



St John's Newsletter
 November 2024
'Let all that you do be done in love.'
 1 Corinthians 16:14



Dear Parents and Carers,
Newsletter 3: November 2024



Welcome back!
 We hope you had a lovely half term break. It is a beautiful time of year. Not only are we well into the season of Autumn, with its changing temperature and scenery, but we also enter the time of religious festivals such as Sukkot, Diwali, Bodhi Day and, of course, Christmas.

So far this school year, the children's learning has included the 'Chester Zoo Experience,' the Federation 'Poetry Slam' and Federation handball tournaments. And there is more excitement to come!

Children in Need

We will be celebrating **Children in Need** on **Friday 15th November**. This charity raises money for children who are disadvantaged or need support with issues such as poverty, illness, disability, distress or trauma. Our school council have asked that we support this worthwhile charity by asking children to come to school in spots or bright colours! A small voluntary donation would be appreciated on the day.



Remembrance
 We will be remembering and paying our respects to those who have died in various wars and conflicts around the world, as part of the annual remembrance event, this November. Our children's learning will be underpinned by this theme to deepen their understanding. To commemorate the occasion, we will be selling poppies from our school office. The donations from this will be going to the Royal British Legion Charity, so children are warmly encouraged to buy a poppy and wear it with pride.

Attendance

October's attendance was **94.5%**.

Our aim is 96%.

Well done to class **6C** who had the best attendance in September at **99.4%**
 Overall attendance for the school year so far is **95%**.



Attendance is very important and missing just a few days of school can have an impact on the progress pupil's make. Please support school by sending your child in on a regular basis.

Children's Rights - Article 28
 Every child has the right to an education.



Reading

We love reading at school! Please encourage your child to read each night at home. Developing a love of reading can help in all areas of learning and can bring lifelong joy! Some forthcoming parent reading workshops will be organised. More information to follow on this.

Punctuality

Thank you with your support to the change to the school day. Teachers are making the most of this extra time with the children. Although most of our families are arriving on time, we still have children arriving after 8:50am. These children are missing out on learning. **Please ensure your child arrives in school before 8:50am. Gates open at 8:35am.**



Anti-bullying

We will be marking anti-bullying in school from Monday 11th November. During the week, children will take part in internet safety workshops and our Digital Ambassadors will speak to classes about staying safe online.

Yours sincerely
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Event	Date
Reception, Year 1, 2, 3 Pantomime performance in school	Monday 2 nd Dec
Year 4, 5, 6 Pantomime Visit (Stockport Plaza Theatre)	Monday 9 th Dec
Year 3 visit to Manchester Grammar School to watch The Snowman	Wednesday 11 th Dec
RA Nativity 9:15am RB Nativity 2:30pm Parents welcome!	Wednesday 11 th Dec
Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity 9:15am Parents welcome!	Thursday 12 th Dec
Christmas Jumper Day	Thursday 12 th Dec
Christmas Lunch in School	Thursday 12 th Dec
Year 1 Festive Singalong 9:15am Year 2 Festive Singalong 2:30pm Parents welcome!	Friday 13 th Dec
Nursery Christmas Songs 9:15am Parents welcome!	Tuesday 17 th Dec
Key Stage 2 Festive Singalong at Church	Thursday 19 th Dec
Last day of school before Christmas holiday break	Friday 20 th Dec
School Reopens for Children for the Spring Term	Tuesday 7th Jan

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