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Dear Parents and Carers,

World Book Day

The children had a fantastic day celebrating their love of reading yesterday. With extra library visits (including the first time the garden has been used this year), buddy reading, choosing forever books, reading quizzes and sharing their favourite books from home, plus so many parents/carers coming in for the Read with Me event at the end of the day, there was hardly time for anything else on the curriculum. Thank you so much for your support with reading, the children at St John's love their library and books. Learning to read, and loving to read, is very much a joint effort between home and school and we appreciate all our volunteers who support in school with listening to readers to help the children to make progress.

Parents Coffee Morning

On Friday 22nd March the school nurse will be attending and giving advice on healthy life styles, eating, sleeping and helping your child with anxiety. All welcome 9am – 10am in their music & drama room.

Parents /carer appointments

If for any reason you were not able to attend the parent/carers teacher and child consultations this week, please contact the office team to book a telephone call with your child's teacher.

PAFS

The **Tuck Shop** will be returning onto the playground after school on **Thursday 28th March**. We will be accepting cash and card payments.

It's that time of year again where our kids seem to have grown! But it just seems too close to the end of the school year to have to buy all new uniform! So why not buy some **Pre-loved uniform**. We will be selling a wide selection of Jumpers, Cardigans, PE T-shirts, summer dresses etc on Thursday 28th March in the playground alongside the tuck shop. Prices starting from £1!

Also a shout out for any donations before the event to be deposited in the black box outside reception please. Many thanks

THANKYOU to our great PAFS team who do so much to support the children through fundraising and through putting on fun activities for families to enjoy.

Outstanding balances

As the school approaches the end of the financial year, we would really appreciate all parents clearing any outstanding balances. This includes; meals, Little Johns sessions including those booked for April, trips and music. Your help is much appreciated.

Dates for whole school

22 March School nurse coffee morning 9am

28th March – PAFS Pre-loved uniform sale/tuck shop

29th March – 12th April Holidays

15th April – Return to School

6th May Bank Holiday

17th May – PAFS Summer Extravaganza

27th – 31st May – Half term

20th June – Class photos

27th June – PAFS Bingo Night

5th July – Inset day

23rd July – Last Day of Term

2nd Sept – INSET day

3rd Sept – First day of term

Dates for Year R

Dates for Year 1 & 2

27th March Visit to St John's church

Dates for Year 3 & 4

13th March – Yr 4 Lunch with me

22nd March – Yr 3 & 4 Swimming gala – team selected – CANCELLED DUE TO LACK OF INTEREST

26th March - Performance pm

27th March Visit to St John's church

28th March Performance am

Dates for Year 5 & 6

12th -15th March 2024 – Calshot Y6 residential

15th March – Yr 5 Swimming Gala - team selected

13th -16th May Y6 SATS

23rd – 24th May – Yr 5 Visits

16th July (evening) Yr 5/6 Production

17th July (evening) Yr 5/6 Production

Free maths support is available for adults aged 19 and over who do not currently have a Level 2/GCSE maths at grade 4 (previously known as grade C). Courses are FREE and suited to all levels, from Entry Level to Level 2, sessions can be delivered either online or in-person and are available both during the day and in the evening. Courses can be a pathway to achieving a maths qualification that is recognised by employers, universities and colleges; and can also help individuals access Apprenticeships <https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/participation-lifelong-learning/multiply>

Book Donations

Our school library would appreciate donations of the following books;

Jeff Kinney- Diary of a Wimpy kid
Kes Gray- Daisy books
Dav Pilkey-Captain Underpants
Jim Smith-Barry Loser
R.L.Stine-Goosebumps
Tom Fletcher
Pamela Butchart-Wigglesbottom Primary
Amelia Cobb-Zoo rescue
Tina Nolan- Animal rescue
Football books of any kind



Staff Car Park/ village hall car park

If you have a blue badge which enables you to park in the school Staff car park, please have it on display when you enter through the gates so that our staff can easily identify you.

Thank you all for helping to keep your children safe.

A polite reminder that the village hall committee do not give permission for parents /carers to park in their car park. The Black Dog, however, generously do allow you to park there so please make the most of this option and avoid the crowds. There is also a small car park at the recreation ground opposite the village hall which is available.

Sports Hall Athletics team

Please read the sports report in St Johns Weekly. St Johns Weekly is moving to a fortnightly publication from this week!



HC3S Catering team:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/hc3s-specialdiets>

ChatHealth (07507332417) services

www.hampshirehealthyfamilies.org.uk

<https://www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters/>

NSPCC helpline 0800 136 663

The Young Minds Parents Helpline can be contacted on 0808 802 5544 (Monday to Friday 9.30am – 4pm, free for mobiles and landlines)

<https://giveusashout.org/>

Text the word Shout to 85258 if you need to talk to someone urgently to get help with any mental health issue yourself.

<https://hampshirecamhs.nhs.uk/help/parents-carers/>

Family Information & Service Hub (FISH)

Please take a look at the link below from HCC with information & support available.

<https://fish.hants.gov.uk/kb5/hampshire/directory/home.page>

X: @SJTB_Waltham

Facebook: St John the Baptist C of E Primary School

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/solihullapproach>

Youth counselling for children aged 11+, and parental support to enable you to support your child is available.

<https://winchesteryouthcounselling.org/what-we-offer/support-for-parents/>

Hampshire Go Green

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/environment/gogreen>