

Dear Parents and Carers,



Welcome back!

I hope you had a lovely summer break and are now settling back into school. The start of a new school year is an exciting time. Teachers and children will be getting to know each other. A special welcome to our new families joining us this year.

School uniform

Thank you for ensuring that your children look smart in their uniforms. **School uniforms are important;** they help instil a sense of belonging and school pride.

Can I remind parents that trainers are **not** allowed. School shoes need to be as follows:



SIAMS Inspection



In July, St John's was inspected under the SIAMS Framework which ensures Church of England schools are serving their community with Christian

values. We are pleased to share that the school was judged to be living up to its Christian vision and many strengths were highlighted. The following quote from the report was particularly enjoyable to read:

"St John's throws open its gates every morning with smiles and sounds of welcome for all who enter. This happy, inclusive school serves its diverse community with an abundance of Christian love and service. Not only a place of learning, it provides its families with help in many aspects of life. It is rightly held in high regard by its community as a beacon of hope."

Thank you to all our parents who spoke to the inspector during her visit. The children and staff also did a great job during the day. The full report is available on our school website or from our school office.

Attendance and Punctuality

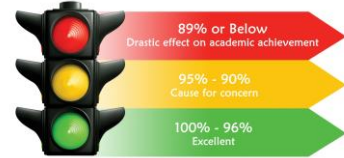
Attendance is very important and missing just a few days of school can have an impact on the progress pupil's make.

Our target is 96%.

Please support school by sending your child in on a regular basis.

It is also important to be on time.

The gates are open from 8:40am-9:00am. Please ensure your child is brought to school by **9:00am** so they are ready to start learning.



Children's Rights - Article 28

Every child has the right to an education.



Macmillan Coffee Morning

Macmillan is a wonderful charity that we always like to support. We will be hosting our Macmillan coffee morning on **Friday 27th**

September at 9:00am – 10.00am. Please donate a cake or come for a coffee and a chat! Children will serve our parents.

Y6 Residential

Our Y6 pupils will be enjoying a 3 day residential at **Conway Centre, Wales**, leaving on **11th September**. We are delighted to be able to offer this to our pupils and thank the governors for agreeing to subsidise this trip. We wish our children the most wonderful time of fun and adventure!



LSC After school Sports Club

LSC run their sports club on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. It is for children from Reception to Year 6. To book a place on their club please go to their website www.wearelsc.co.uk or use the link <https://bit.ly/45klrAd>

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Voicebox Winners!

Just before summer, our school council worked with Miss Morgan on a project promoting the work we have done within the local community. This was part of the 'Voicebox Big Health Challenge'. Lots of schools took part but I am really pleased to announce that St John's were the overall winners! The judges said "Our winners this year were St John's CofE Primary School who presented their fantastic outreach work in their local community through fundraising and food bank volunteering." They also added, "We are so impressed with the work your pupils did on supporting the physical and mental health of your school community with your amazing food bank work and volunteering. 'We all need love, hope, wisdom, dignity and community in our lives and to share it with others'. This quote really resonated with us and it's clear that this was an aim of the amazing work your pupils have done!"



It is wonderful to have all our children back in school. I know that staff are pleased with how they have settled in. It has been a pleasure to see the children enjoying their new learning. Thank you for your ongoing support.



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