# ST JOHN'S CE PRIMARY NEWSLETTER Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Our Value this half term is Thankfulness: Please join us in looking out for any members of our community demonstrating thankfulness and living out this value. If any of your children or someone else's child shows Thankfulness, we would love to hear about it.

Praise the Lord. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever." (Psalm 106:1)

#### **Attendance**

We encourage good attendance of all children in school and you should expect our attendance officer to contact you if your child is absent without a reason given or if they are off regularly or for extended periods of time. Our school target for attendance is 95%. If your child is going to be absent, it is vital that you contact the office to notify us. We appreciate your support in your children's education.

#### **School lunches**

Please remember to book your child's school lunch by **Wednesday** for the next week. Christmas lunch this year will be on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December.

#### **British Value**

The British Value that we have been thinking about this week is: mutual respect and tolerance.

#### **Online Safety**

This week's online safety is: Online bullying guide for children.

#### **Wraparound Care**

We already offer breakfast club from 7:30 am and are currently consulting on the viability of running an afterschool club as well. A parent survey has been sent out via ParentMail and we welcome all feedback from this. If you have any further comments, please email Mrs. Finlay on <a href="mailto:sfinlay@stjohns.worcs.sch.uk">sfinlay@stjohns.worcs.sch.uk</a> We value all feedback on this issue.

#### Year 6 Boys' Football

Congratulations to the boys team who played at the Harriers tournament at Baxter College on Friday afternoon. They scored 17 goals without conceding any and won every match! What a team!

#### Rudolph Run

Look out for sponsorship forms being sent home for the Rudolph Run on 7<sup>th</sup> December. All money raised will go to our chosen charity Kemp Hospice.

#### **Christmas Market**

PTA are running the Christmas market on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm. If you would like to have a stall at the market, please contact Miss White <a href="market-works.sch.uk">white@stjohns.works.sch.uk</a> Stalls cost £10 each.

#### **Christmas Jumper Shop**

We are collecting outgrown and unused Christmas jumpers and will be holding a jumper sale on Tuesday 5th December at 3:00 in the hall, selling all items for £1.50. If you have any Christmas jumpers that you would be willing to donate, please bring them in and hand them to a member of staff anytime between now and

Friday 1st December. This is a great way to clear out your old jumpers and save money on clothing that only gets worn a couple of times a year before it is outgrown, at the same time as supporting the PTA and school. We are happy to accept adult jumpers too!

#### Dates for your diary

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November – Year 2 Great Fire of London play 9am

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December – Rudolph Run

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December – non-uniform - bottle

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December – Reception and Year 1 Christmas play 9:30am and 2pm

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas lunch

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Year 6 Christingles 9am

Friday 15th December - non-uniform - chocolate

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Market

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Year 2 & 3 Christmas play 9am

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December – Year 4 Christmas play 2pm

Thursday 21st December – Year 5 Church service – 2pm

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December – TED day – school closed to children

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January – spring term begins

Week commencing 20/11/23			
Class	Child of the Week and reason	Reader of the Week	
RLN	Ernie for being a very thoughtful friend and for gaining confidence with his phonics work.	Jessica	
1DB	Roman for working really hard in all lessons and persevering with some tricky Maths activities this week finding missing numbers in addition calculations. Well done Roman.	Iona	
1WT	Dylan for trying so hard with all of our tricky work this week; finding subjects and verbs in English, and solving addition calculation in maths. Well done for not giving up!	Ella-Rose	
2GF	Harry for working brilliantly in every lesson an impressing all of the adults within the class. We are very proud of you!	Eric	
3JG	Freddie B for being really keen to answer questions in Grammar. Keep it up Freddie	Alba	
4AB	Sophie-Rose for persevering with coordinates in our Maths lessons this week! Well done. 20/11/23	Arabella	
4MK	Lillea Whatmore: a fantastic effort in swimming and being brave enough to try without a float. Keep going Lillea.		
5RH	Jackson for always putting bundles of enthusiasm into his topic and science work and for great contributions to class disscussions.	Freddie	
5RT	Poppy for working hard in every lesson and demonstrating The Three Bees wonderfully every single day.	Thomas	
6NS	Lewis for his focus and effort during our maths lessons. You are using lots of different mental strategies to solve problems and	Matilda	

	challenge yourself. Well done Lewis!	
6SS	Gracious for his focus and determination in	Beth
	Grammarsaurus. You have worked so hard	
	and contribute in all lessons. Well done	

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