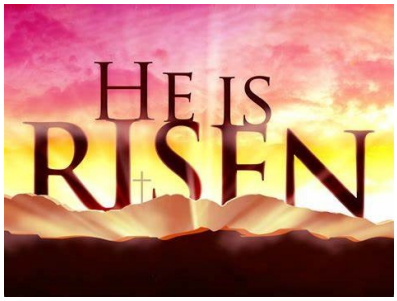
ST JOHN THE BAPTIST RCP SCHOOL

Weekly Newsletter Friday 23rd April 2021



Dear Parents,
Welcome back, I hope that you and your family were able to enjoy the break and were able to enjoy the lifting of some of the Covid-19 restrictions.
It has been lovely to welcome the children back into school this week and the beautiful weather has provided a lovely bright start to the week. The children have settled back into school routines beautifully and memories of our Easter break already seem like a distant memory.

Good Behaviour

Last term we spent some time focusing on expectations for behaviour and we were pleased to see standards of behaviour rising across the school. We have been reviewing our behaviour management and have decided to add to our rewards for positive behaviour from our children. We have decided to create a raffle with some quality prizes and we will give out raffle tickets when we see exemplary behaviour around school. In addition to this each week in our Monday morning Assembly the top 5 Dojo winners from each class will be awarded a raffle ticket to be entered into the draw.

The raffle will be drawn at the end of each term and will include prizes like:
Popcorn maker and kernels, Bluetooth speaker, Just Eat Vouchers, Smoothie maker, Treat night hamper and much more! These will shortly be put on display for all the children to see.

God Bless
Mrs McKeating

REMINDER

Tempest Photography will be coming in on Thursday 29th 2021 for class photos.

If anyone does NOT want their child to appear on the class photo, please contact the office.



PLEASE WEAR A FACE MASK WHEN YOU ARE WITHIN THE SCHOOL GROUNDS

CONGRATULATIONS

VIPS THIS WEEK

Year 6 – Bethany Redfern

Year 5 – Freya Spence

Year 4 – Lee Saddington

Year 3 – Rosie Melling

Year 2 – Louisa Little

Year 1 – Seth Molyneux

Reception – Erin Brelsford





HAIR CUTS

I am sure I am not the only person who has been delighted that hairdressers have opened their doors once more.

May I remind parents of our school expectations in regards to hair cuts, colour and accessories in particular:

HAIR COLOUR AND STYLE

Hair must be natural colour for both boys and girls. We consider dyed hair to be inappropriate for school children.

No full head colour change or highlights are permitted.

HAIR CUTS

Boys must not have wedges, basin cuts, shaved patterns or any other unacceptable haircut as defined by the Head teacher. This includes hair shorter than number 3 cut or shaved sections.

Girls must not wear braids or beads (for safety reasons) or any other unacceptable haircut as defined by the Head teacher. Hair must be tied back off the face and hair accessories should be simple, plain and subdued, e.g. plain dark colours, preferably navy.

UNIFORM

We are now able to wear summer uniform. May I take the opportunity to remind you of the changes:

The only change for boys is that they can replace their long grey trousers to tailored grey school shorts.

For girls they may wear a blue checked gingham dress with a white collar. Some shops are now selling culottes and shorts with plain white T-shirts built in – please note that these are not part of our school uniform.

NEW STAFF

On Monday we are looking to welcome Mrs Judge into school as our new welfare assistant.

We welcome her to our team and hope that she enjoys her new role as she joins our school family.



