

Newsletter

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



"Learning together... aiming high"

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HEADTEACHER'S AWARDS

Rafael (Ash) Maya (Oak)

Betty (Hawthorn) Joe (Poplar)

Sonny (Beech) Jessica (Fir)

Alfie (Rowan) Jude & Riley (Willow)

Lilly, Edward, Archie & Oliver A (Maple) Chase (Sycamore)



WELCOME

Edward in Ash and Oliver in Fir

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY & POPPY APPEAL 2018

PARADE

Once again, staff and children will be representing St John's School in the Remembrance Parade this Sunday 11th and laying a wreath at the Memorial.

ST JOHNS CHURCH

Children in Sycamore Class have produced poppies as part of the exhibition 'And the Shadows Remained' which continues in St John's Church until Sunday 18 November. The church is open every day from 10 - 4pm if you would like to come in and have a look. You may hear the church bells ringing out on Saturday morning as part of the Armistice Centenary commemoration.

REMEMBER WORLD WAR I AND II

"826,000 people died in the Second World War. If people hadn't fought, we wouldn't be here. Remember everyone was brave. They fought against some tough people that were stronger than them, but they still fought. They could win against those tough people that were stronger than them, or the tougher, stronger people would have won. We can learn a lot from it."
Holly

CHAIR OF THE GOVERNING BODY

Due to pressures of work commitments, Hugh Haines has taken the decision to step down from his positions as Chair of the Governing Body and as Local Authority governor. The school would like to thank Hugh for his services as Governor.

Until a new Chair is elected by the Governing Body, the current Vice-Chair, Fiona Puleston, will take over Chair responsibilities.

COMMUNITY CUP

This morning in collective worship, we presented our Community Cup to Nattira Dunbar, mum of Jay in Fir Class. Nattira acted as translator for the Thai boys who were trapped in caves in Thailand in June/July. The boys were in the UK last week and Nattira was with them, helping them to tell their story and convey their thanks to their rescuers at the Pride of Britain Awards.

BEST IN LINE

Poplar Class and Sycamore Class

FROME SCHOOLS' ANTI-BULLYING MARCH

Children in all Frome Learning Partnership schools have organised an Anti-Bullying March in response to a suggestion from one of the Anti-Bullying Ambassadors in our schools. The pupils want to promote the anti-bullying messages they hear in school to parents and the wider Frome Community.

The March is planned for next Wednesday 14th, which is in the middle of national Anti-Bullying Week. Children in Year 4 will be taking part - letters with all the details will be coming home today. Please return the slip by Monday.

CHILDREN IN NEED 2018

ON MONDAY 12th

Wear your own clothes to school!

For a donation. Buy 1 get 1 free! One donation for two days - you may also wear your pyjamas to school on Friday 16th.



Monday 12th is also the first day of national Anti-Bullying Day, which is traditionally Odd Socks Day to celebrate "All Different, All Equal". Children may like to include odd socks when they choose which of their own clothes to wear.

ON THURSDAY 15th

Bring your spare change in for Pudsey - children can bring small change to help create a GIANT mural of Pudsey throughout the day then all money will be added to our total.

ON FRIDAY 16th

Wear your pyjamas to school!

Listen out for St John's School Councillors and House Captains on BBC Radio Somerset from 7.30 to 8.30am where we will present Pudsey with all the money we have raised throughout the week.

PIRATE DAY

Children in Beech and Fir had such a pirate-tastic Pirate Day before half term! We hope they told you all about the fun they had, making their pirate passports, learning a pirate song and dance and building pirate ships.

Thank you to all the parents for making such a huge effort with the great costumes.



IN THE NEST

- PE - We will be drawing and following a chalk treasure map.
- Science - We will be discussing the seasons and working on our Autumn booklets.
- SMSC - We will be playing memory games.
- Cookery - We will be making a sandwich using a healthy filling.



OUR LEARNING WEEK AHEAD

Our Value is "Respect"
as we think about anti-bullying.

Reception

- Maths - Counting sets. Recognising numerals to 10. Ordering numbers.
- English - Telling stories linked to Robin's journey to Bethlehem. Starting to practise our play.
- Phonics - Learning the letters w, th and z.

Year 1

- English - Writing a recount of our Westonbirt trip.
- Maths - Addition and subtraction.

Year 2

- Maths - Learning to recognise coins and calculate amounts.
- English - Describing Adelie penguins using adjectives.

Year 3

- Maths - Continuing column subtraction.
- English - Starting our new text, "Harry Potter & The Philosopher's Stone".

Year 4

- Maths - Multiplying and dividing by 10/100/1000
- English - Starting our new topic: "Investigate!" by looking at famous scientists.



FRIENDS OF ST JOHN'S SCHOOL
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Christmas Raffle

A book of raffle tickets has been put in book bags today. Further books are available from the front desk. Tickets are £1 each. Please bring money and ticket stubs back by Monday 10 December. The draw is on Thursday 13th December. We already have some amazing prizes, but we are looking for more donations. If you, or anyone you know, may be able to offer a prize (product, service, voucher) please let us know.

Christmas Cards

Thank you for all the terrific designs. The school winner and the Postscript year-group winners will be announced very soon! All orders for cards will be completed and delivered to school by early December.

Festive Fayre - Friday 7 December

If any parent, family member or friend might be interested in having a stall to sell their products/crafts then please do get in touch. We are also looking for help on the day, so please let us know if you may have some time to offer. And don't forget the BakeMonger's Bake-Off - we can't wait to see (and taste) those fabulous festive showstoppers!

Many thanks.

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CHRISTMAS BOX APPEAL 2018

If you would like to fill a shoebox for the FSCI (Foundation for Social Change and Inclusion) Christmas Box Appeal this year, there is still time. Leaflets are available from the front desk. Filled boxes can be taken either to St John's Church, or brought in to school by November 17th.

You can also find the information and print the labels online:
fscinet.org/christmas-box

DIARY DATES

12 - 16 Nov	Anti-Bullying Week
Mon 12 Nov	Non-Uniform & Odd Socks
Tues 13 Nov	Westonbirt Trip - Year 1
Tues 13 Nov	Parents' Meetings PM - Rec
Weds 14 Nov	Parents' Meetings AM - Rec
Weds 14 Nov	Anti-Bullying March
Thurs 15 Nov	Spare Change Pudsey
Fri 16 Nov	Children In Need - Pyjama Day
Fri 30 Nov	Christmas "Light the Night" Town 5pm
Fri 7 Dec	Festive Fayre
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
Tues 18 Dec	Christmas Lunch
Weds 19 Dec	Christmas Play to Rec Parents 2pm
Thurs 20 Dec	Christmas Play to Rec Parents 2pm
Fri 21 Dec	Last day of term
Mon 7 Jan	INSET Day - School closed
18 - 22 Feb	Half Term
March 20, 21, 22	Liddington Residential - Year 4

*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.*