



St John's Church of England Academy

I Will Shine

Issue 7:
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Dear Families and Children,

I will start by wishing you all a very happy and restful half term break filled with plenty of time for fun and relaxation. Children, you have worked incredibly hard this half term and you should all feel so proud of yourselves. I have seen so many acts of kindness and respect to one another since we started back at school in September, your books are packed full of very high-quality work and your behaviour in lessons and around school is second to none. You are all shining day in and day out and each one of our school values is being lived out fully. Well done to you all!

Parents and carers, thank you for attending our TLC meetings this week. We hope you found it useful to spend time with the teachers to hear more about how the children are settling into their new year groups. You will have the opportunity to look at books with the children during our Time to Shine events and we are also planning to open school for you one evening next half term for any working parents who cannot attend.

On Tuesday we learned more about Diwali and the children were all very interested to learn about the festival of light which will be celebrated on Monday 24th October. To all who celebrate Diwali, we wish you a day filled with joy. We are so lucky at St John's to have so many religions represented in our school community and we love to learn about beliefs, traditions and festivals. Reverend Andy came to lead us in prayer on Wednesday and he spoke to the children about generosity using the Bible story of Jesus Feeding the 5000. Thank you, Andy; we love your visits to St John's.

Thank you to everyone who donated pre-loved uniform. The quality of everything you've given is brilliant and we do encourage families to have a look at our uniform rail and take what you can use. We are aiming to help with sustainability in any way we can and it would be lovely for uniform to go to a new home. We all know that children grow in the blink of an eye!

We do hope you have a brilliant half term and please look after yourselves and stay safe, especially now that the evenings are getting darker. Please scroll down and see some important road safety messages to keep everyone safe. Look after yourselves and see you on Monday 31st October for the start of Autumn Term 2.

Congratulations to our Value (Identity), Deputy Headteacher and Headteacher certificate winners this week!



Our teachers have recognised and celebrated the hard work of: **Jacob, Rohan, Martha, Minnie-Lou, Jemimah, Amelia, Aron, Jessica, Toby, Eliza, Harry, Caleb and Nancy**. Our end of half term awards are a special celebration for children who have been identified as showing exceptional progress or achievement and those who have lived out the value of Identity in all aspects of their school life. We are very proud of you all.

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Safeguarding

Mrs Stevenson and Mrs Henderson are the safeguarding leads in school. If you have a concern about a child in our school, please speak to us, phone us at school or email:

laura.stevenson@stjohns.covmat.org

sara.henderson@stjohns.covmat.org



Wellbeing tip from Mrs Henderson

Weekly wellbeing tip

Sometimes it's nice to be told you are loved, appreciated and beautiful; for no reason at all except to make you smile.

Time to Shine – save the dates

Years 5 and 6 Monday 14th November 2.45 – 3.15

Years 3 and 4 Tuesday 15th November 2.45 – 3.15

Years 1 and 2 Monday 21st November 2.45 – 3.15

We are slightly changing the format to allow you to see more of your child's learning which we hope you will enjoy.



Padlet

Thank you to those who shared some wonderful photos of the first signs of Autumn on last week's Padlet. This week the title is 'things that have made us smile'. Please scan the QR code or click the link to add the things that make you smile this half term. It could be a photo or you could write a note to explain. Once you have added to the Padlet, you can continue to visit the page and see what makes other people smile. I will be saving them each week to add to a display later in the year. You can find the link [here](#) or here:



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Community News

Lanchester Live in the Library

LANCHESTER
Interactive Archive



This half-term, explore some of Fred Lanchester's amazing inventions from petrol-electric hybrid cars to phenomenal flying machines!

Join in with games, Lego, augmented reality and virtual reality, plus the chance to experience the sights, sounds and smells of Coventry's motoring history by stepping back in time with a 90 year old Lanchester 15-18hp car.

