



St John the Baptist Church of England Primary School

Jottings 27th September 2024

Little Johns Reminder

If your child is new to Little Johns and the childcare voucher scheme, once you have set up the account please could you send us the reference number you have been given. This then allows us to set up the account this end.

Rotary Shoebox Scheme

Please see attached a leaflet regarding the Shoebox Scheme. Every family will receive a shoebox.



School Census Day – 3rd October.

It's an important day in the Primary School Calendar, as the Government will use the numbers of children who eat school meals on this day to identify the level of funding each school receives. **Put simply, the more children eating a school lunch on this day, the more funding our school can access.**

Please see attached our School Census Day menu. We are going to have a Italian Harvest Day Menu.

- Pizza
- Spaghetti Bolognese with tomato bread, garlic bread, plain bread & a salad bar

Pudding

- Lemon Drizzle Cake



Arbor – Extra activities

Please be aware any clubs or extra activities run by the school will be set up on Arbor for you to register your child. A letter or email will be sent out regarding any extra events, PLEASE NOTE only children registered on Arbor will be able to participate. This is extremely important for the smooth running of the school, so we have a clear understanding of children wanting to take part and for our records.

Parent Consultation

Monday 4th & Thursday 7th Nov – Parent Consultation 3.30pm – 6.20pm – This will be available to book on Arbor from 7th Oct 9am until 1st Nov 9am.



Walktober 2024!

We are taking part in Walktober 2024! As we head into autumn, it's important that we all keep active and where possible, get outdoors. To encourage this, the Sustainable Transport Team at Southampton City Council has invited schools to celebrate International Walk to School Month by taking part in Walktober. This event is designed to inspire pupils, families and staff to travel actively and sustainably throughout October.

We hope as many of our pupils, families and staff as possible can get involved by walking, wheeling, cycling, scooting, using Park and Stride and public transport more often. There is a Walktober competition for your child to enter. Each pupil will receive a Walktober Activity Card. Over the month of October, pupils complete six activities (they can do more if they wish)! Pupils can choose from the suggestions list or be creative and think of their own activity too! The Walktober Activity Card forms the pupil competition entry.

PAFS

1. Quiz & Chips Friday 18th October - TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE! Get your gang together (max 8 people) and join us for a fun evening including a quiz, dinner, games, raffle and bring your own drink! www.pta-events.co.uk/pafs

Raffle tickets will be being sent out in your children's school bags next week. Please fill in the stubs and return them to your teacher or office with the money. We have secured some cracking prizes so get in with a chance of winning some!

2. Asda Cashpot - please sign up to the Asda reward scheme and nominate St John's. If you shop at Asda every shop will help raise money for the school. If you don't shop at Asda even just signing up will give £1 to the school... it all helps. Thank you!

3. Easyfundraising - Easyfundraising is an app through which you can use all the big retailers to purchase goods e.g. Amazon, Boots, B&Q. Sign up on the App and link your account to PAFS. Then with every purchase you make a small percentage gets donated to PAFS. It's that simple and such an easy way to raise money for the school you just need to remember to go through the Easyfundraising App to get to the retailer you're after.

IMPORTANT DATES – WHOLE SCHOOL

9th Sept - Secondary school place applications for September 2025 are open from Monday 9th September until Thursday 31st October.

1st Oct - Walktober

30th – 4th Oct – Swanmore College Yr 6 Viewing Mornings

30th Sept – School Open Day 11am – 12pm

2nd Oct – School Open Day 9.15am – 11.15am

3rd Oct – School Census Day

4th Oct – YR Parents Phonics workshop & stay & play

8th Oct – School Open Day 3.30pm – 4.30pm

9th Oct – School Open Day 3.30pm – 4.30pm

18th Oct – YR Kenetic Letters training 9am – 9.45am

18th Oct – PAFS Adult only Quiz

25th Oct INSET day

31st Oct - Secondary school place applications close

4th Nov – Parent Consultation 3.30pm – 6.20pm – Available to book from 7th Oct until 1st Nov 9am

7th Nov – Parent Consultation 3.30pm – 6.20pm – Available to book from 7th Oct until 1st Nov 9am

14th Nov – Photo day – come at 8.15am for a photo with siblings

6th Dec – PAFS Christmas discos

11th Dec – Yr R, 1 & 2 Christmas Nativity 2pm

12th Dec - Yr R, 1 & 2 Christmas Nativity 9.15am

17th Dec – Church Carol Service 6pm

29th April – Class & Yr 6 Group Photos

3rd July – Swanmore College Induction Day

INSET days for 24-25 Academic year

Friday 25th October 2024

Monday 24th February 2025

Friday 2nd May 2025

Monday 7th July 2025

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

P.A.C.E. (Parent, Carer and Professionals Events) <https://hampshirecamhs.nhs.uk/events/p-a-c-e-25-sep/>

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.

Twitter: @SJTb_Waltham

Facebook: St John the Baptist C of E Primary School

The Revd David Isaac is acting as

Vicar of St John the Baptist, Shedfield and Rector of St Nicholas, Wickham

REMINDERS

- **School Meal Price Increase**
Per day - £3.20, Per week - £16.00 , Half term Sept – Oct 7wks 3days - £121.60
Please ensure your account is in credit before ordering a lunch.
- **Accounts Reminder**
All school accounts must be kept up to date.
- **Collection Arrangements**
If you would like your child to be collected by another adult, please could you either email, or call the school office to inform them of this. We will NOT allow a child to go home without this information, as this is a Safeguarding Matter.
- **Attendance**
A polite request if your child has any routine medical appointments, please try to make these out of school hours. If this is not possible please fill in a green form attaching evidence of the appointment.
- **Little Johns Bookings**
If you would like to book a session within 48 hours, we can do this at the office, otherwise please book directly onto Arbor and make sure that Little Johns has an up to date registration form for all your children who attend.
- **Healthy Snacks**
The school encourages the children to eat a healthy mid-morning snack. The Government provides funding for children in Key Stage 1 to have a piece of fruit or vegetable daily. Parents of children in older year groups are asked to provide their child with a piece of fruit or vegetable from home each day.
Please remember we are a **NUT FREE SCHOOL**.
- **Times of the School Day**
Children start school between 8.40am and 8.50am and finish at 3.10pm. (Children not to be on school sight until 8.40am)
- **Pupil Premium**
Some children will be eligible for Pupil Premium Funding. Pupil Premium is an important payment for schools and a really good opportunity for eligible parents to get even more support for their children in school. If you think your child may be eligible for Pupil Premium please check: <http://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/hants>
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