



St John's Church of England Academy

I Will Shine

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Dear Families and Children,

We have come to the end of our third week back at school and I have been thrilled to see everyone coming into school so happy and ready to learn and have fun. All of the adults at school are very impressed with how hard every class is working and it is reflected in the high standards that you have all been showing in your books; we've even had some very early pen licences awarded this week! As I walk around our school, I am always struck by the good manners and politeness shown by you all, and the kindness you show to one another. To see so many smiles every day is wonderful!

We have all been working hard to develop our growth mindset this year. Some classes have been watching videos of Mojo and his friends as he discovers the power of 'yet' and the fact that mistakes really do help us to learn. If you want to find out more about this at home, you can find the videos of Mojo here: <https://ideas.classdojo.com/b/growth-mindset>

Worship this week focused on our school value of Identity. We reflected on the fact that we are all unique and special, and that we are all loved by God. Then we spent some time together thinking about the things which make us unique. Wellbeing Wednesday was about ways to show kindness to ourselves and to others. We prayed together to ask for God's guidance and support to help us to think before we act and about how we react to other people and situations. The story this week was called 'Be Kind' and each class talked about small acts of kindness that we can do to spread happiness in our lives. As it was International Day of Peace on Wednesday, this opportunity to worship together in classes gave us lots of time to think about ways to create peace in our own lives and we prayed together for peace throughout the world. We also learned a new song this week called 'Never Give Up' and the lyrics remind us to keep on striving to stand up for justice and hope.



Congratulations to our Reading, Maths and Star of the Week certificate winners this week!



Prayer and Reflection



A Prayer for the Peace of the World

Almighty God,
from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed;
kindle in the hearts of all people the true love of peace;
and guide with your pure and peaceable wisdom
those who take counsel for the nations of the earth;
that in tranquillity your kingdom may go forward,
till the earth is filled with the knowledge of thy love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



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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.



Wellbeing tip from Mrs Henderson

Weekly wellbeing tip
If we all do one kind thing
each day, the world would be
a much better place for
everyone.

Labelling of school uniform and pre-loved clothing

Please can we remind all families to label school uniform. Our lost property is starting to pile up and it is taking staff a long time to reunite clothing with its owner. Please label all items of clothing with your child's name. Each half term, we will be providing people with the chance to browse pre-loved items of uniform and give them a new home free of charge, or for a voluntary donation. If you have uniform or coats which children have outgrown and still have lots of life left in them, please keep them safe and we will share a date each half term where clothing will be available to browse.

Harvest Celebration and school service

We would love to share this special service with our school community where Mrs Stevenson will be welcomed and commissioned as Headteacher at St John's. Our children will be leading part of the service and leading us in song. It will be held at St Christopher's Church on Sunday 2nd October at 10.00am. There is also a shared lunch after the service. Please sign up using this link if you would like to stay and share lunch: <https://forms.office.com/r/pQixcEORCf>



Parking



We are receiving numerous complaints from the local community about car parking around our school. Please do not park on double yellow lines as this causes congestion and impacts on drivers' vision at junctions. This is becoming dangerous for people crossing the roads and we cannot risk the safety of our community. Please do not park across any driveways. Our school car park is for staff only unless there is a need for disabled parking. Thank you for your support with keeping our children and local area safe.

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**PARENTS & CARERS IT'S
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ST JOHN'S PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

**First PA Meeting: Thursday 29th September
at 7.45pm at the New Spires (CV5 8HJ)**

We very much need your involvement to keep on holding events & raising much needed funds to help St John's as they help all our children to shine. Please do get in touch even if you can only offer a small amount of time over the year:

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