

Newsletter

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



"Learning together... aiming high"

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HEADTEACHER'S AWARDS

Chase (Hawthorn) Isla (Poplar)
Frankie (Beech) Juliet (Fir)
Alfie (Rowan) Lily (Willow)
Herbie (Maple) Chloe & Sam (Sycamore)



Mr Coombs was also given a Headteacher's Award this week.

DATA COLLECTION & HOME SCHOOL AGREEMENTS

This week your child will bring home an envelope containing the following documents:

A **Data Collection Sheet** which contains all the details we currently hold for them and you. It is our duty to give you the opportunity to check and amend these details, so that we can communicate with you quickly and efficiently. Please could you read your child's sheet very carefully, make any necessary changes, then return it, even if you have made no changes.

A **Home/School Agreement** - the contract between home and school which we ask parents and children to sign every year. Please ask your child to sign if you are confident that they understand. It is desirable but not essential for your child to sign.

A **Flu Immunisation Consent Form**. On Tuesday 17th December, the NHS nursing team will be in school to give all the children this year's flu immunisation. Please indicate whether or not you give your consent, and return the form either way.

There may also be one or two other documents we need completed and returned. Pupils' files have all been checked for any missing information eg. consent forms or allergy information.

Please return all completed forms to staff on the front desk, or to your class teacher, as soon as possible. Thank you.

ACORNS

Thank you to Telia's nanny, who donated a brand new toaster to Acorns this week. Mrs McCarthy, Miss Mason and Mrs Coates are very grateful.



We are still looking for a few items for our home area though. Do you have any of the following that you no longer need? We would be very grateful for baby dolls, pushchairs and cots; tea sets, play food, pots and pans; clean cushions and any old, non-functioning mobile phones.

Thank you.

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS - IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Somerset School Admissions will **not** be sending letters to children due to start or transfer school for September 2020 to inform them to apply. From Monday 16th September, parents can apply online at somerset.gov.uk/admissions or phone Somerset Direct on 0300 123 2224 for a paper copy of the application. Information for parents is also available on:

[facebook.com/Somersetschooladmissions/](https://www.facebook.com/Somersetschooladmissions/)

The closing date for Primary Phase Admissions (including first to middle) is 15/01/2020.

CHRISTMAS PLAYS

This year, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will be doing some special Christmas performances to their families. Reception children will be inviting parents into school to hear some Christmas singing in the hall, Year 1 will be inviting their parents to a Nativity Service in church, and Year 2 will be performing a Christmas play in school. As you can see below, there will be a morning and an afternoon performance by each Year Group. We hope that by giving you the dates now, you will have plenty of time to arrange any necessary time off work. Tickets for performances in school will be issued in the same way as usual.

Monday 9th Dec

Year 1 Nativity Service in church 2pm

Tuesday 10th Dec

Year 1 Nativity Service in church 10am

Year 2 Nativity Play in school hall 2pm

Wednesday 12th Dec

Year 2 Nativity Play in school hall 9:30

Reception Christmas singing in school hall 2pm

Thursday 13th Dec

Reception Christmas singing in school hall 9:30

SCHOOL CHOIR

...for Years 2, 3 and 4 starts next week, running every Monday from 3.15 - 4.15pm. Mrs Marsland needs lots of new, enthusiastic singers please as so many moved on to middle school in July!

YEAR 4

Please could you make sure the Year 4 Responsibilities applications are in by next Monday 16th. Thank you.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE At Frome Library

Did you sign up for the Summer Reading Challenge at the library? Have you read all six books yet? Staff from the library have extended the deadline until tomorrow if you need a little bit more time to finish them. They will deliver certificates and medals later this month for us to present to the children in collective worship.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

We have booked the children's Christmas lunch for Tuesday 17th December. The special festive menu will follow nearer the time.



SEND

The following publications are now available to view and download on the Somerset County Council website: somerset.gov.uk/cwd

- Short Breaks Club Newsletter
- Short Breaks October Half Term Activity Calendar

THE NEST

SMSC - We will talk about birthdays and make birthday leaves to display on Birthday Board.



COOKING - We will make rice crispy cakes for our snack time.

PE - We will use activity cards to move about according to instructions.

OUR LEARNING THIS HALF TERM

Our value is Thankfulness

Reception

Maths - Numbers 1, 2 and 3.
Phonics - Letter sounds I, N, M, D.

Year 1

Maths - Place value.
English - Phonics. Sentence structure.

Year 2

Maths - Comparing and ordering numbers to 100.
English - Retelling the story of 'Beegu'.

Year 3

Maths - Place value.
English - Starting our text, 'The Stone Age Boy'.
Learning to write in paragraphs.

Year 4

Maths - Place value.
English - Writing traditional stories with an Egyptian twist.



FRIENDS OF ST JOHN'S SCHOOL
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AGM

Wednesday 18 September 5.30pm in School

We would like to invite all parents, carers and staff to the Annual General Meeting of the Friends of St John's School next Wednesday 18th. It's a chance to find out about the Friends, to discuss ideas for events and fundraising goals, and to meet or join the team! Do let us know before the meeting if you would like to find out more about the roles on the team - we will vote in a new committee at the AGM and would love to welcome some new team members. We look forward to seeing you there.

NEW INTAKE OPEN MORNINGS

Wednesday 25th September & Tuesday 1st October.

If you have a younger child starting school in September 2020, you may like to come along to one of our Open Mornings and have a look around school. Even if you've been here for a year or two already, you are still welcome to come along! You will be able to meet other new parents, Mrs Marsland, the Friends of St John's and you will have a chance to be shown around school by our brand new House Captains.

There is no need to book - just call in any time between 9.30am and 11.30am on either day. Children are welcome too.

DIARY DATES

Weds 18 Sept	Friends of St John's AGM - 5.30pm
Weds 25 Sept	New Intake Open Morning 9.30 - 11.30
Tues 1 Oct	New Intake Open Morning 9.30 - 11.30
Weds 2 Oct	Parent Partnership - Year 4 PM
Fri 4 Oct	World Smile Day
Tues 8 Oct	Parent Partnership - Year 3 9.30am
Weds 9 Oct	Parent Partnership - Year 2 9.30am
Thurs 10 Oct	Parent Partnership - Year 1 9.30am
Mon 14 Oct	Parents' Evening
Weds 16 Oct	Parents' Evening
Thurs 24 Oct	Inset Day - School closed
Fri 25 Oct	Inset Day - School closed
28 Oct - 1 Nov	Half Term
Tues 5 Nov	Cheddar Gorge Trip - Year 3
Fri 15 Nov	Children In Need
Mon 9 Dec	Year 1 Nativity Service in church - 2pm
Tues 10 Dec	Year 1 Nativity Service in church - 10am
	Year 2 Nativity Play in school - 2pm
Weds 12 Dec	Year 2 Nativity Play in school - 9:30am
	Rec Christmas Singing in school - 2pm
Thurs 13 Dec	Rec Christmas Singing in school - 9:30am
Tues 17 Dec	Flu Immunisations in school
Tues 17 Dec	Christmas Lunch
Fri 20 Dec	Last Day of Term
Mon 6 Jan	Inset Day - School closed
Feb 17 - 21	Half Term
Thurs 5 March	World Book Day
March 18, 19, 20	Liddington Residential - Y4