ST JOHN THE BAPTIST RCP SCHOOL

Headteacher's Note

Weekly Newsletter
Friday 11th February 2022

As we close today for our well earned Half Term break, there is a lovely sense of normality around school. The sound of happy children playing on the yard and the buzz of lessons around the corridors has filled our school over the last 6 weeks.

The first half term of the 2022 has had some great highlights. The success of our Hartley Cup Football Team is continuing and we are now through to the Quarter Finals. In addition, we have entered the Athletics at Hameldon and came 3rd and taken part in the Multi-skills and Tag Rug-by Festivals. Let's not forget the Red Feb initiative encouraging all children to stay active throughout February.

The religious life of our school has been at the forefront with a School Mass to celebrate the Epiphany, a beautiful liturgy for EYFS and two wonderful assemblies from Year 4 and Year 6.

Year 5 have benefitted from some specialised teaching from Sanderson's Dance and a fun filled Ancient Greek Day with dancing and food.

Our Reception children had great fun at their Teddy Bears picnic and Year 1 and Year 2 have been doing some amazing work on Owls and as Arctic Explorers.

Our School Councilors that do such a great job as the voice of the pupils now have a new role as ECO-WARRIORS and we will be excited to see what they do next.

After all this excitement we hope you all have a restful half term and look forward to seeing you all when school opens on Monday 22nd February.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We are full of pride when we see our children in their uniform. The badge, proudly displaying our mission statement of 'Love One Another', is a visible reminder of the Gospel values we teach our children on a daily basis.

They look so smart turning up to school and that is down to you. Our standards are high because the children deserve it.

Please remember that earrings and trainers are not to be worn at school. If a child has recently had their ears pierced, plasters must be worn until they have healed. Sometimes shoes fall apart when you least expect it and they are costly to replace. If this happens please send a letter in to explains so we know the situation.

DATES TO REMEMBER

11th February	Year 6 Assembly
11th February	School closes for Half Term
21st February	School Opens
2nd + 3rd March	Parents' Evening

Congratulations!

VIPS THIS WEEK

Year R	Benedict Dalton
Year 1	Arianna Duffy
Year 2	Sonny Ramsay
Year 3	Dalton McGough
Year 4	Darcy Walmsley
Year 5	Alex Graham
Year 6	William Melling



Writer of the Week



Year R	Nola Mannion
Year 1	Pippa Beresford
Year 2	Rosie Jarman
Year 3	Kendal Kennedy
Year 4	Ruby Thompson
Year 5	Harvey Savage
Year 6	Ayden Taylor

Achievements!

A big well done to the following children for their achievements out of school;

Miley S - dance
Ellie M - dance
Hollie M - dance
Brooklyn T- swimming
Ruby M - football





CLASS DOJO WINNERS

Year 1 Fox Bennett, Sophia Davenport, Emma Lynch, Robyn Southall, Mason Brittain

Year 2 Martha Inckle, Aaliya Barry, Heidi Mansell, Felicity Baker, Rosie Jarman

Year 3 Ruby McWilliam, Emily Baines, Louisa Little, Malachey Kennedy, Oliver Potrykus

Year 4 Rafael Pinto, Helaina Beresford, Monika Poranksa, Ava Hepper, Alfie Brelsford

Year 5 Oscar Clarke, Phoebe Ormerod, Alex Graham, Harvey Boswell, Holly Mackey

Year 6 Leo Earnshaw, Jessica Kelly, George Gardner, William Melling, Noah Johnson



New Provision for "Rising 3s" available from February 2022

At St Johns Nursery, children may now attend Nursery from their actual 3rd Birthday as a private self-funded place. These places are offered as five mornings (£13.05 a session) or five full days (£28.27 per day).

Children who have already qualified for 2yr old funding may also start from their 3rd Birthday under the same funding arrangement. They do not have to wait until the term after and the 2yr old funding would cover five St Johns morning sessions (8.45-11.45am).

Please contact the office if you wish to apply or would like more information.

SCHOOL OFFERS

School places for September 2022 admissions will be announced for:

- Secondary schools on 1st March 2022
- Primary schools on 19th April 2022

PARENTS' EVENING

Parents' Evening will be held;

2nd March - 5pm—7pm

3rd March—3.45pm 5.15pm

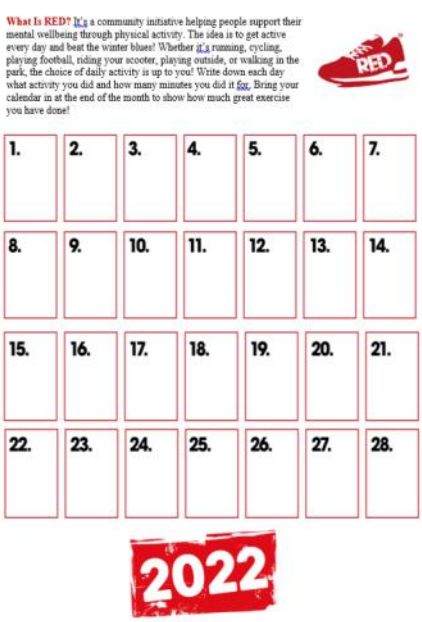
Booking will be available after half term.

Year 4 Swimming



We would just like to say a huge well done to Year 4 for their progress in their swimming lessons so far this year. Megan, their swimming instructor, has said they are a lovely class to teach and are all so keen and determined towards achieving their badges. Our last non-swimmer gained their 5m badge this week! Megan has told us we are the only class she teaches that has managed to achieve this. What an amazing achievement! Well done Year 4. Keep up the hard work!

RED FEB



Just a reminder we are encouraging everyone to take part in getting active every day during the month of February for Red Feb. This can include running, cycling, playing football, riding your scooter, playing in the playground, or walking in the park, the choice of daily activity is up to you! Your child should have brought a calendar home at the end of January. Simply write down each day what activity you did and how many minutes you did it for on the calendar. Completed calendars need to be handed in by Friday 4th March and these will be entered into a draw to win a special prize! All completed forms handed in will receive a certificate.