



St John the Baptist C.E. Primary School

Website: www.st-john.lincs.sch.uk

Twitter link @SpaldingStJohns

Email address : parent@st-john.lincs.sch.uk

Newsletter Wednesday, 18th July, 2018

Dear Parents,

We have now reached the end of another busy school year! Children are enjoying the final week in school with lots of end of term activities as we head towards the Summer break.

In school we have had another busy year. Our curriculum kitchen has got underway and children are starting to enjoy developing their cookery skills and using our allotment ingredients. Academically our focus on reading is reaping rewards and our end of Key Stage results this year are again ahead of those nationally – so well done to our Year 6 youngsters who undertook SATs.

Of course this is the time of year when we say goodbye and good luck to all of our current Year 6 as they move on to their new schools. We hope that they will all build on the firm foundations they have laid and go on to achieve their hopes and aspirations for the future.

It is also time to say “thank you” to you for all of the support that you have given to school and to your youngsters over the past year. Working together offers youngsters the very best opportunity to do well – so we very much welcome your support.

So the summer break has almost arrived but all too soon it will be time to welcome the new children who will be joining us in September. Until then I wish you all the very happiest of holidays. Wherever you travel I hope you have a safe journey and an enjoyable time.

Children will return to school on Tuesday 4th September.

Yours sincerely

Paul Reid
Headteacher



We also wish many congratulations and best wishes to Miss Casson who is getting married during the Summer break and will return to school in September as Mrs. Gibbons!

Goodbye and Good Luck to all our Year 6s!!

Year 6 have had a wonderful last few weeks in school, with the highlight being their visit to PGL last weekend - they all had a tremendous time trying lots of new activities and spending time with their friends.



Further Year 6 Events

Friends of School – Leavers Evening Party – Wednesday 18th July 6 till 8pm

Leavers’ service – Friday 20th July, 9.15 am at the Church followed by refreshments in the school hall.

Also please see an invitation below from some Year 6 parents who are organising a “Party in the Park” on the last day of term.....

St Johns School – Year 6 ‘Party in the Park’

To all Parents and Guardians of Year 6 Students

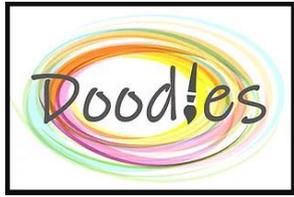
Date: Friday 20 Jul 18 (last day of term).

Time: 4-7pm.

Venue: ‘The Parkway Park/Green’ (down Rembrandt Way).

A final chance for St Johns School ‘Year 6 students and their families’ to get together and say goodbye to primary school. Bring a picnic, picnic mat or gazebo and come and play some games. Local press will hopefully be attending and an ice cream van (if you should wish to purchase an ice-cream). Please note that Elite Sports will not be attending this event due to a prior engagement. No responsibility will be taken for unaccompanied children.

(please note that this is an event organised by parents and not by school)



Doodles, the local “paint a pot” pottery are expanding and moving into new premises at Baytree Garden Centre. As part of their moving celebrations they are running a competition for local Primary Schools offering the winning the school the opportunity for every child to create their own tile which can then be made into a Celebration Tile Wall. Following lots of nominations we are lucky enough to be one of the short-listed schools. We feel this would be another lovely art display

for our school and would welcome your support. They are running the competition from their Facebook page – please search for “Doodles” and vote for our school!

Frozen Friday Tuckshops continue.....



On our last day of term, our Frozen Friday tuckshop continues

Ice pops and Frubes for 30 p

This week raising funds for JDRF

Chess Tournament

‘The sixth annual St John’s chess tournament was held on Thursday, and 35 children competed over four rounds to see who would be crowned chess champion. A great deal of good chess was played, with concentration and sportsmanship, helped by a break for ice poles at the halfway stage. At the end of the four rounds, Rosie and Jake both had maximum points, and so a nail-biting high-speed decider took place, watched by the rest of the competitors. With only a few seconds left on her clock, Rosie clinched the title with a dramatic checkmate.

Well done to all the children for taking part, and also a big thank you to Mrs Willerton and Mr Lewis who helped organise the event, and to Miss Manton who sourced the trophy.’



Information for parents of Year 5 children:

Please see the letter emailed home this evening from Lincolnshire County Council regarding the process of transferring to Secondary school in 2019.



Allotment news

Our allotment continues to flourish and supplied another produce stall for parents on Tuesday after school.



Medication in School

If your child has any medicine held in school, such as inhalers or epipens, these will be sent home at the end of the week. All medicines must be taken home over the summer holidays, but if your child is attending the Holiday Club, please bring it along with them. Please take this opportunity to check expiry dates on any medication that we hold.

Please return all medication in September along with the consent to administer form.

Hot Meals

Please look out for a text letting you know when the menus are online for you to book your children's meals for September.

Please note that all new Reception children parents will be informed in September about ordering meals for when your children start with us full time on 17th September.

Reception classes resources

If over the Summer break you are having a sort through children's unwanted items our Reception classes would welcome donations of :

- Dressing up clothes for their topics – doctors and vets / Space / Café / Mechanics / Pirates / Police / Fire / Postal Services / Knights / traditional tales /Waistcoats / Hats / Ties – on elastic / Bow ties - large enough to go over the top of school uniform please!
- Clothed dolls
- Toy cars
- Small farm machinery toys and animals
- Childrens' wellies sizes 7 – 13
- Also large pieces of fabric to make dens

Any spares or surplus items will be donated to the Charity Shop. Thank you!

Getting ready for September...

If you any questions or queries about uniform or other school areas, please remember to refer to our "Parent and Pupil Handbook".

This can be found on our school website under the "Information for Parents" - "Newsletters and Forms" - "Quick Links to Forms and Information"



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).

The Summer Holiday Club will be open from week beginning 6th August to Friday 31st August, plus the Training Day on Monday 3rd September. Please call the above number during opening hours for last minute availability.