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St John's Green Primary School

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Newsletter

We ♥
Maths

We are all
writers ...

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Please remember that tomorrow, Friday 22nd January is a non pupil day and the school is closed.

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

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Diary Dates

Friday 22nd January 2016. Non Pupil Day, The School is closed.

Friday 29th January. Non Uniform Day, Purple Pinkie. £1. (Be as purple/pink as you can in support of the Rotary Club and End Polio Now campaign)

Wednesday 3rd February. 3.30p.m.—4.15p.m. Open School.

Week Beginning Monday 1st February. Writing Themed Week.

Friday 5th February—closing date for entries for School Logo competition.

Week Beginning Monday 8th February, Inter House Team, Sports Competition Week.

Monday 15th—Friday 19th February. Half Term.

Monday 1st to Wednesday 3rd March. Life Bus at Abbey Field.

Week Beginning Monday 7th March. Book Week. Including Theme day on Friday 11th March. (More details to follow)

Tuesday 8th March. Assessment Period 2 Reports to Parents.

Wednesday 9th March. 5.00p.m.—7.30p.m. Parents Evening.

Monday 21st March. 2.00p.m. Year 3/4 Production 'Yee Ha.'

Tuesday 22nd & Wednesday 23rd March. 6.00p.m. Year 3/4 Production 'Yee Ha.'

Open Morning

Thank you very much to all those parents who were able to come in and work with both their children, and other children, during our Open Morning on Monday. It is always fantastic to have parents in school, working alongside the children and learning with them.



Freda Gunton Lodge

Di Bignall from the Friends & Neighbours Essex Network visited Town site today to present special awards to 8 children in Year 4. The children have been involved in a volunteering project, bringing joy and company to the lives of very elderly residents in Freda Gunton Lodge residential home. The lovely certificates, badges and pens recognise the commitment the children have shown to this Essex wide project.



Practice Leads to Success

We have seen a marked increase in the last few weeks of children performing significantly better in their spellings and x tables. My thanks to the parents who have been practicing with their children each day. This is making a difference, so please keep it up. We all want our children to have the best life chances possible and hopefully learn from the mistakes that we made when we were young. The more time we invest in them, the better those life chances are and the more success they are likely to have.

Non Uniform Day—Friday 29th January

Please remember that next Friday, for cost of £1, we are holding our pink/purple Non Uniform in support of End Polio Now. Children and staff can be as pink/purple as they like for £1.

Awards

Tigger Award (Trinovantes) - Ella Horgan

Eyore Award (Oysters) — Wyatt Swain

Winnie the Pooh Award (Castle) - Alfie Sayers

Rory the Lion Award (Dutch) - Mya Tyler-Lovett

Pluto Award (Iceni) - Liam Barton

Sully Award (Mercury) - Ruby Cornell

Diddle Award (Claudius) - Morgan McGivney

Scrappy Award (Eagles) - Olivia Dempsey

Bumble Award (Circus) - Nathan Ivanauskas

Simba Award (Roses) - Robbie Short

Stitch Award (Chariot) - Jack Ledgerton

Hathi Award (Star) - Maisie Forsyth

Mickey Award (Jumbo) - Jay Chappell

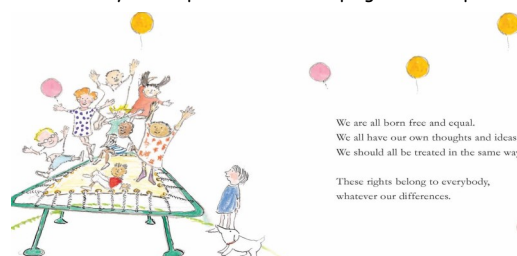
Heads' Award — Dutch

Spot—Riley Thompson

School Council

Rights Respecting School award

The School Council have collectively decided to work towards achieving the Unicef 'Rights Respecting School Award'. To enable us to attain this award, we will need to meet certain criteria, whilst continuing to put the children's rights at the heart of everything we do. This award is based on principles of equality, respect and participation, which links explicitly to our schools' core values and PSHE lessons. We are confident that our journey towards this status will have a positive impact on the children's relationships and well-being, ultimately leading to improved engagement within the children's learning. We have made our initial application and we are currently in the process of developing an action plan.



Maths Challenge

This weeks challenge.

Last weeks answer—the balloon that was left was the number 26.

The Climbing Cat!

A cat is at the bottom of a 20ft well. (Panic not he has plenty of food, water, toy mouse and the litter tray)

Each day he climbs up 5 ft
And each night he slides down 4ft

How many days will it take him to reach the top of the well?



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 maths prize.

And Finally ...

Miss Kempen fulfils a number of different roles in the school and does so brilliantly. Not quite so brilliant, is her ability to remember where she puts things. For the best part of a week, she has been complaining that she put her boots down and simply can't find them—someone must have moved them! Fortunately she located her boots this week, in her locker where she'd left them.

Have a good weekend

Simon Billings

Term Dates 2016/2017

Autumn Term 2016

Monday 5th September - Wednesday 21st December 2016

Half Term Break - Monday 24th October - Friday 28th October 2016

Spring Term 2017

Monday 9th January - Friday 31st March 2017

Half Term Break - Monday 13th February - Friday 17th February 2017

Summer Term 2017

Tuesday 18th April- Thursday 20th July 2017

Half Term Break - Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June 2017

May Day Bank Holiday - Monday 1st May 2017

KS2 SATS test dates for Year 6 2017 will be advised in due course

Non Pupil Days - Thursday 1st September 2016, Friday 2nd September 2016, Thursday 5th January 2017, Friday 6th January 2017, Friday 21st July 2017.

Please note that in line with the school policy, no leave of absence requests will be authorised for school time during September and SATS week. Please note leave for exceptional circumstances will only be considered if your child has 97% attendance in the preceding 14 weeks. Application forms for Leave of Absence are available in both school offices.

