



# St John's Green Primary School.

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## Newsletter

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Thursday 3rd July—Foundation children to Walton

Wednesday 9th July—Year 2/3/4 to Highwoods Country Park

Wednesday 9th July 1.30p.m. and 6.00p.m.  
Year 5/6 production—'Go for Goal'

Thursday 10th July 6.00p.m.—Year 5/6 Production—'Go for Goal'

Friday 11th July—Year 6—Bowling

Monday 14th July— 5.00p.m. Year 6 leavers  
BBQ/Cricket Match

Tuesday 15th July—Year 6—walk to Highwoods Country Park

Wednesday 16th July—5.00p.m.—7.30p.m.—Open Evening

Friday 18th July—9.30a.m.—Year 6 Leavers Assembly.

Friday 18th July—last day of Summer Term

Monday 8th September—Start of Autumn Term

### New School Expansion

You will, I'm sure, have noticed that the scaffolding on the new school is now almost down and works internally are cracking on as they get ready for an August completion.

**Please remember that the new term starts on Monday 8th September for all children.**

The school governors have agreed the following:

The new site (Abbeyfields) is for children in Foundation, Year 1, 5 & 6. The start time for Abbey Fields is 8.45a.m. and the school day finishes at 3.00p.m. The St John's Green site (town) is for children in Years 2, 3 & 4. The start time for town is 9.00a.m. and the school day will finish at 3.15p.m. A walking bus will operate from Abbeyfields to Town and will leave Abbeyfields at 8.45a.m. each morning.

Breakfast club will run from 07.45a.m. each morning at Abbeyfields from September. There is no need to book in advance—but please note the cost for this will now be £2.00 payable either in advance or on the day. Any children from Year 2, 3 & 4 will be walked down with the walking bus.

School dinners will be cooked and served on both sites from September—this is to ensure that we can maintain the high quality of dinners for your children.

I will keep updating parents as we head towards the end of this term—but if you do have any queries or questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

### Sponsored Walk

Thank you to everyone who has handed their sponsor money in for the sponsored walk. So far you have raised £1329.96. If you do still have some sponsor money lurking around anywhere, please hand it in to the school office as soon as possible.

### Year 5/6 visit to Colchester Zoo

As part of their work on 'Brazil' this assessment period, children from Year 5/6 went to Colchester Zoo to learn about and look at animals from the Amazon. This also included a presentation about Amazonian animals—where they learnt about the four layers of the rainforest, how sloths spend all their lives upside down and only come down twice a week to pop to the loo and they also learnt about the effects of deforestation.

### Year 1 Trip to Walton on the Naze

Our Year 1 children headed off to Walton on the Naze by train on Tuesday to take part in a host of water related activities linked to the sea. Whilst on the beach, the children scavenged for shells and built sand castles. The highlight of the day was undoubtedly the



padding and splashing—although Miss Salmon does seem to be attempting to start a teacher 'selfie' competition.



### Awards

Tigger Award (Trinovantes) - Elanor Plant  
Eeyore Award (Oysters) - Edern Marsh  
Winnie the Pooh Award (Castle) - Eve O'Shea-Warner  
Lion Award (Dutch) - Darrell Garnham  
Sully Award (Mercury) - Whole Class  
Diddle Award (Claudius) - Zara Gibson  
Scrappy Award (Eagles) - Isaac Peek  
Bumble Award (Circus) - Meana Yasin  
Stitch Award (Daffodils) - Scarlett Hosier & Lexie Noone  
Mickey Award (Roses) - Arun Mustafa  
Simba Award - Eagles  
Spot Award - Dutch  
Attendance Award— Claudius

### Foundation Trip to Highwoods Country Park

As part of their 'water' based theme, our Foundation children headed



off to Highwoods Country Park yesterday. High on the agenda was a spot of pond dipping as the children sought to catch a host of aquatic bugs. In addition, the children also had a nature scavenger hunt, rubbed some bark and played in the adventure park. A brilliant day.



### Kingswood

Please remember that if you have not paid the last instalment of £65 this is now very overdue. The FINAL PAYMENT of £60 is now very overdue.

Thank you to all our parent support readers who have been coming diligently into schools this last term to support children in their reading.

### Maths Challenge

From last week

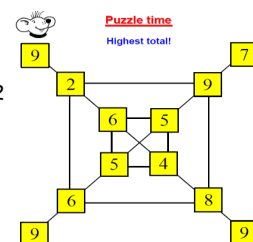
$$82 \times 64 = 5248$$

or by just tapping the numbers 8642 into the calculator

Or

$$8642 \times \text{on the calculator} = 74,684,164$$

### This week's challenge



Start anywhere and collect five numbers by following the paths - no jumping or going back over a path twice!  
What is the highest total you can make?

And Finally...

A double entry for Mrs. Parker-Nicholls this week who did not cover herself in glory on the trip to Highwoods Country Park. Of the 60 children who pond dipped—not a single one dropped their net into the water, having listened to the instructions not to lean over too far, and to hold on to the net tightly. The one person that dropped their net—Mrs. Parker-Nicholls. To compound her day—when climbing with the children on the apparatus—Mrs. Parker-Nicholls somehow managed to get herself stuck rather high on the play equipment and had to be rescued by a Foundation child.

Have a good weekend

Simon Billings