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# St John's Green Primary School

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We ♥  
Maths

We are all  
writers ...



## Newsletter

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### Year 5 St Helena Sports Festival

Our Year 5 children certainly got their steps in on Tuesday as they started the day with a gentle walk to Leisure World for swimming and followed this up with a stroll to St Helena for the Year 5 Sports festival. There was some disagreement with the steps walked when the fit bits were cross referenced, but apparently it was about 13,000 steps.

The children were brilliant at the sports festival and competed against other feeder schools in team competitions.

Our highlights were: Magnets/New Zealand - 3rd place in Netball

Magnets - 2nd place in Rounders

Oysters/Canada - 1st place in Rounders (1/2 rounder more!)

Really well done to all the children, a fantastic effort—hopefully you all slept well Tuesday night.



### Eid al-Fitr

Today is Eid al-Fitr.

Eid al-Fitr is the religious holiday which marks the end of Ramadan and a month of fasting for Muslims.

The holiday celebrates the conclusion of the 29 or 30 days of dawn-to-sunset fasting during the entire month of Ramadan.

Eid Mubarak is a greeting and phrase used by Muslims during Eid and means 'blessed Eid'.

Eid al-Fitr is held at the start of the following month, which is called Shawwal and translates to mean the 'festival of breaking the fast'.

We have had several of our older children fast for part of the month of Ramadan and they have been well supported by their friends at school.



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:** Understand and respect the changes I see in myself.

**The 'Right' we will be focusing on this Half Term is Article 27:**

You have the right to food, clothing, a safe place to live and have your basic needs met. You should not be disadvantaged so that you can't do many of the other things other children can do.

### Nuts etc

Just a reminder please to all parents that we do have several children in the school who are quite severely allergic to nuts and nut based products. Please could parents not send children into school with any nut based snacks or with peanut butter/nutella in sandwiches. Many thanks.

### Awards

Year 6 (Trinovantes) - Stanley Hobbs

Year 5 (Oysters) - Miarah Valencia

Year 5 (Magnets) - Maisie Hainsworth

Year 4 (Castle) - Finnley Carroll

Year 4 (Cavalier) - Millie Self

Year 3 (Dutch) - Isabelle Harsini

Year 3 (Iceni) - Corey Allder

Year 3 (Paxman) - Aws Al-Khalidi

Year 2 (Mercury) - Annie Ain

Year 2 (Claudius) - Beanie Uren

Year 2 (Romans) - Harrison Elliott

Year 1 (Eagles) - Tyler Hayward

Year 1 (Circus) - Honey Blodau

Year 1 (Roses) - Kezia Massey

Foundation (Chariot) - Bentley Massey

Foundation (Star) - Florence Butler

Foundation (Jumbo) - Christopher Kadri

Heads' Award - Year 1

Attendance - Iceni & Eagles

### Phonic Screening

Really well done to our Year 1 children who have been sitting their phonic screening check this week with their class teachers.

There were 40 words altogether, both real and alien that they had to read.

Their results will come out with their final reports, but below are a few examples of the 'alien' words that children needed to sound out and read as part of the check.

spue

scrug

braits

Please don't forget our Summer Fair is now only two weeks away and next Friday there is a non-uniform day in support of it.

### No Mow

Parents will, I hope, have noticed that we have replaced the grass area at our Town Site with artificial grass. This has made a huge impact on the outside space we have available for our children and quite frankly, looks fantastic.



THE READING AGENCY AND LIBRARIES PRESENT



14 July - 1 September in all Essex Libraries

There's mischief occurring in Essex Libraries this summer!

The Summer Reading Challenge 2018, which is produced by The Reading Agency and delivered by libraries, is Mischief Makers. Children are being asked to read books and, with the help of Dennis, Gnasher and other classic Beano characters, find the treasure in Beanotown.

By reading or sharing books children will earn stickers (including some special smelly stickers) and if they complete the challenge they will receive a certificate and a medal.

Children aged 10 and over can take part in the ImagineNation 2018 challenge where they can create artworks or write reviews inspired by the books they have read.

