

“Spurring each other on with the Courage to make a positive change for ourselves and others”

Weekly Bulletin Friday 19th July 2019

Dear Families

What a lovely week for a great community, dedicated and amazing staff and incredible children!

School Fayre

We do hope you enjoyed the children's Community Summer Fayre. We had a huge turnout from across the community on Thursday, with great excitement from all who managed to taste the food, visit the new forest trail, gardens and sensory areas! Thanks to the PTFA for supporting, and to all the amazing staff who threw their all into creating the most wonderful 'festival' atmosphere with the children. It was a fitting end to the children's learning journey, where they really did create their own gardens that 'benefitted' everyone. And the gardens will do this even more next year when the produce grown is used in the kitchens too!



Open Afternoon and Parents and Carers Information Session

Lots of parents and carers enjoyed the chance to talk to their children about their learning in class on Tuesday. It was also a great opportunity to talk with class teachers and get to see the trophies, displays and academic work that the children have been doing this year. We aim to hold more of these opportunities for opening up the school next year.

Many thanks to all the parents and carers who came to the 2 information sessions we held that afternoon. We discussed educational research from the Education Endowment Fund and the Sutton Trust, exploring the links between educational attainment and opportunities in later life, and why securing the best outcomes in primary school is so important. We also talked through the school's outcomes this year and discussed the next steps for St John's. It was lovely to have that opportunity to share discussion and ideas together about moving forward - thank you.



Transition Day!

The children met their new teachers on Monday and had a terrific day! I was thrilled to see the excitement and smiles on the children's faces as they spent a whole day with their new teachers and I feel confident that next year your child will receive a terrific high quality education with dedicated staff.

Attendance

Lastly, regular attendance, on time, is absolutely critical for children to make progress. Each week we publish in the newsletter the attendance for each class and the class with highest attendance will receive a certificate. At the end of this term the class with the highest attendance will win a cash prize that they can spend on a class celebration. This term it is Year 4 who have the highest overall attendance with 97.77%. It was very close at the top with all classes achieving attendances in the mid 90s overall. Well done to Year 5 for being this week's Champion Children!



Percentage Attendance This Week

YR	Y1	Y2	Y3B	Y3H	Y4	Y5	Y6
97.69	98.08	96.67	94	98.82	97.92	100	98.08

As always, we thank you for your continued support.

Mr Funnell & The Staff of St John's

Diary Dates – Summer Term 2019

25th July 2019	Year 6 Leavers' Service 1.45pm St John's Church Last Day of Term
4th September 2019	First Day of Autumn Term