



# St John's Green Primary School.

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## Newsletter

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### Diary Dates

Monday 17th February—Friday 21st February—Half Term

Wednesday 5th March—5.30p.m.—7.30p.m.—Late Night Informal Parents Evening

WB—10/3/14—Book Week—includes Book Fair

Thursday 13th March 3.10p.m.—4.00p.m.—Open School

WB 17/3/14—Bake Off Week

Thursday 27th March—Whole School Open Morning 9.00a.m.—10.00a.m.

Friday 28th March—Non Uniform Day—Pinkie—Purple—£1

Monday 7th April—Tuesday 22nd April—Easter Break

Please remember that next week is Half Term. The second half of the Spring Term starts on Monday 24th February

### Year 5 to St Helena



Our Year 5 children went off to St Helena last Friday to sample some of the joys that secondary school life has to offer. During the day the children experienced being heart surgeons as they dissected a sheep's heart... Then

they were off to the gym to strengthen their muscles on the rowing machine or partake in a spot of trampolining. Finally, they designed, made and tested their own rockets. All in all a fantastic day—and valuable experience of what Year 7 has to offer.



### Governor Nominations

All parents at the school will have received a letter on Monday asking you to consider becoming a governor at our school. If you are interested or would like to know a bit more please speak to either Mrs. Bourne or myself or catch one of our parent governors, Mark Folkard or Vicky Hearn on the playground. Nominations have to be received by the school by Friday 28th February.

### Swimming Badges

Please remember that if you would like your child to have a swimming badge (KS2) then the last day for orders is Monday 24th February.

### Kingswood (Year 6 Residential)

Please remember that the next payment of £65 is now overdue.

After School Clubs will continue to run after half term and up to Easter. If you have any queries or questions relating to them please ask the School Office.

### Breakfast Club

Please could parents remember that if you are bringing children to Breakfast Club—then you **must pay** on the day and come in with them. Breakfast Club runs from 8.00a.m. in the Lower hall and costs only £1.50. for as much or as little toast, cereal, milk and fruit juice as the children would like.

### Awards

- Tigger Award (Trinovantes) - Ellie Giger
- Eeyore Award (Oysters) — Louie Elford
- Winnie the Pooh Award (Castle) - Grace Cooper
- Lion Award (Dutch) - Freddie Osborn-Hewes
- Sully Award (Mercury) - Leana Yasin
- Diddle Award (Claudius) - Fern Flemming
- Scrappy Award (Eagles) - Leon Chapman
- Bumble Award (Circus) - Liam Barton
- Stitch Award (Daffodils) - Megan Burrell-Poole
- Mickey Award (Roses) - Aran Mustafa & Niamh Collopy
- Simba Award — Class Dutch
- Spot Award — Jack Warburton
- Attendance Award - Circus



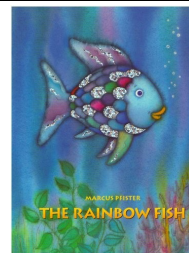
### Class Dutch Assembly

What a lot of parents we had to watch the Yr3 assembly

yesterday! A variety of songs, stories, dancing and craft activities were on show to the theme of Dragons and China. The children wowed everyone with their counting and conversations in Mandarin.

### Book Review by Mrs Bourne—The Rainbow Fish

This beautifully illustrated book by Marcus Pfister, tells the tale of a young fish who learns to make friends by sharing his most prized possessions. There is plenty of text to share and the story is a familiar theme of friendship and sharing. I think it is worth investing in the hardback version as this is a book you will want to read over and over again. Everyone should share their scales - just like The Rainbow Fish!



### Valentines Day Quote



All you need is love. But a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt.

Charles M Schulz



### Inappropriate Language

There have been one or two incidents lately of parents using inappropriate language (swearing) on the school site. As a school, we have an expectation of the children that they don't swear and if they do, then they are punished at school. I expect the same values that we embed with the children to hold true with parents. I would ask all parents to remember that, when on the school site, they should behave appropriately. Possible consequences of parents not taking this advice, will include the school notifying the police and being banned from the school site.

### Year 1 (Claudius) Sports Festival



Yesterday afternoon class Claudius

were invited to the Gymnastics Festival at St Helena school. Once there, they took part in a range of exciting activities to show off their gymnastic skills including balancing, jumping and floor work. They ended the afternoon by performing their rather brilliant gymnastic routine which they have been learning and practising this last half term. Really well done to class Claudius.



### Newsletter Competition

Each week in the newsletter we will give you a single word. The challenge is to use that word correctly in a sentence. Children should write down their sentence with the word correctly used. The prize each week will be a book. This weeks word is 'tenterhooks' which means in suspense.

And Finally...

Walking into Mr. Bates classroom the other morning, Mr. Bates was sitting at his desk holding his laptop on its side with a look of total perplexity on his face. Mr. Bates had inadvertently pressed a button or two and the whole display had re-orientated itself. To my eternal shame, rather than offering sympathetic clucking noises and dashing to his rescue—I laughed. I was truth be told, no help and suggested that Mr. Bates just sit at an angle...Fortunately Miss Knox was on hand to save the day.

Have a good Half Term

Simon Billings