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# St John's Green Primary School

Learn to Live, Live to Learn

## Newsletter

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We ♥  
Maths

We are all  
writers ...



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### Coats and Hats...

As parents are aware we do try and ensure that all children go outside at break-time/lunchtime and as such, it is important that they have waterproof warm coats in school. However reluctant your child may be to wear their coat to school in the morning, please make sure they bring it anyway.



### Sutton Hoo

Yesterday our Year 3 children spent the day at Sutton Hoo. The trip was all part of their work this assessment period on Invaders and Settlers.

Whilst there, the children spent some time being archaeologists—searching for treasure (and it was very important that they 'scraped' and didn't dig). They also had a tour of the burial mounds, had an opportunity to dress up as Saxons and visited the exhibition.

All in all an excellent day, with the children a credit to the school.



### Facebook

Unfortunately, a world has been created where people will post on Facebook, things that they would never actually say to a person. The same is true, with regards to messages posted that have no basis in truth, but are rather whisperings and scare-monger. If parents have any questions about their child's class or things that are happening at school—I would urge and remind parents to: read the newsletters, look on our Twitter feed, go to the school website. Failing all of the above please just ask your child's class teacher. They are always out at the beginning and end of the day.

Please note that there is NO swimming next Friday for Year 3, 5 & 6. There is swimming for Year 4 on Wednesday.

### NumberGym

All children in the school will have received a letter recently about Number Gym and their login details. As per the letter 'Number Gym' is an online maths programme, that supports children in the learning and quick recall of number facts. Just as with reading, 5-10 minutes a day is really beneficial. There is a direct link on the school website.

If parents have any questions or problems please ask your child's class teacher.

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

Jane D. Hull

Assembly Theme for next week: Article 2, Rights Respecting School: **No child should be treated unfairly on any basis.**

### Clown Incidents

We have been asked to pass on information about Clown Incidents from Essex Police.

Essex Police are aware of a number of reports from concerned residents across the county relating to persons dressed as clowns, specifically near to schools during opening times. It would appear the intentions of these 'clowns' is to scare members of the public however to date there have been no reports of physical threats of harm or violence being caused. These incidents follow on from a 'craze' originating in the USA whereby persons dressed as clowns have been photographed or filmed carrying out various acts with the intention of scaring or causing fear. There has been huge public interest in these photographs and videos, particularly on social media networking sites which more often than not do not represent accurate reporting. This inaccurate reporting is further fuelling the 'craze' and creating a perception of fear in the community.

Essex Police would also like to warn persons who are thinking of being actively involved in this 'craze' that in doing so they may commit offences under the Public Order Act 1986 and to be more considerate of the feelings of others, especially young children and the elderly.

### Diary Dates

Thursday 20th October. 6.00p.m.—Kingswood Meeting for Year 5 parents. AF

Monday 24th October—Friday 28th October. Half Term.

Monday 31st October. Non Pupil Day. The school is closed.

Wednesday 9th November. 6.00p.m.—Shared Supper.

WB 21/11/16—Maths Week. Whole School.

Thursday 10th November. 2.00p.m. PTA Annual General Meeting. Town Site.

Thursday 17th November. 9.00/9.15a.m.—10.15a.m. Open Morning.

Thursday 1st December. 5.00p.m.—7.30p.m.—Open Evening.

Friday 9th December. Christmas fair. AF.

Wednesday 21st December. Last day of Autumn Term

Thursday 5th January 2017. First Day of Spring Term

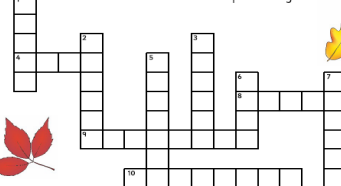
**History Days:** The children have been looking and learning about the Battle of Hastings this week as we commemorate its 950th anniversary. See Page 2 for Faith Major's comic strip.

### Crossword Challenge

There'll be a weekly crossword challenge this term.

