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Dear Parents and Carers,

SATS week and assessments for Y1,2,4

Our Y6 children will be doing their SATS on the 13-16 May, **they MUST be in school for those days**. They have worked so hard this year to be ready for the tests. Our Year 2 children will be using the optional SATS papers which are no longer reported or statutory, however we will use the papers later in the term to moderate our teacher assessments. Coming up in June we also have the Year 4 Multiplication Check and the Year 1 Phonics Check. **Year 1s MUST be in school on 10 and 11 June**. The children in the other year groups will be doing their termly assessments as usual, in June, so no one misses out!

Sextortion and online harm

We have forwarded a letter sent to all schools this week by the National Crime Agency as they have asked that all parents/carers are made aware of this huge risk to children's safety. Please read it in full. A recent BBC article highlighting the risks to children of using smartphones unsupervised is also provided via the link. Please do take every action you can to avoid your child be a victim of online crime.

BBC News article, please follow the link below.

<https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cx9wezr1d1vo>

Fruit and veg snack shop – FREE FRUIT FORTNIGHT!

During SATS week (Monday, 13th – Friday, 17th May and Walk to School/ REACH (Monday, 20th – Friday, 24th May), KS2 children will be trialling many different types of fruit and veg – for **FREE** for their morning snack, as part of the Tesco grant we received!

Outstanding Debts

Lunch Money

Please could we ask that lunch accounts are paid up to date and put into credit.

According to our debt policy any child owing over £14 dinner money is required to bring in a packed lunch until the debt is cleared.

PAFS

Bounce Bonanza tickets are on sale until 15th May so don't miss out! The tickets are £9.50 per person and are for both adults and children (age 4+).

There will be a Bouncy Castle, Inflatable slide, Sumo Suits, Hungry Hippos, bungee run, football shooter as well as a bar, BBQ, ice creams and music!

Every inflatable will be manned by a marshal, there will also be fully qualified first aiders on site.

There will be a limit as to the number of people allowed on each activity at any one time and also a limit for the time spent on it. Both of which will be monitored by the Marshals. Of course there is no limit as to how many times you go on each activity!

Dates for whole school

6th May Bank Holiday

17th May – PAFS Bounce Bonanza

20th – 24th May REACH WEEK and Walk to School week

13-24 May Fruit Fruit Fortnight for KS2

27th – 31st May – Half term

6th June – 80th anniversary of the D-Day Landings with a special menu

20th June – Class photos and Clean Air day scooter, walk or bike to school day

27th June – PAFS Bingo Night

5th July – Inset day

12th July – All library books to be returned & all accounts to be paid up

16th July – Sports day

23rd July – Last Day of Term

2nd Sept – INSET day

3rd Sept – First day of term

Dates for Year R

24th June - Royal Victoria Country Park Visit

Dates for Year 1 & 2

10/11 June Year 1 SATS

24th June - Royal Victoria Country Park Visit

20th May – Read with Me 2.45pm

10/11/12th - June Year 1 Phonics Check

8th July – Read with Me 2.45pm

28th June – Year 2 BW Country Dancing Festival

Dates for Year 3 & 4

Dates for Year 5 & 6

13th -16th May Y6 SATS

14th May Y6 Quad Kids Athletics at Wyvern

22nd May Safer Travel Group 9am

23rd – 24th May – Yr 5 Visits

24th May - Yr 6 Lunch with me

20th June Sports Event at Winchester Leisure Centre for a selected team

4th July - Yr 5 Lunch with me & Yr 6 Swanmore Transition Day

12th July – Yr 6 Leavers Service at Portsmouth Cathedral

16th July (evening) Yr 5/6 Production

17th July (evening) Yr 5/6 Production

17-19th July Y6 Bikeability

22nd July Year 6 Leavers event 2pm

PAFS trip to Legoland

On 5th July, St Johns has an Inset day and we have managed to secure some tickets at a great price of £20 per person (plus booking fee). Tickets are available on the PAFS website.

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/pafs/>

Clean Air Day Active Travel Breakfast 20 June

We are looking for a business sponsor for our breakfast, please get in touch if you have a contact in the fruit or bakery business who would like to donate products, or if you can make a business financial donation for us to buy the items for our clean air day breakfast. Thank you

Collective Worship - Gamechangers

This week we continued our theme of Gamechangers and learnt about two sisters in Bali who got the law changed to ban single use plastic bags. We read the bible verse 1 Timothy 4 12:

Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity.

We also had the Last Supper of Jesus and his disciples re-enacted by the Open The Book group.

Question of Faith day for Y3/4

We have visitors from Southampton City Mission come into school to lead these RE days for our children to learn about aspects of the Christian faith as part of our curriculum. Jordan came into school on behalf of SCM to teach the children about what followers of Jesus believe.

The Wickham Pantry

Tuesdays 1 - 3pm, 6 - 7.15pm

The pantry provides a helping hand for those who need it. For a £6 donation, shoppers receive around £20 worth of fresh, frozen, and store-cupboard ingredients. It really makes a difference to those struggling with the cost of living. Membership is free, and you only pay when you visit the pantry.

To find out more please contact wickhampantry@gmail.com.

Morning arrivals

Children must not arrive on site until 8.40am in the morning. Any children that do arrive before this time, unaccompanied, will be signed in to Little Johns Breakfast Club and charged accordingly.

Little Johns

- It is the Parent/Carer's responsibility to ensure that payment is made in advance and received by the 20th of the preceding month.
- If payment is not received by the requested date, acceptance to the club may be withdrawn, even if they are a regular member, so please ensure that you keep your payments up to date. We reserve the right to withdraw a place for your child/ren if payment is outstanding.
- We are happy to accept last minute bookings in an emergency, however, it does help us to organise staffing and food orders if parents prebook ALL sessions the week before.

Your assistance is much appreciated.

Parking wardens on Solomons Lane

You may have noticed that the Parking Wardens have been attending more frequently of late and have issued tickets to those drivers who are parking against the law. Please avoid their attention by setting off ten minutes early, parking safely in a side road nearby and walking up the Board walk or the woodland walk to enjoy a peaceful walk to school – or use the Black Dog car park.

INSET days for 24-25 Academic year

Monday 2nd September

Friday 25th October

Monday 24th February

Friday 2nd May

Monday 7th July

Education Catering team:

[Education Catering | Hampshire County Council \(hants.gov.uk\)](#)

www.hampshirehealthyfamilies.org.uk

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

ChatHealth (07507332417) services

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://www.meonvalleyfoodbank.co.uk/>

<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/g/what-we-offer/support-for-parents/>

Hampshire Go Green

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/environment/go-green>