



St John the Baptist Primary School

Friday 28th June 2024



Self-motivation Honesty Imaginative Nurturing Empathy

Collective worship theme: A moment of Now

Dear Parents and Carers,

I wanted to start off by saying thank you to everyone who was involved in the summer fair on Saturday. Whether you were running a stall, working behind the scenes or simply coming along to support with your family it was a true success. We did not let the rain stop us. The performers danced beautifully and danced the rain away. Below is a message from FOPS, who once again, created an amazing event for our children.



Soooo the pennies and pounds have been counted and FoPS are delighted to report a very healthy £1751.01 (every penny counts!) was raised from the Summer Fete on Saturday.

Thank you to everyone who helped with the planning, purchasing prizes, baking, ticketing the tombolas, putting up gazebos, selling raffle tickets, manning a stall on the day and of course those who donated to the tombolas and raffles and came along to support

the school on the day digging deep to spend at the cafe, BBQ, bar and on the games.

It was a really fun afternoon and after dodging the rain, we had a great turn out which was fantastic to see.

It's such a lovely community at our school and thank you to everyone who has continued to support in any way they can. As you know, every penny raised is spent at school and Miss Gage has some great ideas on what she plans to do with the topped-up fundraising pot!

If you'd like to be involved in planning the next event please message contactFoPs@gmail.com to let the team know. Warm regards, The FoPS

Festival day has been postponed until later in the year as we do not have the capacity to hold this at the moment with everything going on. Keep your eyes opened for a new date.

This week was full of transitions and new starts for all of our children. Year 6 visited their secondary school and although we are sad to see them go, they are ready for their next adventure.

The rest of the school spent Thursday afternoon with their new teachers and the excitement in the school was fantastic to see. We were also joined by a number of new children who will be joining our Pebmarsh family in September. We will arrange a meet the teacher and expectations on the first week back in September so please watch out for dates.

Sports day is next week, all of the house t-shirts have been ordered and these will be given to the children on the day and they will return home in them. These will then become part of their PE kit in September as we launch our houses. We look forward to seeing you at 12:00 for a picnic, followed by races.



Gardening club have had a fantastic week as well. They planted lots of beautiful plants at the War Memorial using the new gloves we received from a competition. They also received a Level 1 and 2 certificate from RHS including a £50 voucher to spend on gardening equipment.

Cough and cold season seems to be very early this year and we are getting through Calpol at an alarming rate. If you could possibly donate a bottle, of the 6+ (red box), it would be greatly appreciated.

Have a lovely end and stay the sun

United we strive for excellence-together we shine

week-safe in

Diary Dates

4th July

Sports Day

8th & 9th July

KS2 summer performances

12th July

School reports home

Friday 19th July

Leavers Assembly 9am (all invited)

Last day of the summer term

ATTENDANCE INFORMATION

Our schools attendance target is 96%

	This Week	YTD
Infants	92.67%	94.69%
Lower Juniors	95.00%	95.36%
Upper Juniors	98.00%	95.71%
Whole School	94.85%	95.16%

Highest attendance award goes to **Upper Juniors** this week!

Well done to **Lower Juniors** who won the highest attendance cake for the month of June

PLEASE ENSURE YOU INFORM THE SCHOOL OFFICE BY TELEPHONE OR EMAIL (NOT CLASS DOJO) IF YOUR CHILD IS OFF SICK OR WILL BE COLLECTED BY A DIFFERENT ADULT - THANK YOU.

If your child is off sick from school, please notify the school office no later than 9.20am—school policy states we need to be notified every day of absence. Please either email admin@st-john.essex.sch.uk or phone and leave a message if no answer.

Please Note: Trainers are not permitted. Black shoes for boys and girls only. Children can bring trainers into school to change into at breaktime if they wish to.

Long hair needs to be tied back safely, no jewellery to be worn in school apart from small stud earrings and a watch. No nail varnish.

Feel free to pack a healthy snack for your child to have a breaktime, crisps, sweets and fizzy drinks are not permitted.

Unexpected School Closures

If we have to close school unexpectedly - information will be posted on the Home Page of the school website:

<https://www.st-john.essex.sch.uk/>

Alternatively, information can be found on the Essex School

Closures page at:

<https://www.essex.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/emergency-school-closures>

The decision to close the school is never taken lightly.



Gold awards 28th June 2024

Pebmarsh Cup – Saffron

Saffron, the Koala class have all noticed your kind and caring nature that you bring into school every day. They have described you as being thoughtful and respectful to others and a great role model to our younger children. You have recently become a big sister and we all know she is going to be one lucky girl having you to look out for her as she gets older. Well done, Saffron!

Upper Juniors - All of Year 5 plus Bobbie and George

You have all been A-MAZ-ING this week by helping to make our school better. You have all been doing the pond, organising and cleaning and generally being awesome! Massive thanks for Mrs Lincoln and Miss Batten-Jones

Lower Juniors – Saffron – Excellence

Saffron, this week you have been full of energy whilst rehearsing for our school play. You know all the songs and dances, and you perform them so confidently, acting as a role model for others to follow. Thank you for letting your light shine so brightly.

Infants – Suzie - Excellence

Suzie you have been an absolute superstar over the past couple of weeks. You have been nurturing yourself as a learner and we have noticed how your imagination and creativity has been sparked and blossomed. You are so confident coming in in the mornings and cracking on with what you need to do. Keep being the shining star that you are.

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Tuesday 2 July 2024

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Thursday 4 July 2024

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Summer Term April to July 2024

Date	Year Group	Event
15 th April	Whole school	Return to school
15 th April	Lower Juniors	Forest School
17 th April	Whole school	Topic Immersion day-Perform workshop/dress up
18 th April	Lower Juniors	Swimming lessons commence
22 nd April	Infants	Forest School
22 nd April	Whole School	Earth day- developing spirituality
26 th April	All welcome	FOPs meeting
29 th April	Upper Juniors	Forest School
3 rd May	Lower Juniors	Class trip to Layer Marney Tower
13 th May	Year 6	SATs week
13 th May	Infants	Forest School
20 th May	Upper Juniors	Residential to Kingswood trip
20 th May	Lower Juniors	Forest School
24 th May	Whole school	Break up for half term
		Half Term
3 rd June	Whole school	Return to school
3 rd June	Infants	Forest School
7 th June	Whole school	FoPS Quiz night
10 th June	Upper Juniors	Forest School
11 th June	Whole school	Class photos
17 th June	Infants	Forest School
18 th June	Whole school	Class photos reserve date
22 nd June	Whole school	FoPS summer fayre
24 th June	Year 6	Transition to secondary school week
24 th June	Whole school	Transition week
24 th June	Whole School	Arts week
24 th June	Lower Juniors	Forest School
1 st July	Infants	Forest School
4 th July	Whole school	Sports Day
5 th July	Whole school	Festival Day—CANCELLED
8 th July	Infants	Forest School
8 th and 9 th July	KS2	KS2 performance (times tbc)
11 th July	Whole school	Reserve Sports Day
12 th July	Whole school	Leavers' disco 3.30pm-5.00pm—all years
12 th July	Whole school	School reports home
15 th July	Upper Juniors	Forest School
19 th July	Whole School	Leavers assembly-all welcome
22 nd July	Whole school	Non-pupil day
23 rd July	Whole school	Non-pupil day