

St John's Community Primary School and Nursery



Weekly Newsletter 15th September 2023

Dear parents,

Welcome back and I hope you all enjoyed a relaxing summer holiday and made the most of the slightly wet weather! I am delighted to share that the first few days back in school have been excellent- the children have settled very quickly and are already following the routines well. Our new Reception children have been incredible and have bounced into school very quickly full of confidence and excitement!

We have some new teachers this year and I would like to welcome: Mr Copping (who many of you know) in Year 5, Mrs Farmer in Year 2 and Mrs Purdy who is working in Year 4. I'm also delighted to welcome back Mrs Meale who has joined us as a teaching assistant in Year 1 along with Mrs Worboys and Mrs Norton in Year 3 on a Friday. Please do look at the class pages of the website for all information about staff and who's working where!

We are already arranging things for the children and you will have seen Panto information sent home this week. We have decided to hold our annual Panto trip again this school year and will be taking Reception to Year 6 on the 5th January 2024.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend
Rebecca Quinn

Dates for your Diary

September

18th—Year 6 Crucial Crew

18th—2pm SRE Information Session for Parents

October

10th—School Photos - Individuals

17th—St John's Challenge

18th— from 3.30pm—5.00pm
Family Group Photos

23rd—27th—Half Term

November

7th—Parents Evening

9th—Parents Evening

10th—Flu Vaccinations (Rec—Year 6)

December

12th /13th—EYFS & KS1 Production

14th—N & R Christmas Party

15th—1 & 2 Christmas Party

18th—3 & 4 Christmas Party

19th—Year 5 & 6 Christmas Party

17th—Christmas Jumper Day

17th—Last day of Term

January

4th—Children return to school

5th—Rec—Year 6 Pantomime at the Theatre Royal, Norwich

February

5th—8th—Year 5 Bikeability

19th—23rd—Half Term

27th—Rec-Year 6 Class Group Photos

March

27th—Last day of Term

PE Days
 * When it is your child's PE day in school they should come into school in full PE kit. They do not need to bring a change of clothes but will go home in PE kit also. This will make it easier in the cloakroom spaces and also will save time changing in school. Children will need to wear outdoor PE kit including a warm jumper and trainers.
 * Reception -Thursday
 * Year 1—Wednesday
 * Year 2—Wednesday
 * Year 3—Monday and Thursday
 * Year 4—Tuesday
 * Year 5—Monday (Swimming) and Friday
 * Year 6—Monday and Friday
Please ensure your child is able to remove their own earrings or not wear them to school on PE days.

Swimming

Year 5 will be swimming every week on **Monday**. Please ensure your child has their swimming kit, including a hat, a towel and a suitable coat to walk to and from Broadland High School for these sessions.



Please ensure your child is able to remove their own earrings or not wear them to school on Swimming days.



Forest Schools—Rota

- Alternate Tuesdays - Year 1 - Starting 12th September
- Alternate Tuesdays - Year 2 - Starting 19th September
- Wednesdays - Nursery and Reception Class every week
- Thursdays - (3 weeks 21st September - 5th October) - Year 3
- Thursdays - (3 weeks 12th October - 2nd November) - Year 4
- Thursdays (3 weeks 9th November - 23rd November) - Year 5
- Thursdays (2 weeks 30th November - 7th December) - Year 6 (Year 6 will get the first session in January 2024)

Please send your child to school in old clothes (long sleeves & long trousers) on Forest School days. Can they also bring waterproofs including coat, hat, gloves (if weather is cold) and wellies in school for these sessions.

There will be no Forest School from 12th December to allow for Christmas parties and EYFS/KS1 production



NO PARKING

Just a polite reminder that there is no parking permitted on the school site at any time unless permission has been granted by the Headteacher. This includes after school when collecting from clubs. On certain nights there are several children attending clubs and it is very dangerous when cars park on site for collection. The gate may not be closed but parking is not permitted!



Thank you for your understanding and support in keeping children safe on the school site.

Absences

First and Second Day

- Parents are expected to inform the school by phoning 01603 782520 to leave a message on the Pupil Absence line by 9.00am

Third and Subsequent Days Absence

- Appropriate follow up phone call to update, you may be asked to provide a Doctors note

Unexplained and Holiday Absence

- Any pupil who is absent without an explanation or takes term time holiday for 9 consecutive sessions will be referred to the Local Authority for action to be considered, This could result in a fixed penalty notice.

House Points

Date	Bader	Cavell	Nelson	Sewell
08.09.23	49	58	47	30
15.09.23	160	137	174	130

Class Attendance

6th–15th September

Reception	97.24%
Year 1	98.34%
Year 2	98.17%
Year 3	97.86%
Year 4	97.71%
Year 5	96.57%
Year 6	98.49%