



St John the Baptist C.E. Primary School

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Newsletter Wednesday, 7th February 2018

Dear Parents,

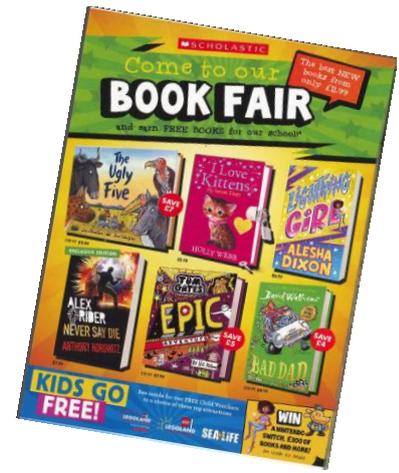
Don't forget we have our half-term holiday next week and return to School on Monday 19th February

We have had another busy week in school:

Parents Evenings – Book Fair

Tonight and tomorrow evening we have our Parents' Evenings.

During these sessions we will also be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair- why not come along and have a browse at the bargains! A leaflet showing some of the books on offer should have come home earlier this week.



No Chess Club Tomorrow Evening

Please remember that due to the Parents' Evening session there will be NO CHESS CLUB tomorrow after school.

No School Crossing Patrol

Unfortunately Mrs. Atkins is unwell and not with us again this week and will not be back on duty until after our half-term break. 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.



First Day Calling

Many of you may have seen some news stories recently about children being left at home unnoticed following tragic circumstances such as the death of a parent who had been looking after them. There has been a call for schools to make checks when a child does not arrive. Here at St John's we have had such a policy for some time. We will make contact with parents following registration if a child is absent without an explanation, and we do use all of the contact numbers we have if we don't get a response. Parents can help to with this process by;

- Ringing us before 9.30a.m. if your child is ill or away from school. This is really the most important thing to do as it helps us to save time and focus on those children who may be in difficulty.
- Making sure your main contact details are up to date
- Making sure we have a number of contact numbers for you – mobiles, home, work, close relatives.

When we can't get a response we will visit the home address, or ask the police to undertake a safe and well check – so it is important to ensure that when we get to that point it is because of a real emergency and not because someone has not changed their mobile number!

Holiday in Term Time

As you know two or three years ago the government introduced new regulations preventing schools from authorising routine holiday in term time. We have tried to take a sensible view on this matter, but we increasingly have been faced with situations where more and more families regularly take extended time from school for holidays. Governors have recently looked at this and have decided that we will start to ask the Local Authority to issue penalty notices where there is 15% unauthorised absence in a six week period and where there is either prior unauthorised absence or a history of poor attendance.

Year 2 Great Fire of London Production

This week Year 2 have entertained family and friends with their production of the story of The Great Fire of London. In the final week of their work on this topic they delighted the audience with stories and songs about the Great Fire, sharing all the information they had learned over the last few weeks. A huge well done to you all! They will have an exciting end to the topic when they visit the Fire Station tomorrow morning.



Year 6 Hockey Team

On Friday evening the Year 6 Hockey team took part in another tournament. Having moved up to the next league the games were a lot tougher this time, but the team played really well together and we look forward to seeing what happens in the finals next month!



Year 1 Teddy Bear Day

Last Friday Year 1 all brought their teddy bears in for the day to help them with their learning. They did lots of teddy related work, making labels for their teddies, word searches, reading to them and one of the favourite activities was putting on a "teddy production" in their little theatre!



Friends of School

Events coming up soon

To celebrate Mothering Sunday the Friends of School are supporting school in hosting a "Breakfast with my Mum" and "A Cream Tea with my Mum".

On Friday 9th March children will be able to have "Breakfast with mum" at 9.15a.m. – tea, coffee, croissant and Pain au chocolat for mum (orange juice and mini muffin for children) or at 2.15p.m. "Cream Tea with Mum" – tea, coffee, scone, jam and cream for mum (orange squash and a mini cake for children).

