

Newsletter

St John's C.E.V.A First School Frome



"Learning together... aiming high"

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HEADTEACHER'S AWARDS



William (Ash) Logan (Oak)
Gabriel (Hawthorn) Lucas (Poplar)
Lucja (Beech) Iris (Fir)
Sam (Rowan) Ben (Willow)
Kaylan & Mia (Maple) Zach (Sycamore)

HOUSE CAPTAINS' AUCTION



Thank you for all the secret bids you have been adding to the jar on the front desk. There is still time if you haven't got yours in yet – the deadline has been extended to 9am on Monday 10th.

We will check all the bids and the highest on each toy will win it. We will notify the winners and ask them to collect their toy and pay what they pledged. The ones left unsold will be raffled at 20p a ticket. All the money we raise will be for our classes.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

School photos have all been sent home this afternoon. If you have not received yours, please check book bags!

CHRISTMAS CARDS

The first delivery of Christmas Cards has gone home with your children today. A second delivery will follow next week. If you did not receive cards as expected, or if you would like to order any further card packs (either your child's or the school pack), please contact us on friendsofstjohnsfrome@gmail.com

JOIN US AT CHRISTMAS

We will be having our usual end of term service in church at 9.15am on Friday 21st. Family and friends are all welcome to come along and join us.

Also, the School Choir will be singing in the Candlelit Service at St John's Church on Sunday 16th December at 6.30-7.30pm. Please come along if you can.

CHRISTMAS POST

Our Christmas Post Service is now up and running! The postbox is beside the hall doors by the front desk. Children can post Christmas cards to their friends (and to staff) and our elves will sort them and deliver them to classes. It's very important that the envelope is clearly addressed with the name and the class.

CHRISTMAS NON-UNIFORM



We want to raise money for Save The Children and are asking children and staff to come into school on Friday 14th December wearing their own clothes (as Christmassy as you like!) instead of their school uniform. We will be making a collection as usual.

Save the Children



FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

Well done the footballers who played a number of games at Frome College Astro last week in the pouring rain. They beat Christchurch 2-0, lost to Rode and Norton St Phillip 1-0, then drew with St Pauls B 1-1 before losing to St Paul's A 4-0. Despite the weather, we had a great time.



CHRISTMAS AT THE THEATRE

THE MEMORIAL THEATRE

Frome Musical Theatre Company present "Aladdin" – a traditional family pantomime with live music and fantastic costumes and scenery this Christmas and New Year. There will be 8 performances from December 28th – January 2nd. Twins Gracie and Sophie in Maple and Sycamore will be performing in the shows – even the one that falls on their 9th birthday!

fmt.website/index.php?option=com_eventlist&view=details&id=265:fmtc-present-aladdin

THE MERLIN

This Christmas, Merlin Theatre Productions presents "The Nutcracker". Oliver J, Hugo and Indigo will be performing in the shows, which run between December 6th – 15th.

It's Christmas, the best time of year for toys and stories. But all over the world, the magic of Make Believe is fading. Only the toys know the truth: the Queen and King of Mouses have stolen the Christmas Star and used its magic to turn the Prince of Make Believe into a wooden Nutcracker. Can Clara and her brother Fritz bring the Nutcracker back to life, help him defeat the House of Mouse, and restore him to the throne?

First, they must believe...

merlintheatre.co.uk/whats-on/performances/the-nutcracker-merlin-theatre-productions/

OUR LEARNING WEEK AHEAD

Our focus is Advent and The Christmas Story.

Reception

- Maths - One less and counting from different starting points.
- English - Play practice.
- Phonics - Blending and segmenting.

Year 1

- Maths - Shape.
- English - Consolidating our Phonics knowledge and sentence building skills.

Year 2

- Maths - 10 times table. Problem solving.
- English - Learning about food chains in Antarctica.

Year 3

- Maths - Perimeter and measuring accurately.
- English - "Exciting Writing" about Harry Potter.

Year 4

- Maths - Multiplying and dividing.
- English - Grammar.



FRIENDS OF ST JOHN'S SCHOOL
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Thank you for all the amazing creations for the Bake-Off today. Did you visit the Secret Shop? Thank you too, to all our fabulous volunteers – we couldn't have done it all without you. Full Bake-Off results will be in next week's newsletter...

We also need to say a huge thank you to Helen the Bakemonger for judging the cakes, and for donating one of her amazing cakes to be auctioned, and lastly a massive thank you to the school choir for their wonderful singing. Thank you!

CAN YOU HELP?

Have you seen a little doll that was lost in school last week? It's a little felt fabric angel doll with white hair and a white dress. Its owner is very sad to have lost it and is really hoping someone may have seen it or knows where it is.

DIARY DATES

Mon 10 Dec	Christmas Play to Y2 Parents 2pm
Tues 11 Dec	Christmas Play to Y2 Parents 2pm
Weds 12 Dec	Christmas Play to Y1 Parents 2pm
Thurs 13 Dec	Christmas Play to Y1 Parents 2pm
Fri 14 Dec	Christmas Non-Uniform
Sun 16 Dec	Candlelit Service – in church 6.30pm
Tues 18 Dec	Christmas Lunch
Weds 19 Dec	Science Fair – Y4 9.15 – 11.30am
Weds 19 Dec	Christmas Play to Rec Parents 2pm
Thurs 20 Dec	Christmas Play to Rec Parents 2pm
Fri 21 Dec	Carol Service - in church 9.15am
Fri 21 Dec	Last day of term
Mon 7 Jan	INSET Day – School closed
Tues 8 Jan	School restarts
Weds 13 Feb	Year of the Flute – Workshop
18 – 22 Feb	Half Term
Tues 26 Feb	Year of the Flute Concert – Cheese & Grain
March 20, 21, 22	Liddington Residential – Year 4
24, 25, 26 April	Life Bus in school

Do you have a child due to start in Reception or Middle School in September 2019?

If your child is due to start school for the first time (born between 01/09/2014 and 31/08/2015) or is due to move on from Year 4 at St John's and into Year 5 next year, then it is very important you make an on-time school place application.

Deadline for ALL Primary Admissions - **15th January 2019**

Even if you currently have an older child on roll at the school, you must still make an application; you will not gain a place automatically and a place is not guaranteed.

To download the primary booklet for parents, to make an on-line application, or for further information, please visit: somerset.gov.uk/admissions and choose the page "Apply to Start School" or "Starting at a Junior or Middle School".

At St John's CE VA First School the health, safety and wellbeing of every child is our top priority. We expect all staff, governors, parent/carers and visitors to share this commitment to safeguarding our pupils.