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# St John's Green Primary School

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## Newsletter

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### Sports Day

In the end we couldn't have asked for a nicer day for our KS1 and KS2 Sports Day yesterday. My profound thanks to all the parents and relatives that came along to support and cheer on your children. Hopefully parents will have also noticed that due to the brilliance of our timings, there was still plenty of time to get home and watch England actually come from behind and win in a major tournament.

For the races at the end of sports day, individual certificates will be given out in school next week.

Our team winners were as follows.

KS1: 1st Colne 633, 2nd Temple 614, 3rd Siege 604, 4th Abbey 570, 5th Priory 561.

KS2: 1st Temple 803, 2nd Siege 767, 3rd Priory 759, 4th Colne 739, 5th Abbey 666.

A brilliant well done to all the children. There are some pictures of Sports Day on the school web-site.



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

Jane D. Hull

### Park Run

Please see page 2 of the newsletter for information about a new Junior Park Run which starts this Sunday at Old Heath Recreation Ground. Well worth going to, especially if you're looking at wearing your children out at the start of the day.

### Diary Dates

Wednesday 22nd June. 6.00p.m.—7.00p.m.  
Information meeting for Year 5/6 parents. Sex and Relationship Education. AF Site.

Thursday 23rd June. Year 3 Parents Meeting for Year 4 Residential—Danbury 2017.

Friday 24th June. PTA Summer Fair at AF. 5.00p.m.—7.00p.m.

Tuesday 5th July—Foundation Sports Day, at St John's Green AF. 10.00a.m.—12.00p.m.

Thursday 7th July. 5.00p.m.—7.00p.m.—Open Evening.

Tuesday 12th July Year 5/6 production 'Go for Gold.' 2.00p.m. Parents and Pre School Children

Tuesday 12th July and Wednesday 13th July @6.00p.m. Year 5/6 production, 'Go for Gold.' Parents and children of school age.

Thursday 21st July. Last day of Summer Term.

Monday 5th September. First day of Autumn Term.

### Year 1 Phonics Screening

Our Year 1 children have been having their Phonics Screening test this week, led by Mrs Smith. Year 1 children have been absolutely brilliant and their knowledge of their letters and sounds a credit to all the staff and you as parents for supporting them and practising with them at home. Thank you.

### Awards

Tigger Award (Trinovantes) - Kai Thompson

Eeyore Award (Oysters) — Samuel McLean

Winnie the Pooh Award (Castle) - Ella Lovelock

Rory the Lion Award (Dutch) - Sandra Wellahewage

Pluto Award (Iceni) - Ruby Williams

Sully Award (Mercury) - Joe Turner

Diddle Award (Claudius) - Aimee Cohen

Scrappy Award (Eagles) - William Gledhill-Wragg

Bumble Award (Circus) - Harrison Miller

Simba Award (Roses) - Sidney Cording

Stitch Award (Chariot) - Beau Brindley

Hathi Award (Star) - Samuel Hall

Mickey Award (Jumbo) - Harry Ledgerton

Heads' Award— Year 1

Attendance — Star

Spot—Jayden Martin



### Year 2 Trip to Highwoods Country Park

On Tuesday the children from Year 2 had an excellent trip to Highwoods Country Park. They spent the morning building dens from branches and leaves and then ate their lunch in their new abodes (just in time as there was a downpour of rain as they unwrapped their sandwiches). In the afternoon the children sketched the various plants around their camps and even managed to watch some cheeky squirrels raiding their lunch boxes for left overs! The behaviour of all children was impeccable and special thanks to Mrs Philpin and Mrs Burrell-Poole for their help (although they were apparently a little competitive when den building!)



Please see separate poster coming out today about our Summer fair which is next Friday, from 5.00p.m.—7.00p.m. at Abbey Field.

### Year 6 Carving

Our Year 6 children have been busy hot footing it between sites this week as they have been working on a new story telling chair for our Abbey Field Site. The new chair will sit in the hollow by the play equipment and this area will become a specific reading area. If any parents have any books that they think their children no longer need, or you're just planning a clear out, then book donations are always welcome. There is already an orange trolley at the Town Site and a new grey trolley for the Abbey Field Site will be out from Monday.

### Mrs O'Shea

We say goodbye to Mrs O'Shea today as she starts her maternity leave. We wish Mrs O'Shea and her husband the very best and will now have to wait expectantly for the baby which is due in about two weeks. Class Chariot will be covered by Mr Mackintosh from next week, who is the teacher that worked alongside Miss Pickard with the Year 6 for 12 weeks, so he knows our school and our children.



### Idiom Challenge

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

This weeks Idiom.

**DON'T LET THE CAT OUT OF THE BAG!**



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.

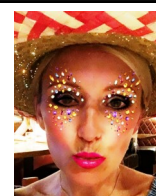
The winning entry each week from each phase will get to choose a free book or writing prize.

And Finally

It would appear that one member of our staff is reaching a landmark this weekend as she celebrates her 40th birthday. Somehow this photo of said member of staff has come into my possession—Guess who?

Have a good Weekend

Simon Billings



# junior parkrun



*Free, weekly, timed 2k parkrun for 4-14 year olds. They are open to all and safe to take part in. Every Sunday morning 9am (come at 0845 for the pre-run brief and warm up) Old Heath Recreation Ground, CO1 2ER*

*you will need to register, print your barcode and bring it with you!*

*To register go to [www.parkrun.org.uk/register/](http://www.parkrun.org.uk/register/)*

*Facebook: Colchester junior parkrun*

