



We are growing  
our learning

# St John's Green Primary School

Learn to Live, Live to Learn

## Newsletter

We ♥  
Maths

We are all  
writers ...

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Please remember that this Monday is a Bank Holiday and the school is closed.

### Open Morning



Many thanks to all the parents who were able to come into school this Wednesday morning to take part in our open Morning. Parents that were able to come in saw a variety of different activities being taught including: fractions/percentages, letters and sounds, number games, Iambic Pentameters and story modelling.

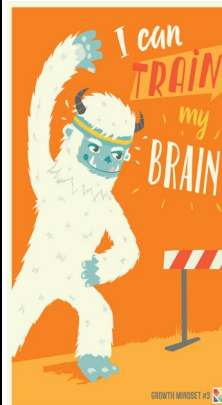
My thanks as well to parents who completed the short questionnaire and commented on how well behaved the children were in the school and how much they were enjoying their learning.

Questionnaire answers also mentioned the confidence that children showed in their learning, how they were all encouraged to join in and how well the children worked together in their learning.

Please see 'Diary Dates' for the time and date of our next Open Morning.

At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child's success is the positive involvement of parents.

Jane D. Hull



### Gardening Time and Worms

Many thanks to our Foundation parents who have come into school this week to work with their children in digging over the vegetable plots and flower beds in preparation for seeding. Many hands make light work and a sterling job was done in getting the ground ready. I supervised for a few minutes from the other side of the fence and did my best to drag up everything I could remember about worms as one or two quite impressive specimens were found. Did you know: Earth worms use their skin to breath and do not have lungs. One acre of land can contain around 1 million worms. Worms have 5 hearts. The ring in the middle of the worm is called the clitellum (also called a saddle) and is actually located closer to the mouth of the worm.



### Awards

Tigger Award (Trinovantes) - Ben Goodwin  
Eeyore Award (Oysters) - Darrell Garnham  
Winnie the Pooh Award (Castle) - Tobin Akintola  
Rory the Lion Award (Dutch) - Harley Heading  
Pluto Award (Iceni) - Karina Ferreira  
Sully Award (Mercury) - Mohammad Amir  
Diddle Award (Claudius) - Lexi Noone  
Scrappy Award (Eagles) - Evie-Anna Smith  
Bumble Award (Circus) - Amy O'Gorman  
Simba Award (Roses) - Lacey-Marie Durrant  
Stitch Award (Chariot) - Summer Aitken-McKenney  
Hathi Award (Star) - Riley Humphrey-Johnson  
Mickey Award (Jumbo) - Violet Rose  
Spot - Bailey Smith  
Heads' Award - Eagles  
Attendance - Jumbo

### Parking at St John's Green

I fully appreciate any and all concerns parents have with regards to parking around St John's Green. I am unfortunately in a position where at the present time I can add no further clarity. The information that was published in the newsletter last week was as far as the school aware correct and what had been agreed. I sought clarification yesterday with regards to the necessity of parents needing to collect their children from school and am still waiting to hear back.

In the meantime, I would remind all parents that everyone shares the same frustrations and no one is impressed by excessive speeding.

Please be patient and drive slowly around the schools.

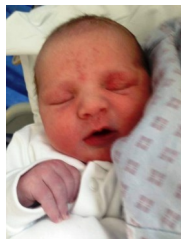
### The Great Outdoors

Class Castle have continued their work with the Town Wardens clearing up the streets of St John's Green. They have also learnt about fly tipping and the dangers involved.



### Congratulations

Congratulations to Miss Hodgson who gave birth to a baby boy at 2.17p.m. on Tuesday afternoon. Jack was born weighing 8lbs 15oz.



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Friday 29th April 2016

Open Morning  
Gardening Time  
Parking  
The Great Outdoors  
Miss Hodgson



### Diary Dates

Monday 2nd May. Bank Holiday Monday.  
Tuesday 3rd May—Friday 6th May. Year 4 Residential Danbury.  
Monday 9th May—Thursday 12th May. Year 6 SATs.  
Wednesday 11th May—Open School. 3.30p.m.—4.15p.m.  
Monday 16th May—Friday 20th May. Year 2 SATs. (Please note change of date)  
Monday 16th May—Friday 20th May—Walk to School week.  
Wednesday 25th May. Open Morning. 9.00—10.15a.m.  
Monday 30th May—Friday 3rd June. Half Term.  
Wednesday 8th June—Open School. 3.30p.m.—4.15p.m.  
Monday 13th June—Friday 17th June. Year 1 Phonics Screening.  
Tuesday 14th June and Wednesday 15th June, Induction meetings at AF for new parents. 6.00p.m.—7.00p.m.  
Thursday 16th June. KS2 and KS1 Sports Day at Garrison Track.  
Tuesday 5th July—Foundation Sports Day, at St John's Green AF.  
Thursday 22nd July. Last day of Summer Term  
Monday 5th September. First day of Autumn Term.

Our school council have been looking at: Article 24 'You have the right to the best health care possible, safe water to drink, nutritious food, a clean and safe environment and information to help you stay well.'

### Idiom Challenge

There'll be a weekly Idiom challenge this term, focusing on using Idioms in a descriptive sentence.

This weeks Idiom.



Children need to write the idiom in a descriptive sentence. As always, Answers on Mr Bates' door if you are at Town site and on Mr Green's door if you are at Abbey site.

The winning entry each week from each phase will get to choose a free book or writing prize.

And Finally ...

Poor Mr Skinner, such was his enthusiasm for getting to school this morning to open up the Town site that he forgot to get dressed properly. I won't tell you which article of clothing he forgot to put on, though thankfully it wasn't his trousers as that would have been too much for me at 7.30a.m.

Have a Good Bank Holiday Weekend

Simon Billings