#### Autumn Crossword

Solve the clues below to complete the grid.



#### Across

- Use one of these to tidy up fallen leaves.
- Orchard fruit.
- Furry animal with a bushy tail.
- Spiky animal who can roll into a prickly ball.

#### Down

- The seeds of oak trees.
- They fall from the trees in autumn.
- They fall from horse chestnut trees and are fun for games.
- You might light one of these to burn leaves and twigs.
- Another name for autumn.
- One of the colours you might see autumn leaves change to.



As always, Answers on Miss Salmon's door if you are at Abbey site and on Mr Green's door if you are at Town site.

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

And Finally,

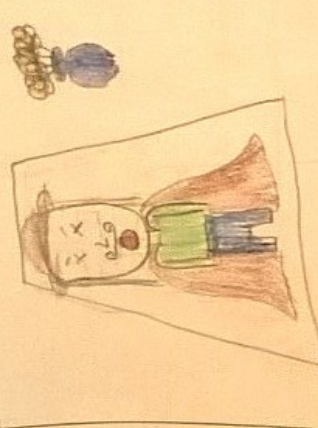


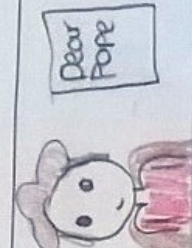
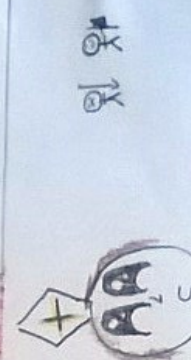

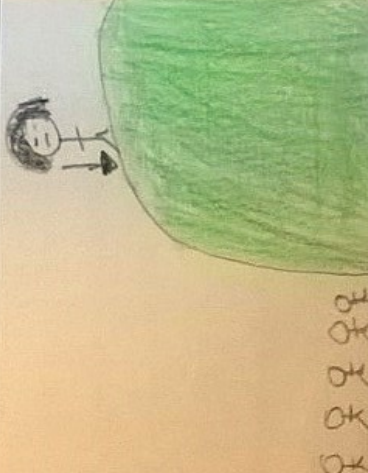
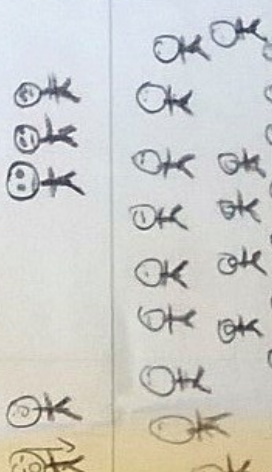
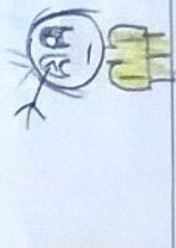
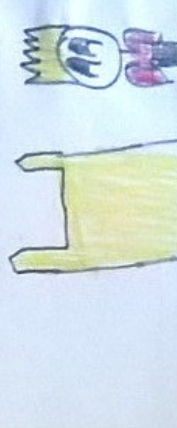
Who is who? Sadly at Kingswood I missed out on dressing up for the Cluedo mystery evening. This is mainly because the staff that accompanied me were so keen to dress up.

Have a good Weekend

Simon Billings





	 <p>When I die you shall be king</p>		 	<p>King Edward the confessor dies.</p>	<p>Duke William (cousin of Edward) was Promised the throne when Edward died.</p>	<p>The English didn't want a Norman ruling England so they elected Harold (Edward's brother in law) King.</p>	<p>William writes a letter to the Pope explaining his right to the throne. The Pope creates a banner and the Norman army was formed.</p>				 	<p>William lands in Hasting with his army.</p>	<p>The Saxons stood on top of the hill, throwing down their rocks and spears Preventing the Normans from progressing.</p>	<p>The Normans Pretended to run away and then turned round, circling the Saxons and killing them.</p>	<p>Harold dies by having an arrow shot through his right eye. William becomes king</p>
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