



# St John's Green Primary School.

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## Newsletter

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### Netball Tournament Victory

It has been a brilliant week for our Netball team, who have followed up their success against Old Heath last week with a tournament victory at St Helena and a further league victory against St Thomas Moore.

On Tuesday, the netball team took part in an inter-school tournament at St Helena. Victory against St Georges 3-1, St James 1-0, Langham 7-0 and Kendall 4-1, meant that we comfortably won the tournament. One of our governors, Lee McIver was at the tournament and e-mailed me the following—'I was lucky enough to watch the above this afternoon and was very proud parent and Governor to see St John's Green win the tournament. They were magnificent, played really well and thoroughly deserved their victory.'



### After School Clubs

Please remember that there are no after school clubs next week or in the first week back after the Easter break. All after school clubs will start again the week beginning of 20th April.

### Lost Property

Lost property will be displayed at Abbey on Thursday 26th March @3.00p.m. in Foundation Learning Garden and on Friday 27th March at 3.00p.m. on the main playground. At Town, lost property will be displayed on Friday 27th March at 3.15p.m. in the under-cover area.



### Awards

Tigger Award (Trinovantes) - Jack Ferguson  
Pluto Award (Iceni) - Zakaria Slimani  
Eeyore Award (Oysters) - Ayana Curtis  
Winnie the Pooh Award (Castle) - Harry Duffett  
Rory the Lion Award (Dutch) - Mia McQuiston  
Sully Award (Mercury) - Sophie Olivera Smith  
Diddle Award (Claudius) - Harley Heading  
Scrappy Award (Eagles) - Riley Thompson  
Bumble Award (Circus) - Isabel Stubbings  
Stitch Award (Daffodils) - Evie-Leigh Ganjehbaf  
Mickey Award (Roses) - Isabelle Harsini  
Hathi Award (Snowdrops) - Ross Chappell  
Heads' Award - Netball Team  
Attendance—Roses  
Spot—Wyatt Swain

### Solar Eclipse

Well, we did our best but the weather was most definitely against us this morning and all we could really see was



a lot of cloud. Fortunately, due to the miracles of modern technology—we were able to show the eclipse in real time via the i-pads. Unfortunately, the next solar eclipse in Britain will not be until 2026 and the next total eclipse 2090.

An additional interesting fact for you:

*Because the Moon is slowly drifting away from Earth, in about a million years a solar eclipse will not even be noticeable.*



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### Diary Dates

23rd-26th March—Egg Decorating Competition  
25th Mar—2pm & 6pm, 26th Mar—6pm—SPLASH, Year 3/4 Production  
Monday 30th March—Friday 10th April—Easter Holiday.

### Egg-stra-ordinary

Next week sees the start of our annual egg decorating competition. All the information you need is on page 2 of the newsletter. No pressure, or anything—but here are some previous entries...



### Great Fire of London

Our Year 1 children have been mixing, kneading, baking and tasting this week as they made bread as part of their work on the Great Fire of London. Fortunately, the baking did not have quite the same consequences as in 1666 and apparently the bread tasted very nice.

Regrettably, Mrs Bullivant ate mine... The children have also been making Tudor houses...fantastic



### News Letter Challenge

Each week, I will put in a sentence or phrase which will act as a story starter.

The challenge is to write the next part of the story but you can use no more than 100 words. Lower Phase children need only write a sentence. Middle and Upper Phase will need to write a paragraph.



This weeks starter: 'Ohhh,' exclaimed Sarah, 'what could that be duck?'

As always—answers on Mr Bates' door if you are at Town site and on Mrs Smith's door if you are at Abbey site.

The winning entry each week from each phase will get to chose a free book.

And Finally ...

At the start of the week Mrs Bourne, Mr Bates and myself were all in the Town Site Top Hall first thing in the morning, when Mrs Bibby came in to set up for gym trail. As part of their forthcoming production, Year 3/4 have created a rainbow that can be raised/lowered. Mrs Bibby went over to this rainbow to test it out, whereby it promptly fell off the wall and was left dangling. As I'm sure you can appreciate, not one of us made any comments at all—much!

Have a good weekend

Simon Billings



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Dear Parents,

I realise that Christmas was only yesterday but it appears that Easter is now upon us! This means I'm afraid, that once again it's egg decorating competition time.

**Children and parents/carers are all invited to create and enter a decorated egg.** This can be any style of creativity you choose.

There will be five different judging cat-egg-ories this year

- Abbey Field: Foundation/Year 1 (Lower Phase), Year 5/6 (Upper Phase), Staff/Parents
- Town: Year 2/3/4 - (Middle Phase)

Children and parents can bring their eggs to school from Monday morning to the hall where there will be separate tables set up.

There will be a 50p entry fee per egg, which should be given to the PTA as you bring the egg in. Children and parents will then be given a slip of paper on which to put their name and the eggs can be placed on the tables. **No more than two eggs per entry, as otherwise it can get a bit expensive.**

The last day for egg entries is Thursday morning and judging will take place later that day.

Could you please try to ensure that eggs are either 'blown' or 'hard boiled' as raw eggs don't bounce and should one be accidentally dropped or knocked it is much harder to clean up. However I must stress that every safety precaution will be taken to ensure the eggs live a long and prospereggous life!

I very much look forward to seeing everybody's eggciting creations, please don't be shy - enter away.

If you're after inspir- egg-tion - please go on the school website - <http://st-johns-green.eschools.co.uk/website/photos/42505> or just click on the Photos link on the welcome page.

Yours sincereggly,

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