



St John the Baptist C.E. Primary School

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Newsletter Wednesday, 10th January 2018

Dear Parents,

Thank you to parents who have sent children in extra layers this last week and this week. Unfortunately we have had significant problems with the boiler to the older parts of school. Thanks to Miss Manton and the engineers the boiler is now fixed – but we still have a leak that means Mrs Dark's classroom is without heating (although we have now been able to increase the temporary heating in the room).

One or two parents have asked why we did not close school (or at least those classes) and the simple answer is that our view is that unless the building cannot be opened safely we will not inconvenience parents by closing. As we had temporary heaters etc. the school was safe so there was no need to close school.

After School Activity Clubs

Letters regarding places about the After School Activity Clubs for Terms 3 & 4 will be coming home on Friday evening. As usual no letters will be coming home confirming a place at Choir as all are welcome. Unfortunately due to unforeseen circumstances Choir will not start until Monday 22nd January– if you have sent your slip in, just go along on the 22nd!

Clubs will start next week, Monday, 15th January, apart from Choir and ACT II – Story Book Drama which will begin the following week, commencing 22nd January.

Clubs will run to Friday 9th February in Term 3 and then from Monday 19th February to Wednesday 28th March in Term 4.

Pop In Sessions – **Thursday 18th January** – 9 am and 3.30pm

The Agenda for the sessions In Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 will be

- Athletics – making the best use of our new resource
- Key Stage 2 only - Reading Cloud
- The Year Group Focus for this term

In Reception the focus will be on ideas to support next steps in learning.

As usual to join these sessions, please head through the main gates and go to your child's classroom.

No School Crossing Patrol

Unfortunately we are still without Mrs. Atkins, the School Crossing Patrol outside school. Please take extra care when crossing this very busy road and ensure that you are happy that your child can cross safely if they bring themselves to school.



FRIDAY TUCK SHOP

Our School Council are continuing to run the Friday morning break Tuck Shop for all to enjoy. As you know they have recently starting donating any profits made to a chosen charity, and it has not yet been decided where to support next. So, later this week the School Council will be asking children to vote on which charity they would like to support during Terms 3 and 4, and the money will be donated to the charity receiving the most votes. The charities are

- JDRF – Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation
- The Butterfly Hospice at Boston
- Lincolnshire Young Carers
- RSPCA

You may wish to chat your child about these charities to help their decision. We will let you know the outcome!

Year 5

Although I am sure it seems like the children have only just joined Year 5, it is time to start thinking about Year 6! Coming home tonight are two important letters:

- A letter regarding the Year 6 PGL residential trip
 - Which in Year 6 next year will be at the beginning of the school year in October
- A letter regarding registering to take the 11+ tests in September –
Please sign and return this form to us by 2nd February to register your child to take the 11+ test.
If you do not wish your child to take the 11+ we would be grateful if you could let us know to ensure we forward on all the necessary forms. Thank you.

Reception Intake 2018

Applications for children starting school in September 2018 (children born between 1st September 2013 and 31st August 2014) MUST be made by noon on the 15th January. Please see www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions, the local authority's website where you can get all the information you need and apply online.

Please remind any friends and relatives who have children of this age.

If you already have a child at this school, please don't forget to put their details in the "sibling" section of the application form, as without this the application will not be processed using the sibling criteria.

Celebration Worship

This year we have changed the way our Award certificates will be presented and they are now presented at the end of our Wednesday Collective Worship in Church.



Next week, **Wednesday 17th January**, the following **Key Stage 2** children will receive their awards in Church:

Emily (3DT)
Savannah (4CD)
Katie W. (4CD)
Luke (4CD)
Ben N. (4CD)
Natalie (5JW)
Lois (5MB)
Lily (5MB)
Caitlin (5MB)
Amelia H. (5MB)
Ollie (6NC)
Jake (6NC)

The following week, **Wednesday 24th January**, the following **Key Stage 1** children will receive their awards in Church.

Mollie (1HP)
Eydee (2JoB)
Callum (2JoB)
Scarlett (2JoB)

Please enter Church through the West Door on Hawthorn Bank. Our services begin at 9.00 am.

HOT SCHOOL LUNCHES

Now the weather has really turned Wintery and cold why not book your child a hot school lunch to fuel them at lunchtime?

Please book meals for week commencing 22nd January by midnight tomorrow.

<http://hotmeals.st-john.lincs.sch.uk>

Why not come and join our Wednesday Collective Worship in Church



This term our worship will focus on our values of love and respect and we hope that you might be able to join us for Worship on Wednesday at 9a.m. in church.

The pattern of worship for this term is as follows

Wednesday 17th January – Key Stage 2

Wednesday 24th January – Key Stage 1

Wednesday 31st January - Key Stage 2

Wednesday 7th February – Key Stage 1

Our School Collective Worship plan is available to view on our School website

St. John's Church also invite you join them at their "All Age" Services that are coming up

Sunday 21st January 2018 at 9:30am

Sunday 4th February 2018 at 10:45am (Candlemas with Archdeacon Justine)



Telephone: 07784499965 during Kid's Club opening hours only.

Our Breakfast Club opens at **7.30 am** (£3.00 per session) and the After School Club runs until **6.00pm** (£6.00 per session).

PLEASE NOTE THAT LAST MINUTE AVAILABILITY IS BECOMING VERY LIMITED – TO ENSURE PLACES PLEASE BOOK AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE AND WHEN NEEDING PLACES FOR THE LAST MINUTE PLACES, PLEASE CHECK AVAILABILITY BEFORE BOOKING.

Bookings are now being taken for the February Half Term Holiday Club Week beginning 12th February

Bookings should be made using the booking forms, which are available from Mrs. Gilbert, the school office and the school office.

Diary dates - Don't forget to look at our new website for a full list of the year's dates and things happening in school....

18 th January	Pop In Sessions at 9.00 am and 3.30 pm
26 th January	Australasia Day
7 th February	Parents' Evenings 5.30 pm to 8.00 pm
8 th February	Parents' Evenings 3.30 pm to 6.00 pm