There will be a limited number of places at each session and because of this we are offering the event to Mums (or guardians) only. Tickets cost £2 per family (1 mum and her children attending school). On the day mums should come to the main entrance at either 9.15a.m. or 2.15p.m., collect children from classrooms and make their way to the Main Hall where breakfast and cream tea will be served. You can purchase a ticket **after half term when a booking slip will be included in the Wednesday newsletter.**




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QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 9th March 2018
from 7:15pm for 7:30pm start.

**Join us with family and friends for an evening of
brainteasers and fun!**

**Bring a team of up to 6 people
(adults only)**

First Prize ~ £60

Bring your own drinks and nibbles (wine glasses provided)
Tea/Coffee available

Quiz Master ~ Mr Paul Reid

**Tickets £5 per person ~ please register your team
at the school office with team name and payment.**

**St John the Baptist CE Primary School, Hawthorn Bank
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QUIZ NIGHT

9th March 2017

Team Name:

Team Members:

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£5.00 per person enclosed

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.

The first Wednesday back after Half Term, Wednesday 21st February, the following Key Stage 2 children will receive their awards in Church:



Bronze Awards

Kaydn (DT)	Connor (AW)
Ava (DT)	Phoebe (AW)
Zoe (DT)	Luke (AW)
Karolina (DT)	Emily (AW)
Freya (DT)	Oscar (JW)
Oliwia (DT)	Isabella (JW)
Konrad (DT)	Maddie-Ann (MB)
Kacper (DT)	Bethannie (HS)
Darcie (FC)	Zoe (HS)
Jessica (FC)	Libby (HS)
Phoebe (FC)	Ben (HS)
Jack (DT)	Emma (NC)
Ella (DT)	Abigail (NC)
Adrian (DT)	

Silver Awards

Congratulations to our first Silver Award winners:

Thomas (MB)
Ellis (MB)
Matthew (MB)
Jasmine (MB)

The following Wednesday, 28th February, the following Key Stage 1 children will receive their awards in Church:

Alan (Rec)	Harrison (ACSB)
Dorotea (Rec)	Elze (JoB)
Karolina (Rec)	Mia (JoB)
Lilly (Rec)	Victoria (JoB)
Macey (Rec)	Nicole (JoB)
Maria (Rec)	Benjamin (JoB)
Natan (Rec)	Shaye (JoB)
Adam (Rec)	Alex (JoB)
Millie (Rec)	Emma (JoB)
Tia (HP)	Lena (JoB)

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?

All menus for next term are now available on the website!
Please book meals for our first week back, week commencing 19th February
By tomorrow, 8th February

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

Our Chef has created some very special menus for some of our special days in school:

We have a special World Book Day menu on Thursday 1st March



- Horrid Henry's curry / Gangsta Granny's Pizza / George's Marvellous Medicine meatballs or Harry Potter's Magical Jacket Potato
followed by
Cat in the Hat Jellies/ Charlotte Webb's Cookies or
The Very Hungry Caterpillar's cheese & crackers!



There is also a special Easter week menu for our last week of Term 4.

If your child has not had hot meals before and you do not have an account to order them, it is very easy to create one! Please visit our School website www.st-john.lincs.sch.uk – and in the “Information for Parents” tab there is a “Hot Lunches” tab and this has a link to a step by step guide to creating your own account.

PGL Trips

- **Year 6 Payments**

Just a reminder to all Year 6 parents paying for the PGL trip by instalments – another instalment was due at the end of January – £45.00. Cheques payable to “St. John the Baptist Primary School” please. Please keep up with the instalment payments to secure your child's place.

- **Year 5 – Booking Forms**

If your child wishes to join the PGL trip in October, please return the booking form and deposit by **this Friday 9th February.**

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 21st February – Key Stage 2

Wednesday 28th 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 18th February at 9.30 am



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).

Half-term Holiday Club

All Sessions are now full, but please feel free to call the above number to check for any spaces due to cancellations in cases of needing last minute places.

All 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....

8 th February	Year 2 visit to Fire Station (morning)
8 th February	Parents' Evenings 3.30 pm to 6.00 pm
9 th February	Break Up for Half Term
19 th February	Return to school for Term 4
20 th February	Year 4 RE Trip to Peterborough