:

Wednesdays 5-6pm

STARTS:

17th January 2018



CHANCE TO SHINE
STREET

- All abilities welcome
- Explosive action
- No equipment needed
- Wear what you want



Friday Night Film Club

Friday 2nd Feb 2018

3.15pm start - 5.15pm £3.00 Entry

**This is a pre-pay event only, you cannot pay on the day
(Slips can only be accepted with payment)**

Please complete the form below and return

with payment no later than Thu 1st Feb

Teachers will organise the children at the end of the day.

Please collect your child from the front of the school, signs will be on the doors.

Children must be collected from the event.

CHILD'S NAME _____ CHILD'S CLASS _____

Refreshments are included with the entrance fee so no money is required at the event. Many thanks

Please tick the movie your child would like to watch

Captain Underpants (U)	
The Emoji Movie (U)	
Despicable Me 3 (U)	