

St John's Newsletter

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Executive Headteacher's Message



It's been great getting to know your children over the past week and a half. They are so friendly and full of positive energy. It has been a pleasure speaking with them. I look forward to getting to know everyone better over the coming months and years.

Following the school's recent Ofsted inspection where a 'Good' grading was achieved in all areas, we are now looking to build on this strong foundation so that the school becomes the stand out one in the area. To do this, we need to hear from you so we know what's working and what we can do even better. If you could fill this short survey in, I would be very grateful:

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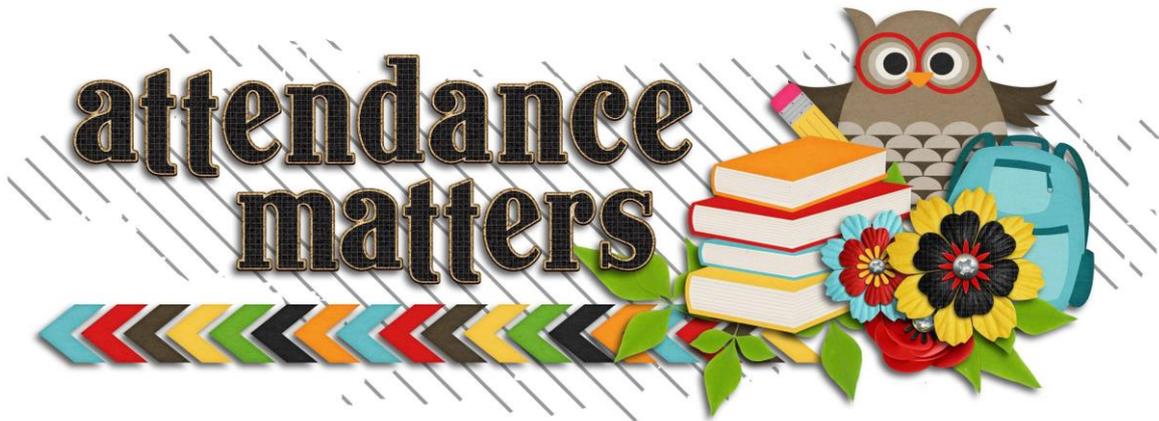
This will be the new format for the newsletter and it will go out on the last Friday of each month. As the children are returning after the summer holidays, there will be two newsletters this month, of which this is the first.

There will always be a senior leader out on the gate so if we can help or if you would like to share your views (good or bad) then please come and speak to us.

I look forward to working with you all,

Mr Seex

Attendance



Attendance is a national priority. It really makes a difference to children's happiness, attainment and their wellbeing. Although staff will always try to support a child when they return from absence, missing sessions consistently can make it difficult for them to keep up as they miss key learning points. Although sickness can be unavoidable, it is important that children are in school when they feel well enough so that they can make the most of their school experience.

At St John's, we aim for 96% attendance.

Lateness can affect children in a similar way. Consistent lateness means they miss the important first sessions. As soon as children come into school, they will do a task to support them with their learning. Being on-time also gives children the opportunity to transition into the day with their classmates and move into the routine of school; if they arrive late, they may miss this, which will make it harder for them to 'hit the ground running' in lessons.

We thank you for your ongoing support with this.

Welcome to New Staff

Welcome to the new staff that have joined our St John's family: Miss Finney, our new year 4 teacher, and Miss Harrison, who will be working as a 1:1 TA in Reception, and Mr Vaughan, our new site supervisor and lunchtime supervisor.

Mrs Tolley will now be the senior office administrator.

Welcome back to Mr Carlile, who is returning as Head of School following his secondment supporting one of our trust schools. He will bring back his learning from this to support us in our journey to become even better.

School Dinners

As communicated in summer, school dinners will now be charged at £2.50 per meal. This should be paid through School Gateway and goes directly to our catering supplier.

All Key Stage One children are entitled to Universal Free School Meals, which means they can order their meals through the Gateway without any charge.

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