



ST JOHN'S CE PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

Friday 30th September 2022

Our Value this half term is Truthfulness: Please join us in looking out for any members of our community demonstrating truthfulness and living out this value.

'Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.' (1 John 3:18)

Attendance

Please remember that school starts at 8.40am and registers close at 8.50am, anyone arriving after this will be marked as late. It is important to ensure your child(ren) arrive at school on time as they start learning as soon as they are in the classroom. Each week we monitor attendance and the top class in each key stage is announced in the newsletter. If your child is going to be absent from school please log it on ParentMail or ring the school office after 8am.

European Day of Languages

Today, we have celebrated European Day of Languages in school, with each class taking part in different activities. These have included singing songs in French, learning how to say hello in different languages, trying French pastries and even building the Eiffel Tower. The children enjoyed learning about different cultures and languages and hopefully will tell you all about it!

Harvest Festival and Foodbank Donations

The school will be holding their Harvest festival on Thursday 6th October at 2pm at St John's church. This will be led by our Year 2 pupils, their parents are most welcome to attend the service.

We will be collecting donations of food and toiletries for the Kidderminster foodbank on the main playground on the mornings of Wednesday 5th and Thursday 6th October. Items they currently need: instant coffee, tinned fruit, tinned meat, tinned vegetables, jam, peanut butter, long life fruit juice and milk cartons, rice pudding, tinned potatoes, toilet rolls, deodorant, shower gel, toothpaste and shampoo. If you are able to make a donation, it will be gratefully received by the foodbank who have seen a marked increase in need in the past year.

Year 4 Request

Year 4 are going to be learning about teeth and we wondered if there was a parent or carer who works at a dentist surgery and would be willing to come into school and talk to the children for 30 minutes. Please contact the office if you are able to do this.

Open Days

We will be holding an open evening on Wednesday 2nd November 4pm-6pm and an open day on Wednesday 9th November between 9.30am to 3.30pm for reception intake of Sept 2023. If you know anyone that may be interested please give them the dates. To book a place please contact the office on 01562 745558.

British Value

The British Value that we have been thinking about this week is Individual Liberty.



Spelling Shed champions are:

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| 1. Alex 6FS | 1. 6FS |
| 2. Oliver 3RT | 2. 3RT |
| 3. Hubert 3RT | 3. 5NS |

Year 5 Malvern Residential Trip

From Monday to Wednesday this week, some of Year 5 stayed at an outdoor centre in Malvern.

The children stayed away for two nights and did a huge range of physical activities including: rock climbing, zip wire, walking across high ropes and low ropes, lighting fires, jumping into large nets, walking up to the top of The Beacon and eating lots of cake!

Whilst they were there, they have learnt new skills, working as a team and trying out new experiences. It was lovely to see the children developing their confidence and trying out new challenges. We are proud of them all. Mrs Taylor, Miss Smith, Mrs Galloway and Mrs Love.



Week commencing 19/09/22		
Class	Child of the Week and reason	Reader of the Week
RLN	Sebastian for gaining confidence to express his needs in the classroom.	Ava S-J
RWT	Dylan for a fantastic attitude to his learning and contributing lots of answers to our class discussions.	Lilith
1BC	Miley for always having an excellent attitude to her learning. Miley always sits beautifully on the carpet and listens really well. She tries her best with her work and is an excellent role model for the rest of the class. Well done Miley!	Victor
2GS	Axel for making huge progress already in year 2 and trying his very best in everything he does.	Freddie B
2SS	Gabriel for his amazing attitude in all lessons. He has settled into Year 2 very well. I am so proud of you!	Aurora
3RT	Grace for contributing her brilliant ideas to the class and being an enthusiastic learner. Well done Grace.	Hubert
3JG	Merryn for her excellent participation during lessons and joining in with class discussions. Well done, Merryn.	Hubert
4RH	Chase for always giving excellent answers during lessons. Chase listens well and is always the first one to offer his answers and thoughts in class.	Lily-Mai
4MK	Noah for a fantastic start to life at St.Johns. You have been really focussed and offering some superb answers.	Jackson
5AB	Spencer for a working well in a pair to produce a fantastic drama between Varjak and a street dog. Well done Spencer!	Sabriyah
5NS	Ben for creating a really good routine in gymnastics, applying all of the skills he's learnt. Well done Ben!	Luke
6CR	Kayden for a fantastic attitude and understanding in your French lesson.	Evie
6FS	Oscar for beautiful, imaginative writing in the role of the main character of our story Darwin's dragons.	Dylan

Supporting parents and children with their Mental Health

We would like to introduce you to our Pastoral team:

Mrs Taylor (Senior

Mental Health Lead) rtaylor@stjohns.worcs.sch.uk



Mrs Galloway (Pastoral Support TA)



Mrs Love (Pastoral Support TA)



We are also very lucky to have Clare Darby an EMHP (Educational Mental Health Practitioner) working with us every Tuesday.

There are many websites available online that offer advice, see below for a few that may offer some support:

<https://www.nhs.uk/mental-health>

<https://www.mind.org.uk>

<https://www.youngminds.org.uk>

If you require any advice, guidance or support please do not hesitate to contact us on 01562 745558.