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St John's Community Primary School and Nursery



Weekly Newsletter 12th January 2024

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year and welcome back, although Christmas seems a long time ago now! In a recent staff meeting it was agreed by the team that we would share a more detailed focus on each class each week- this week is Nursery Class focus- please find details of their work on the last page of this newsletter.

We have been working very hard in school on developing further children's writing. You can help at home by supporting your child to write frequently supporting them with a good pencil grip and comfortable position when working so they can form letters correctly. We have been working on handwriting and children are encouraged to join letters as they progress through the school. Please take time to talk to your child and see what they are doing to improve their writing in school.

As always reading to and with your child is the most valuable gift. Please take time to share favourite stories, read school reading books, look at books together talking about language that is new or different and get lost in story time together.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend

Mrs Quinn

Dates for your Diary

February

5th—8th—Year 5 Bikeability

19th—23rd—Half Term

27th—Rec-Year 6 Class Group Photos

28th—Year 4 Residential to Horstead Centre

March

27th—Last day of Term

April

15th—Children return to school

May

6th—Bank Holiday

13th—SATs Week

13th—12.30pm -Nursery Group Photo

27th—31st Half Term

June

3rd—Children return to school

4th & 6th—Parents Evening

17th-21st —Year 6 Residential to Hautbois Activity Centre

25th—Sports Day

July

3rd & 4th—Year 6 Broadland High Induction Days

10th & 11th—Year 6 Production

16th—School Fete

19th—Last day of Term

Swimming

Year 4 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.

House Points

Date	Bader	Cavell	Nelson	Sewell
12.01.24	158	163	205	123

Class Attendance

04th—12th January 2024

Reception	92.09%
Year 1	90.43%
Year 2	97.95%
Year 3	92.35%
Year 4	96.17%
Year 5	91.82%
Year 6	96.41%

Forest Schools—Rota Spring Term 2024

Alternate Tuesdays - Year 2 - Starting 9th January 2024

Alternate Tuesdays - Year 1 - Starting 16th January

Wednesdays - Nursery and Reception Class every week

Thursdays - (2 weeks 11th January & 18th January) - Year 6

Thursdays - (3 weeks 25th January - 8th February) - Year 3

Thursdays (3 weeks 15th February - 7th March) - Year 5

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 into school for these sessions.





Butterfly Class

It's been lovely to welcome back familiar faces and say hello to new friends joining us.

This week in Butterfly Class we have been hearing all about the Children's Christmas holiday news and it sounds like they've all had a wonderful time. We have also welcomed 5 new friends into Nursery, who had settled in beautifully and I'm sure we'll all have lots of fun together over the coming months.

Our topic this half term is 'Dinosaurs'. The children have already been enjoying playing with all the different types of dinosaurs we have in Nursery and we will be learning lots more fun facts about Dinosaurs as the weeks progress.

At forest school this week, the children got a chance to make bird feeders by drilling holes in feeder blocks and helping to thread the string through the hole so they can be hung in the garden. They also got to enjoy having hot chocolate and a biscuit around the fire with Bumblebee class.