For more information go to [libraries.essex.gov.uk](http://libraries.essex.gov.uk)

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE



### Diary Dates

WB18/6/18—Computing Week

Monday 18th June a.m.—EYFS and Year 1 Sports Day at AF followed by picnic lunch.

Thursday 21st June. Year 4/5/6 Sports Day a.m., Year 2/3 Sports Day p.m.—Garrison Track. Picnic Lunch.

Friday 22nd June. Non Uniform Day for Summer Fair. Please see Page 2

Monday 25th June—Team Abbey Only—Non Uniform Day.

Friday 29th June @ 5.00p.m.—PTA Summer Fair.

Thursday 5th June. 5.30p.m.—7.30p.m. 'Children's Open Evening. AF & T.

Saturday 7th July @ 9.00a.m. PTA Car Boot Sale at AF.

Tuesday 10th July—Year 5/6 Production, 'An Inspector Calls.' 9.30 a.m. (Pre School Children allowed).

6.30p.m. (NO Pre School Children)

Thursday 12th July—Year 5/6 Production, 'An Inspector Calls.' 6.30p.m. (NO Pre School Children)

Tuesday 17th July—EYFS—Fantasy World Dress Up Day

Thursday 19th July @ 9.30a.m. Year 6 Leavers Assembly.

Thursday 19th July. Last day of Summer Term.

PLEASE ALSO LOOK ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE CALENDAR

### Newsletter (Mr Men/Little Miss) Challenge

A new challenge for the Summer Term.

Each week we will pop in the newsletter a Mr Men/Little Miss character. **Children need to either draw their own picture of that character or write a sentence related to that character. They are of course welcome to do both!**

For example. If the picture was Mr Bump. The sentence could be 'Mr Bump was wandering along the edge of the river, when he foolishly tripped over a daisy and went head first into the water.'

Obviously the more descriptive the sentence, the better and certainly older children, complex sentences!

MR. CHATTERBOX



As always, answers to the folder on Miss Salmon's door if you're at AF and to Mrs O'Shea's door if you're at T.

You can also e-mail your sentences via e-schools or to [admin@st-johnsgreen.essex.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-johnsgreen.essex.sch.uk). Please make sure name and year group are on entries.

And Finally,

Next week my wife is off on a residential with her Year 6 class. This means that for three days I am given full responsibility to: get the children up, get them breakfast, do hair (I can only do a ponytail), make packed lunches, get them to wherever they need to be before school, pick them up from wherever they've been after school, get them dinner, listen to them read, practise spellings, get them washed and in bed and do bedtime stories. I would like to say easy—but I'll probably be a nervous wreck. Mind you, when I say in charge, what I actually mean is following the very specific and detailed instructions that I have been given. I am not proud and I know my place in the hierarchy at home and it is pretty much at the bottom after the plants and cats!

Have a good Weekend

Simon Billings







# NON- UNIFORM DAY FRIDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> JUNE



For the privilege of wearing non-uniform, please make a donation to the Summer Fair (which takes place on Friday 29th June 5.00 – 7.00 p.m.)

Instead of sending in money, could parents please send their children in to school with an item suitable for the Fair (e.g. items for the childrens' tombola stall or lucky dip (small toys/games, small packets of sweets (not chocolate), stationery, notebooks etc) or items for the gift tombola. We also need items for our refreshment stall (e.g. canned drinks, packets of biscuits, crisps etc). We **do not** need tinned/packeted items for a food tombola.

We urgently need brand new items suitable for our main raffle. Any glass items please hand directly to the school office.

Many thanks for your continued support !!!



## SATURDAY 7TH JULY, ABBEYFIELD SITE

SELLERS FROM 8AM.  
GATES OPEN FOR BUYERS  
FROM 9AM - 11AM

GET IN EARLY AND GRAB A BARGAIN!!  
REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE

GOT THINGS TO SELL?  
STALL HOLDERS WANTED!

PRE-BOOK BY 2ND JULY  
COST PER PITCH £7  
NO VANS



PLEASE RETURN TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE IN SEALED ENVELOPE WITH £7 FEE ATTACHED

NAME: .....

CONTACT NUMBER: .....

☐ TICK BOX TO CONFIRM £7 PAID | WE WILL BE IN CONTACT TO ORGANISE YOUR PITCH