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Newsletter

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Well Done

It is so good to see children arriving for school on time, meeting their friends in the playground and parents chatting to each other. This part of the day is crucial in forming relationships and setting up expectations for life around punctuality. Also, you get the chance to speak to school staff on the playground, passing on messages and key bits of news to help us all be better informed about your children.

Rich Learning Experiences

on Roald Dahl Day

This week, the children in year 3 got a nasty surprise when Grandma from 'George's Marvellous Medicine' made an appearance.

We interviewed Grandma on the effects the medicine had on her. We can't say it was a pleasant experience but we do hope seeing her in person will help us with our character descriptions!



Photographic Consent Reminder from Mr Billings

Towards the end of last term, I wrote out to all parents as because of the changes to the data laws, also lovingly known as 'General Data Protection Regulations' (GDPR), the school had to again seek consent for using photographs.

Parents will be very aware that we use children's photographs a lot in school, to celebrate their successes, in the newsletter, in their work, etc. However, to do this, the school does need your consent.

If you have not yet given your consent or can't remember whether you've given it or not, please could you sign and return the form available from the Office.

If you do not give your consent for us to take photographs of the children, then going forward we will not be able to use them in our publications such as newsletters, posters, the school website etc.

If in doubt—please just send the form in again.

Awards

Year 6 (Trinovantes) - Dylan Henson
Year 6 (Cymbeline) - Freddie Szaj
Year 5 (Oysters) - Emma Burrell-Poole
Year 5 (Magnets) - Joe Turner
Year 4 (Castle) - Madison Middleton
Year 4 (Cavalier) - Stanley Hudson
Year 4 (Garrison) - Verity Rowles
Year 3 (Dutch) - Samuel Hall
Year 3 (Iceni) - Madison Austin-Gooding
Year 3 (Paxman) - Dylan Merriion
Year 2 (Mercury) - Trae Daniels
Year 2 (Claudius) - Kezia Massey
Year 2 (Romans) - Freddie Pinner
Year 1 (Eagles) - Rosie Heaffey
Year 1 (Circus) - Sebastian Jablonski
Year 1 (Roses) - Stanley Taylor
Foundation (Chariot) - Jashua Warren
Foundation (Star) - Nayeli Da Silva Pires
Foundation (Jumbo) - Ollie Tilbury
Heads' Award - Foundation Classes

Quick Notices

- PE lessons have started this week, so please ensure that children have their kit in class during the week and earrings are removed at home that day
- Apologies that we have had some issues with our online payment system SIMS Agora since the start of term, hopefully this is all sorted now but do let the Office know if you experience further problems
- Year 3 Parents: Please fill in the Free School Meal application form if you are eligible to ensure your child receives a school dinner
- Year 6 Swimming—unfortunately the Garrison Pool are undertaking some work in Nov so the lesson for 23rd Nov is cancelled. We will make adjustments to online payments at the end of the term in case there are other changes.

Thank you.

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:

Try to make our school community a better place

The 'Right' we will be focusing on this Half Term is 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

Diary Dates

Sunday 23rd September—Friday 28th September. Year 6 at Kingswood.

Wednesday 3rd October. Individual Child Photographs at AF.

Thurs 4th October. Individual Child Photographs at T.

Thurs 11th Oct. PTA AGM at AF, 7-8pm

Monday 22nd—Friday 26th October. Half Term

Monday 29th October. Non Pupil day—The school is closed.

Thursday 20th December—Friday 4th January. Christmas Holiday. The school is closed.

PLEASE ALSO LOOK ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE CALENDAR FOR DATES/INFORMATION

PTA AGM

The Parent Teacher Association Annual General Meeting is on 11th Oct 7pm at Abbey Field site. The PTA have lots of ideas for fundraising and social activities for the year—please do join in and watch this space ...

Fun 4 Kids Half Term Holiday Club

After a successful Summer holiday club at St John's Green School, Fun4Kids are offering a holiday club during October half term. Open on Tuesday 23rd, Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th October 2018.

There will be Halloween themed art and craft activities to choose from plus lots of play opportunities and outside activities. All staff have childcare qualifications, hold first aid certificates and safeguarding training.

Costs are £15 per half day 7.30am-1pm (includes breakfast) and 1pm-6pm, £28 per full day. All sessions include a healthy snack.

Book and pay in full by 29th September to receive a special early bird rate of £13.50 per half day & £26 per full day.

You can now book directly on our website www.fun4kidscolchester.co.uk



Parking

Please, please be considerate in your parking around both school sites. Rushing to park is dangerous for the many pedestrians walking between our sites and those walking to work in the town centre. We also have neighbours to consider.



Important for Year 6 Parents

Applications for Secondary school admissions opened on 12th Sept. The closing date is 31st October. All applications must be made online, no reminders will be sent out by Essex County Council. The information booklet is at <https://goo.gl/Pw4rSg> and the application form at www.essex.gov.uk/admissions.

Clubs start next week. For Abbey Field site collect at the front. For Town site collect at the back of the school. Still some places available.

Vacancies

We have vacancies for both Mid Day Assistants and Breakfast Club staff at the school.

MDA. Monday - Friday - 1 hour 15 minutes per day - £8.62 per hour.

Breakfast Club. Monday - Friday. 7:45 - 9:00. 1.15 hours per day £8.62 per hour.

Staff members can use the Breakfast Club for their children free of charge.

If you are interested in either position please contact either school office for an application form.

And Finally,

On Tuesday children were wearing their lovely new uniforms and the weather was cold, on Wednesday most children had coats on and the weather was warm. This is called the great British autumn weather—so raincoats for this time of year are highly desirable, it can be a bit fresh out on our playgrounds and we do go out in all weathers. (Teachers also got caught out, so let's try to have the right clothing for the right weather next week!)

Have a good Weekend

Tina Bourne




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Date: June 2018

Dear Parents,

You will be aware that we often take photographs of pupils. We may use these photos in for example, the school's Newsletters, Prospectus, on the school's Website, on our Twitter Account, to local media. **These are photographs that may be used externally.**

We will use photographs in for example, our reporting processes (EYFS Reports, Earwig), on display boards, in celebration (Birthday Tables, Wanted Posters) around the school. **These are photographs that are used internally.**

We need your consent to take photos of your child, and use them in the ways described above. If you're not happy for us to do this, that's no problem.

Please tick the relevant box(es) below and return this form to school as soon as possible

I am happy for the school to take photographs of my child that could be used externally

☐

I am happy for the school to take photographs of my child that will be used internally

☐

I am NOT happy for the school to take or use photos of my child

☐

If you change your mind at any time, you can let us know by emailing admin@st-johnsgreen.essex.sch.uk, calling the school on 01206 762884, or just popping in to the school office.

If you have any other questions, please get in touch.

Why are we asking for your consent again?

You may be aware that there are new data protection rules coming in from May. To ensure we are meeting the new requirements, we need to re-seek your consent to take and use photos of your child. We really value using photos of pupils, to be able to showcase what pupils do in school and show what life at our school is like to others, so we would appreciate you taking the time to give consent again.

Child's Name: _____

Parent Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____

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