



# St John the Baptist Primary School

Friday 18th October 2024

## Diary Dates

### **25th October**

Owlets Learning Together  
2.00pm

### **31st October**

Year 7 applications close

### **5th November**

Parents' evening  
consultations

### **7th November**

Parents' evening  
consultations

### **12th November**

Flu immunisations



Self-motivation Honesty Imaginative Nurturing Empathy

Dear Parents and Carers,

A great busy week at school this week as we edge closer to the end of half term, it is wild to believe that we are already 1/6 of the school year completed and it has been full of joy!

Next week will be a busy week as we have a building project in the Owlets area and an email regarding this has been circulated today. Please do talk to me if you have any questions, the Owlets have their hard hats ready to join in if they need to help with construction.



We have had the date confirmed for the flu immunisation—12th November—please complete the form that was sent out this week and let the school office know if you didn't receive it—you need to complete one even if you don't authorise your child to have the immunisation.

We have parents' evening on the first week back after half term so please sign yourself up with teachers on the playground next week. Club letters will also be out next week for you to sign your child up for after half term, clubs will commence a week later except for Young Voices which will begin on Friday 8th November.

Next week, we have the Night Owls coming in for a display, this is an exciting experience for the children and comes free of cost, there was a letter circulated today with further information on but please do contact if you have any questions.

Owlets also have their Learning Together afternoon on Friday at 2pm, where parents are invited in to take part in their child's learning. It is a great experience and Miss King will keep you updated via Class Dojo.

Year 7 applications for secondary school close during the half term, please make sure that you have completed this by the 31st of October to ensure your child has a place for September 2025.

Have a lovely weekend and we are looking forward to Monday already  
Miss Gage

United we strive for excellence-together we shine

# ATTENDANCE INFORMATION

Our schools attendance target is **96%**

	This Week	Year to date
<b>EYFS</b>	89.84%	91.69%
<b>Infants</b>	94.86%	95.61%
<b>Lower Juniors</b>	100%	97.41%
<b>Upper Juniors</b>	99.11%	97.06%
<b>Whole School</b>	95.98%	95.55%

Highest attendance award goes to **LOWER JUNIORS** this week!

**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 9.25am—school policy states we need to be notified every day of absence. Please either email [admin@st-john.essex.sch.uk](mailto:admin@st-john.essex.sch.uk) or phone and leave a message if no answer.

If your child needs to attend a medical appointment during school hours, please complete a Medical Leave of Absence form which are available in the school office.

**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.

## **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.**

**Please select your child's school meals as far in advance as you can—but no later than 9am on Thursday for the following week. Any orders placed after this time will not be processed .Thank you.**



## Gold awards 18<sup>th</sup> October 2024

### **Pebmarsh Cup – Grace**

Grace, this week, the Koala class have voted you to be the winner of the Pebmarsh cup. Everyone has noticed how hard you have been working, especially in Maths. The class describe you as being kind and caring towards your friends, helping them when you can and sharing at playtimes. We believe you are always trying your best. Well done Grace.

### **Upper Juniors - Astrid – Imaginative**

Astrid, you have produced some fantastic writing in English, you have really pushed yourself out of your comfort zone and used all the new devices we have been learning about on your multiple narrator story. Well done Astrid, it is really great to see you shine.

### **Lower Juniors – Grace – Self-motivation**

Grace, this week, we have really seen a boost in your self confidence with regards to your learning. You are now becoming a more active learner who contributes to your lessons, sharing your ideas and knowledge with others. This week you have worked so hard in Maths, developing your skills and knowledge. Keep up the hard work.

### **Infants – Rupert -S.H.I.N.E**

Rupert, it is hard to choose just one of our school values for you, as you show them all every day in everything you do. You work hard, are motivated to do your best, look out for others with kindness and sensitivity and are as honest as the day is long. Your imagination is brilliant and it is an absolute joy to spend every day with you in school and watch you grow. Keep being you. You are amazing.

## **Miss Gage's Shining Star of the week is:**

**Alfie W in Infants**

**You have been an amazing learner this week and a super role model to the rest of the class.**

**Well done Alfie!!**



**St John the Baptist Primary School**  
**Autumn Term September-December 2024**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Yr Group</b>	<b>Event</b>
3rd September	Whole School	Back to school for Autumn Term
9 <sup>th</sup> September	Owls	Forest School
16 <sup>th</sup> September	Koalas	Forest School
23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Owls	Forest School
26th September	Panthers	Open Evening at Ramsey Academy
30 <sup>th</sup> September	Panthers	Forest School
2nd October	Whole School	Harvest Festival in church at 9am
7 <sup>th</sup> October	Owls	Forest School
10th October	Panthers	Open Evening at Hedingham School
14 <sup>th</sup> October	Koalas	Forest School
18th October	Whole School	Movie Night 3.20pm - 5.15pm
21 <sup>st</sup> October	Owls	Forest School
23rd October	Owls	Learning Together 2pm <b>**postponed**</b>
25th October	Owlets	Learning together 2pm
		<b>Half Term</b>
4th November	Whole School	Non pupil day
5th November	Whole School	Parents' evening consultations
7th November	Whole School	Parents' evening consultations
8th November	Owls	Learning Together 2pm
11 <sup>th</sup> November	Panthers	Forest School
12th November	Whole School	Flu immunisation
13th November	Panthers	Learning Together 2pm
18 <sup>th</sup> November	Owls	Forest School
25 <sup>th</sup> November	Koalas	Forest School
27th November	Koalas	Learning Together 2pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> December	Owls	Forest School
9 <sup>th</sup> December	Panthers	Forest School
11th December	Owls & Owlets	Nativity performance in church at 2.00pm
12th December	Owls & Owlets	Nativity performance in church at 5.00pm
16 <sup>th</sup> December	Owls	Forest School