



# St John the Baptist Primary School

Friday 25th October 2024

## Diary Dates

### **31st October**

Year 7 applications close

### **4th November**

Non pupil day

### **5th November**

Parents' evening  
consultations

### **7th November**

Parents' evening  
consultations

### **12th November**

Flu immunisations



Self-motivation Honesty Imaginative Nurturing Empathy

Dear Parents and Carers,

What an amazing day we have had today with the owls visiting us. Some children were lucky enough to help fly them and we all watched as they swooped over our heads. Many children had photos taken and these will be available to purchase after half term. Check out Class dojo for some amazing videos.

This week started with a BANG! We had a team of builders who were busy building our new canopy and we are delighted with it. We cannot wait for the coloured roof tiles to be installed and the colourful post protectors to be added. Thank you to everyone who helped, including the children who were unfazed by moving classroom.



With a new half term comes some new clubs! Please make sure that you sign your child up

for clubs. Please note there will be no clubs on the first week back as we have parents evening apart from Young Voices club on Friday until 4pm.



Next half term is an exciting time for us as we have a Perform workshop on the first week back and also our annual Panto trip.

We return to school on Tuesday 5th November as Monday the 4th is an inset day. For our term dates for the year, please refer to the school website, which also shows the inset days for the rest of the academic year.

Today we had our Owlet parents in for Learning Together. Parents and carers worked with their children to create kingdoms. It was lovely to have so many parents enjoying the learning and after half term we have Owl class Learning Together.

With a busy half term behind us and an even busier one in front our theme for Collective worship today was pausing. Taking a moment of now to connect with ourselves and breathe. We listened to a song about how even when we feel worried, that there are brighter days to come. Check out our collective worship tab on our website to have a listen and take a pause yourself.

Have a restful half term. Miss Gage

United we strive for excellence-together we shine

# ATTENDANCE INFORMATION

Our schools attendance target is **96%**

	<b>This Week</b> <b>Fri-Thurs</b>	<b>Year to date</b>
<b>EYFS</b>	91.19%	91.57%
<b>Infants</b>	97.04%	95.89%
<b>Lower Juniors</b>	97.14%	97.43%
<b>Upper Juniors</b>	97.14%	97.18%
<b>Whole School</b>	95.89%	95.65%

**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 25<sup>th</sup> October 2024

**Pebmarsh Cup – Astrid**

Astrid, this week the Panther class have voted you to be the winner of the Pebmarsh cup. Your class friends have said you are so lovely and you bring them joy every day! They have described you as being kind, funny, happy and hard working. You brighten up our classroom like the star you are! Well done Astrid!

**Upper Juniors - Lana – Self-motivation**

Lana, this week in all subjects, but especially Geography, you have shown amazing self-motivation. The amount and quality of detail you put into your work was noticed by Mr Nichols and Mrs Lincoln. You have settled so well into Year 5 and we are really proud of you!

**Lower Juniors –Daisy - Honesty**

Daisy, you have been open and honest with your parents this past week regarding your learning. In maths you have faced challenging material but with determination and practise, you have managed to overcome any worries that you had. I believe that you have had such a positive and progressive start to your learning journey in the Koala class, and I look forward to you progressing further. Well done and keep up the hard work.

**Infants – Beatrice Self-motivation and imaginative**

Beatrice, you have worked incredibly hard this half term and your hard work and sheer determination has absolutely shone through in your work. You will try anything and you are self-motivated to try on your own too. You have an active imagination that sparkles through in Drawing Club and we love watching your eyes light up and you giggle as you create the most amazing inventions and ideas in adventure time. You really giggle when these are at our expense. Brilliant. Keep being you Beatrice and keep shining brightly. Well done.

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

**Fleur and her Nan**

**For stopping on the side of the road to  
litter pick and keep our community  
clean and safe**



# Autumn Half Term Trampoline Taster Sessions at Earls Colne Rec Club



Friday 1st November  
11am-12pm or 12pm-1pm

£8.75 per session  
Ages 3+. Limited spaces



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Contact Becky: [eventsadmin@dimensionstrampolineclub.org.uk](mailto:eventsadmin@dimensionstrampolineclub.org.uk)





**OPEN ORAL HEALTH SESSIONS  
TUESDAY 29TH AND  
WEDNESDAY 30TH OCTOBER  
2PM TO 5PM**

For all children, especially those who have not seen an NHS Dentist.

NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED

**Session includes**

- Free Dental Check up
- Familiarisation
- Oral Health advise
- Free brush and toothpaste



The Essex Dental Clinic

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**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 Novemberr	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
7th December	Whole School	FOPS Christmas Fair 12-2pm
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