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our learning

# St John's Green Primary School

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We ♥  
Maths

We are all  
writers ...



## Newsletter

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### Roman River Music

On Saturday, some children from year 3 attended a concert organised by the Roman River festival to commemorate the 100th year anniversary of the armistice. The children attended some rehearsals before standing on stage with other local schools and performing the piece of music they had composed themselves. They also enjoyed the wide range of other music performed by local choirs and the military band. Their performance was faultless and their behaviour exemplary, they certainly did the school and themselves proud. My thanks to Mrs Rowe for all the effort and time she put in to make this happen ably supported and abetted by Mrs Chapman.



### Individual Photographs

We had a few teething problems with our individual photographs on Wednesday but by Thursday, we were all over it. Many thanks for everyone's patience on Wednesday morning, whilst you were queuing for family group shots.

On Monday morning 'Happy Days Photography' will be back in to take the year 5 individual photographs.

There will also be an opportunity for family/sibling photographs at 8.00a.m. on Monday morning if you missed the boat on Wednesday or Thursday.

On Tuesday 9th, all photographs will be uploaded and ready to order using the website/access code on the slip of paper your child has brought home.

We think you'll be delighted with the photographs as you'll not only have the choice of more than one shot, but also black and white versions.



Photographs will be uploaded and ready to order on Tuesday 9th October

Any queries regarding photographs please e-mail directly to [info@happydaysphoto.co.uk](mailto:info@happydaysphoto.co.uk)

and these will be dealt with directly by our photographer within 24 hours.

Please quote your child's class and name on any query.

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:

#### Work Well with Others

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 you stay well.

### PTA AGM

The Parent Teacher Association Annual General Meeting is on Thursday 11th Oct 7pm at Abbey Field site. The PTA have lots of ideas for fundraising and social activities for the year. If anyone is interested in taking over the role of Chair/Vice Chair/Secretary/Treasurer they need to make themselves known at either Town Site or Abbey Field Site Office and then a nomination form can be given to them. please do join in and watch this space ...!

### McMillan PTA Coffee Morning



Many thanks to everyone who came along and supported last week. The total raised was £144.94

Books are the bees which carry the pollen of thought from one mind to another.

James Russell Lowell (Poet.)

### Sponsored Walk

Our sponsored walk is fast approaching and will be on Friday 19th October at our AF site.

As this is all done within the school grounds, there is very little parents have to worry about apart from

- Making sure that your child has their PE kit in school this day.

- Getting as many sponsors as possible

All the money raised is used by the PTA to fund activities and resources for the children in the school. Sponsor forms will be coming out on Monday.

### Year 4 Residential—Danbury 2019

Many thanks to everyone in year 4 who has paid their Danbury Deposit for next Summer. 81 children are going so far, so if you're one of the 9 currently undecided maybe one of the 81 can persuade you to speak to the school office. I promise you, you'll have an excellent time.

### Newsletter Challenge—Learning Dispositions

To ensure we do our best learning it's really important that we all (children and adults) do our best to become effective learners.

We have talked and shared with you our Learning Dispositions and these have become a focal point in our teaching at school.

**Motivation** - be keen to succeed; try your best

**Reflection** - learn from experience; build on your learning

**Collaboration** - work well together; support each other

**Make Links** - make connections across all areas of your learning

**Resilience** - keep going even when it's hard; never give up

Our newsletter challenge for the next five weeks will focus on one Learning Disposition each week—This week

### Reflecting Roxy

The challenge is very simple. Send to the school via [admin@st-johnsgreen.essex.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-johnsgreen.essex.sch.uk) or print off the picture yourself and pop it in the folder outside Miss Gamman's door at AF and Mrs O'Shea's door at T, a picture of your child/ren demonstrating the Learning Disposition Resilience.

As always the winning entry from each phase will be chosen and that child will then be able to choose a free book.

### Awards

- Year 6 (Trinovantes) - Whole Class
- Year 6 (Cymberline) - Whole Class
- Year 5 (Oysters) — Heidi De La Cruz
- Year 5 (Magnets) - Mohammad Amir
- Year 4 (Castle) - Sidney Cording
- Year 4 (Cavalier) - Daniel Caniparu
- Year 4 (Garrison) - William Gledhill-Wragg
- Year 3 (Dutch) - Emily Warren
- Year 3 (Iceni) - Daisy Laverick
- Year 3 (Paxman) - Kiara He
- Year 2 (Mercury) - Yusuf Ahmad
- Year 2 (Claudius) - Bella Weir
- Year 2 (Romans) - Bae Morgan
- Year 1 (Eagles) - Betley Mason
- Year 1 (Circus) - Ned Alderton
- Year 1 (Roses) - Matilda St-Ledger
- Foundation (Chariot) - Kiara Koczian
- Foundation (Star) - Maynee Savage
- Foundation (Jumbo) - Charlotte Scaife
- Heads' Award — All Roman River Children—Brilliant
- Attendance — Chariot/Dutch/Iceni

And Finally,

All a bit embarrassing really, but I have been reminded this week, several times by some of the Year 6 children, that their favourite memory of the Year 6 Kingswood residential, was me falling asleep during caving. In my defence, we were in the ante room and not in the actual caves and there was a long pre-amble about the 'Post Box' that we were sitting in, that was the start of the caves. I had got myself comfortable, stretched out, it was quite warm and I had heard it before. Obviously I had closed my eyes only to think about what it must have been like to have been in a Post Box in WWII. Sadly the next thing that happened was the lead instructor aiming a pine cone at my head to raise me from my slumber. I must learn not to snore! Even worse, was that I almost fell asleep again when I went with the second group.

Have a good weekend

Simon Billings