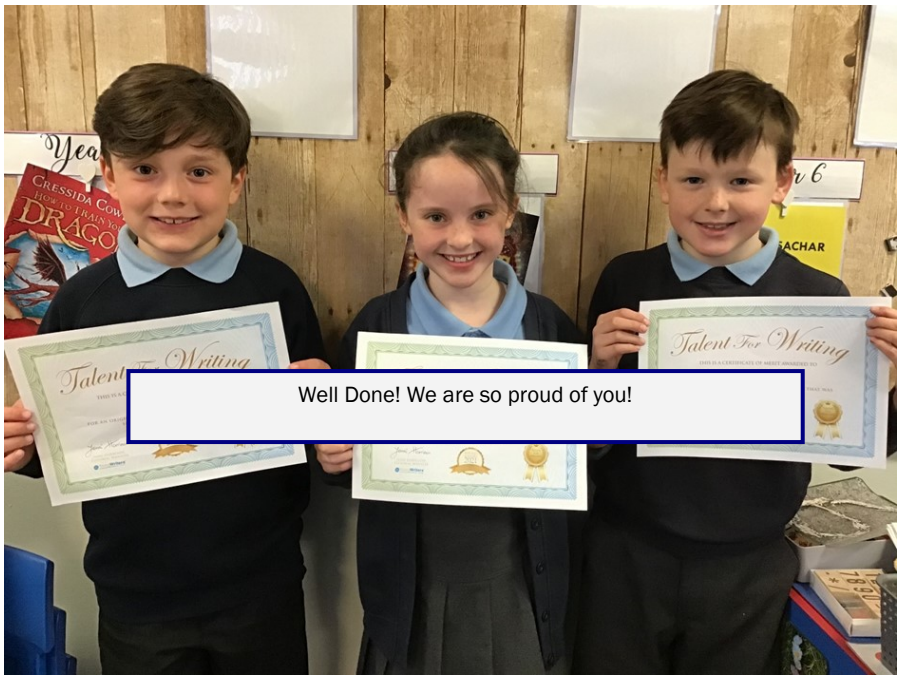
Budding Authors

During lockdown Year 4 entered a National writing competition (100 word mini saga). We have received some exciting news in the post this week. Three of our lovely children have been selected for publication in the book, showcasing young writers' work, called A Wander In The Woods - UK Adventure.

We are incredibly proud that their fantastic writing will feature in this book and a copy will remain in the National Archives of the British Library forever! This is a fabulous achievement to have their writing published at such an early age and we look forward to seeing more publications in the future.



Hopefully their achievement will inspire more children to become confident and passionate writers.



We have received these words of thanks from the Samaritan's Purse Team for all the donations received into our school for their Christmas Child operation:

You have been a part of something amazing!

Operation Christmas Child in the UK sent an amazing 265,975 gift filled shoeboxes, which is part of a global total of 9,113,853 shoebox gifts sent by the UK and other partnering countries to hurting children worldwide.

The countries the UK sent to in 2020 were: Albania, Belarus, Bosnia, Central Asia, Georgia, Liberia, Moldova, Nigeria and Serbia.

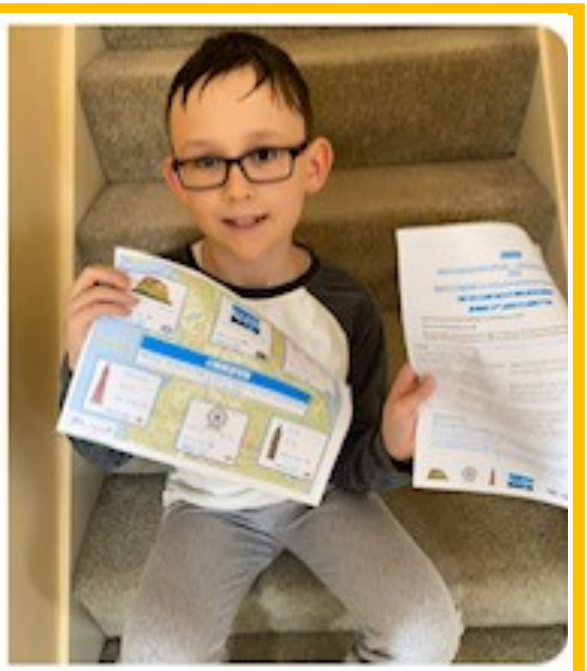
So THANK YOU for your generosity!



Year 1 and Year 2 did a sponsored 'Bunny Hop' walk on Monday to raise money for Pendleside Hospice. The children did an amazing job! They raised lots and lots of money for the charity and loved their fluffy bunny ears in return! Total to be confirmed next week!



Staircation Challenge:
All pupils across the schools who took part in the School Sports Partnership challenge were placed into a draw and we had a winner! Well done!



Diary Dates

Thurs 22nd & Fri 23rd April	Year 5 Bikeability Course for all children during the school day.
Wk beg 26th April	Nursery Parents Evening– Details after Easter holidays
Monday 3rd May - Bank Holiday—School Is Closed	
Friday 7th May	Y1 Assembly available online
Wed 26th & Thurs 27th May	Provisional Date for Online Parents Evening Reception-Y6
Friday 28th May	School breaks up for Half Term
HALF TERM HOLIDAYS 29th May– 6th June 2021	
SUMMER 2 TERM 27th June—20th July	
Monday 7th June	School re-opens for Summer 2 Term at 8.55am
Tuesday 20th July	School breaks up for Summer Holiday
Wed 21st July	Inset day
Thurs 22nd July	Inset day
SUMMER HOLIDAYS	