



Newsletter 3

21st September 2023

'Let us love one another, for love comes from God'

1 John 4:7



Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was great to see so many of you at the Meet the Teacher events this week. This was an excellent opportunity to meet your child's teacher and find out more about the curriculum and routines in their new class. The slides from the presentation are on the [class pages](#) of our website. You will also be able to watch a video of the teacher talking through the presentation on your child's Google Classroom page.

The weather has certainly been very different this week! Please ensure that your child brings a coat to school every day as we want them to have playtimes outside as much as possible.

Best wishes

Miss Michelle Prince
Headteacher

Harvest Service

On Thursday 28th September, we will be celebrating Harvest and we invite you to join us for the service in St John's Church at 9.00am. Once again this year we will be supporting Wimborne Food Bank and would appreciate donations. Please see the information sent earlier this week for what the Food Bank requires at this time.



Google Classroom Update

Google Classroom is up and running again! Your child has been issued with a temporary password which will be sent home by the end of the week. This is a temporary password and you will be prompted to change this on the first login. Please ensure that your child knows their password as they will also need to use this in school.



Google Classroom



Friends of St John's

The Friends of St John's group puts on events throughout the year to raise money for the school and to bring people together in the St John's community. The money we raise goes towards school trips for each class and other things such as Christmas party food and ice lollies for Sports Day.

There are various ways you can get involved:

- 1) Join our monthly planning meetings**, which currently take place at 2.15pm before school pick up. These are informal and kids are very welcome. The next meeting is on Friday October 13th in the church youth lounge and we would love newcomers to come along, with no obligation to join long-term.
- 2) Join our volunteer WhatsApp group** to receive messages about opportunities to contribute e.g. by baking for a cake sale or helping at a disco.
- 3) If you have a connection with a business** that would like to sponsor events or provide raffle prizes at Christmas or in the summer we would love to hear from you.

Please message Becky Lee on 07910532590 if you would like to get involved in any way, or chat to any of the group. Thanks for reading!

Becky Lee (Chair, Y1 parent)
Lauren Webb (Secretary, Y2 parent)
Mary Hull (Treasurer, Y2&4 parent)
Claire Allen (Y4 parent)
Natalie Compton (Y2&4 parent)
Karen Fripp (YR parent)
Sarah Garnish (Y1 parent)
Liv Handley (Y2 parent)
Kelly Higgins (Y2&4 parent)

Tesco Stronger Starts



There's only one week left to cast your vote!

Please look out for our project in the Tesco Stronger Starts campaign. The project with the highest number of votes across our region will receive up to £1,500! To vote, you will need to make a purchase within store of any value.

Attendance

At St John's we promote and celebrate good attendance. There is a clear link between low attendance at school and low achievement. Children who miss a substantial amount of school, fall behind their peers and struggle to catch up. Our aim is to ensure good attendance for all children. Good attendance helps your child to reach their full potential as a learner.

Dates for your diary

September

Friday 22nd September

Five Loaves Bakery will be offering bread on the school premises for a small donation.

Tuesday 26th September

Individual Photographs

Thursday 28th September

Harvest thanksgiving service at 9:00am at the church.

Friday 29th September

Flu Immunisations

October

Tuesday 3rd October - Books at bedtime 6:00pm

To include storytime for the children and information on phonics and reading for parents/carers. More information to follow.

Friday 6th October



Well done Dolphins

	
Class Weekly Attendance	
for Week beginning 11 September 2023	
Elephants	92.3%
Giraffes	97.7%
Dolphins	98.7%
Pandas	97.2%
Snow Leopards	96.1%
Whole School	96.4%

Open morning for parents/carers of children starting school in September 2024 9:30am-12pm

Friday 13th October

Five Loaves Bakery

Friends of St John's Planning Meeting

Monday 16th and Wednesday 18th October

Parent Consultations

Friday 20th October

Cake Sale

Monday 23rd - Friday 27th October - Half Term Break

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