Allesley Park Library
2pm – 5pm
Thursday 27th October

For children aged 6-14 years
Admission **FREE**
Drop in session – no need to book
Find out more: **024 7678 5813**
or email libraries247@coventry.gov.uk



  coventry.gov.uk/libraries
lanchesterinteractive.org  

Children from the Allesley Park & Whoberley area, plus family and friends, are invited to join a Superhero-themed party at St Christopher's Church. The party will be a family-friendly alternative to Halloween for children aged 7-14+. So why not join them for fun, games, food & craft. Book via the church website (stchristopher.org.uk) and tell your friends!

SUPERHERO PARTY

SUN 30th OCT 5-7pm

Children from the Allesley Park & Whoberley area, plus family and friends, are invited to join our Superhero-themed party: a family-friendly alternative to Halloween for children aged 7-14. Join us for **fun, games, food & craft.**

Book via our website and tell your friends!

 St Christopher's Church
Allesley Park and Whoberley stchristopher.org.uk



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Dates for your diaries	
Monday 31 st October	Welcome back to school!
Tuesday 1 st November	9.00: Year 4 leading worship – families are very welcome to join us Year 6 Lego STEM day All Saints Values Day
Wednesday 2 nd November	Flu vaccine day for Reception to Year 6 (for children with parent/carer consent)
Thursday 3 rd November	
Friday 4 th November	9.00: Celebration Worship – please join us to celebrate together 2.30: Wellbeing SEND coffee afternoon with Mrs Henderson in the hall
Monday 7 th November	
Tuesday 8 th November	
Wednesday 9 th November	9.10 – 9.40: Year 4 Come and Share
Thursday 10 th November	
Friday 11 th November	Remembrance Day 9.00: Celebration Worship – please join us to celebrate together 11.00: Whole school silence outside on KS2 playground

Prayer and Reflection

Loving Father, we look to you.

All: Receive our prayer.

Thank you for giving all of us the opportunity to develop our school values and for helping us to find all our different ways to shine. Loving Father, we look to you.

All: Receive our prayer.

Thank you for the St John's community, for keeping us safe in your care and for bringing comfort to us when we need help. Loving Father, we look to you.

All: Receive our prayer.

Thank you for teaching us about the importance of stewardship and for showing us how to do your work in our good deeds for others. Loving Father, we look to you.

All: Receive our prayer.

Thank you for teaching us that we are all special and unique and for giving us so many gifts and talents. Loving Father, we look to you.

All: Receive our prayer.

To every member of our St John's family, I wish you faith, hope and love in all that you do. I pray that you are comforted when you need support and receive guidance in times of need.

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Stay safe near roads



ROAD SAFETY

THINK

about where you should cross.



STOP

in a safe place at the side of the road.



USE YOUR EYES & EARS
to see and hear any approaching vehicles.



WAIT

until all the vehicles have passed.



LOOK AND LISTEN

again to make sure all is clear.



CROSS

the road. Keep looking and listening.



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The same child is in exactly the same place in both photographs below. What children wear when they are outside is very important. Please keep them safe with bright, reflective colours. Be seen, be safe.



KEEP YOUR CHILD VISIBLE



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Are you a parent of a child or young person with additional needs living in Coventry? We would love to hear from you. We are working with the National Charity Contact to help establish a Parent Carer Forum for the City, so your voices can influence and contribute to policies and services for your sons and daughters. Why not contact Helen or Dannii for more information and join us at the AT7 on the 4th of November.

entrust
care partnership

COVENTRY
parent carer forum

contact For families with disabled children

**Your'e invited to the first Forum
information session for Coventry
parent and carers**

*Parent Carer Forums work with local
councils and health to improve services
for families, children and young people
with additional needs.*

If you'd like to know more about how to get
involved come along on

FRIDAY 4TH NOVEMBER 2022 10.30AM-11.30AM
AT7, 12 BELL GREEN ROAD, COVENTRY, CV6 7GP

*Please contact Helen or Dannii for more
information
Call - 07735650019
Email- ppw@entrustcarepartnership.org.uk*

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Save the date for the St John's Christmas Fayre!

St John's PA presents

ST JOHN'S CHRISTMAS FAYRE



FRIDAY 9TH DECEMBER
3.30PM-6PM
PLEASE SAVE THE DATE
MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW

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