



	<p>ST JOHN'S FIRST SCHOOL NEWS</p> <p>'Let us love one another, for love comes from God'</p> <p>1 John 4:7</p>	
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18th January 2023



Dear Parents/Carers

Winter has certainly arrived. Flood and ice have caused disruption this week, please take care on your journeys. We really enjoyed our visit from 'Life Education' last week. The children were fantastic at listening and sharing ideas. They learnt new information through interactive resources and a very experienced lead teacher. Thank you for your responses to the survey regarding our reward system. We will use this information in our review with the children as we look more closely at the sparkle charter. Best wishes

Mrs Reeves-Smith



We looked inside our bodies!



We met Harold.

Half Term Value

Courage

Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go. Joshua 1.9

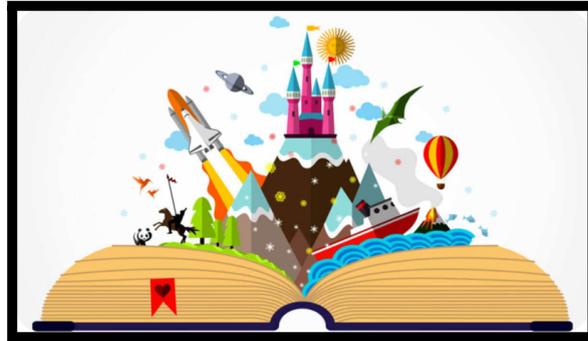


'I showed courage when trying to do backflips'
Charlie

'I thought I couldn't do the high climbing wall so I went down but I tried again and went back up'
Grace



National Storytelling Week: 30 January to 5 February 2023



National Storytelling Week takes place every year and is a celebration of the power of sharing stories. Stories teach us about the world, they allow us to step into someone else's shoes and feel empathy, they help us to relax and escape and they can help develop essential literacy skills.

In an online session the children at St John's will join masterful storyteller Wendy Shearer telling of some of her favourite stories, as well as some top tips on how to become a storyteller Monday 30 January, 10.30am.

On Friday 27th January at 1.30pm a group of children will visit Harleston House to tell and share stories with the residents. We also have resources to help families enjoy the age-old tradition of storytelling and share their own stories, memories, and experiences. <https://wordsforlife.org.uk/activities/my-storytelling-scrapbook/>



Affordable Clothes And Household Goods Warm Welcomes in Dorset How to get help and how to give help

Affordable clothing and household goods in Dorset.

<https://www.helpandkindness.co.uk/warm-welcomes-in-dorset/affordable-clothes-and-household-goods>

Cheaper broadband and phone packages

Social tariffs are cheaper broadband and phone packages for people claiming Universal Credit, Pension Credit and some other benefits. Some providers call them 'essential' or 'basic' broadband.

They're delivered in the same way as normal packages, just at a lower price. Amid rising living costs, Ofcom is encouraging companies to offer social tariffs to help customers on low incomes.

<https://www.ofcom.org.uk/phones-telecoms-and-internet/adv-ice-for-consumers/costs-and-billing/social-tariffs>



Next half term we will start class-led worship on a Wednesday. The parents of that class are warmly welcomed to come and see their child take part. The first one will be on Wednesday 1st March, led by Elephants (reception class). It will start at 9am and finish at 9.20am. Please see further dates at the bottom.



The new Worship Team in action



Friends of St John's (PTA)



The friend's of St John's are holding a fundraising disco in February, date TBC.
Please let them know if you are interested in helping out at this event.

Please remember to order lunches at least 8 days in advance- you can order for the whole term or even year in advance.



SCHOOL LUNCHES

Attendance



Well done again Pandas

 	
Class Weekly Attendance for Week beginning 9th January 2023	
Elephants	97.3%
Giraffes	95.9%
Dolphins	95.4%
Pandas	99.3%
Snow Leopards	97.7%
Whole School	97.2%

Dates for your diary

January

Friday 20th- Five loaves

February

Friday 10 February Celebration of learning 2:45 – 3:15 pm

Monday 13th - Friday 17th February - Half Term

Monday 20th February - Staff training day (no children in school)

Monday 27th February - Year R Hearing checks [School Nurse]

Disco date TBC

March

Wednesday 1st March- Elephants' Class worship Parents invited 9-9.20am

Thursday 2nd March- World Book Day

Wednesday 8th March- Snow Leopards' Class worship Parents invited 9-9.20am

Monday 13th and Wednesday 15th Parent Consultations

Wednesday 15th March- Pandas' Class worship Parents invited 9-9.20am

Wednesday 22nd March- Dolphins' Class worship Parents invited 9-9.20am

Wednesday 29th March- Giraffes' Class worship Parents invited 9-9.20am

Friday 31st INSET day- no children in school

April

Easter Holiday Monday 3rd April- Friday 14th

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