



Message from Miss Smalldon

Dear Parents/ Carers,

What a rollercoaster of a week it has been! On Tuesday and Wednesday, we had our Termly Learning Conferences. Thank-you so much to all of the parents (and children!) who attended these sessions; I hope you found the discussions beneficial. On Thursday, we opened the school to give you an opportunity to view your child's classroom and books. I know how important it is to view and celebrate your child's learning and achievements; I really hope you valued and treasured this opportunity. There has been lots of BRILLIANT learning in school this half term across all areas of the curriculum.

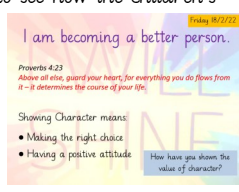
House Point Update

Since January, we have changed how house points are awarded. Rather than being awarded for 'amazing learning', they are now awarded to children for showing the school values. This may be in the classroom, within worship or even outside at play and lunch. It has been an absolute delight to see the children shining through our values and earning lots of points for their house. To me, it is really important that every child understands how they have 'shone' and are recognised for this, so each half-term, we will celebrate the house points through a whole school celebration. Today was that day! As a treat, all children in school got to 'Share a Story' with a member of staff they don't usually see. The winning house received an extra-special treat. I am so sad to have missed out on this celebration but I know that Mrs Henderson had great time celebrating with the 'Mother Teresa' house.

We've made it to the holiday! I am so sad that I can't spend the last day with the children and say 'Happy half-term'. I want to take this opportunity to say a huge thank-you to you all for your on-going support. The first half term without Mr Watson has been a fun one and I can't wait to see how the children's learning progresses in the run up to Easter.

Keep smiling and stay safe,

Miss Smalldon



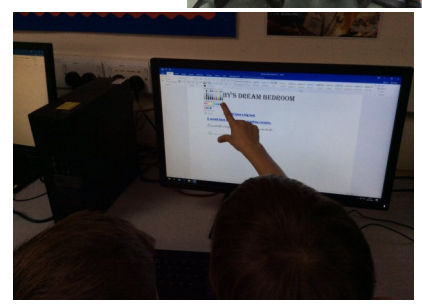
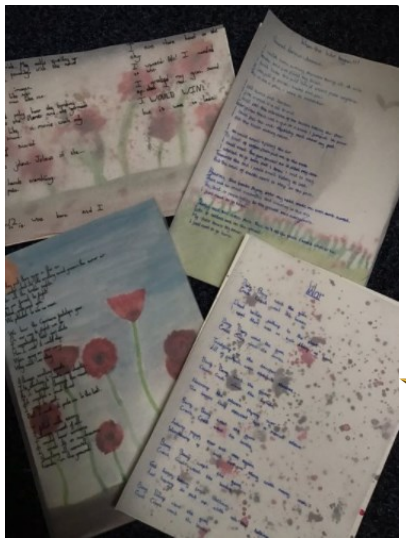
Come and Share and Time to Shine
Spring Term Dates

Reception	
Come and Share	14/2/22
Time to Shine	15/3/22
Year 1	
Come and Share	14/2/22
Time to Shine	21/3/22
Year 2	
Come and Share	2/2/22
Time to Shine	25/3/22
Year 3	
Come and Share	3/3/22
Time to Shine	29/3/22
Year 4	
Come and Share	4/2/22
Time to Shine	4/3/22
Year 5	
Come and Share	10/2/22
Time to Shine	31/3/22
Year 6	
Come and Share	16/2/22
Time to Shine	4/4/22

together we
SHINE

Our Amazing Learning with Miss Smalldon

It's been a fun week at St. John's— look at the range of learning!



Safeguarding Reminder

At St John's C of E Academy, we have a Safeguarding Team who work to keep children safe both in and out of school. Mrs Baddeley, Miss Smalldon and Mrs Henderson are the school's safeguarding team so please contact them if you are worried about the safety of a child who attends our school.



Wellbeing with Mrs Henderson

What an amazing half term! So much wellbeing and outdoor learning going on, roll on next half term for this to continue! I can't thank all of our parent volunteers enough. Have a really relaxing holiday.

Outdoor Learning will continue next half term for Years 1 and 2, making lots of links to their current units. Thank you to all the amazing parent volunteers for making this possible!

Please remember we are here, if you need to chat, drop me an email or phone me - more now than ever, we need to support each other.
Mrs Henderson

Weekly wellbeing tip
Today, take a few minutes to sit quietly and just be thankful for all that you have.

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SHINE

Additional Notes For Parents :

Following Local Authority guidance, the one-way flow (from the KS1 gate to the KS2 gate) around the school will remain at the start and end of the day, we will be adjusting the start and end times for all children. The gate will be open **from 8:45-8:55am**. We are asking for all children to arrive between these times. This 10 minute slot will help alleviate congestion and will ensure adequate flow around the site.

At the end of the day, we are reducing pick-up times to 2 slots. See below for when your child must be collected. **Siblings may be collected at the earliest slot for your family in line with current guidelines.**

Pick-up times	
3:20pm	3:30pm
Year 2	Reception
Year 3	Year 1
Year 5	Year 4
	Year 6

School uniform is required. Where possible, ensure the uniform is washed regularly throughout the week. All children need to come to school in their P.E. kit on their P.E. day.

Reception	Friday
Year 1	Friday
Year 2	Monday
Year 3	Tuesday (starting 14 th September)
Year 4	Friday (starting 4th March)
Year 5	Friday
Year 6	Friday

Each day, children will need to bring their:

1. Coat
2. Reading Book
3. Filled water bottle (which will be **taken home each day** to be washed!)

Stars of the Week!

Well done to everyone for a great week; all children at St. John's shine. Here are our 'super' stars of the week!



Head Teacher's Awards!

Reception: Harper

Year 1: Eddie

Year 2: Emmy

Year 3: Grace

Year 4: Woody

Year 5: Florence

Year 6: Treydon



Assistant Head Teacher's Awards!



Reception: David

Year 1: Carys

Year 2: Heidi

Year 3: Rohan

Year 4: Felicity

Year 5: Lucy

Year 6: Isaac





I will Shine Awards (Character)!



- Reception: Jemimah
- Year 1: Olufikayo
- Year 2: Vincent
- Year 3: Edith
- Year 4: Samuel
- Year 5: James
- Year 6: May

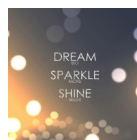


Times Tables Awards (Year 4)

Achievement - Grace
Progress - Indy, Sebastian



Sports Award!
Year 1: Seren





Attendance at St John's



Your child's attendance in school is extremely important to us and to them. Please have a look at the information on this page to support you if you have concerns or would like more information around your child's attendance in school.



There have been lots of worries over illnesses recently, which is completely understandable. To help us return to our children attending school consistently, this website might help you.

Is my child too ill to go to school today?

<https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

School attendance

If a child is regularly absent, they may fall behind with learning, this makes attendance fundamental in making sure young people become successful learners. When children attend school consistently, they are more likely to do well in their work but also build strong relationships and feel connected with the school community. This helps to support and maintain a positive wellbeing for the child.

Good attendance also demonstrates reliability which will help prepare children for life beyond education and looks positive to future employers.

What does the law say?

By law, all children of compulsory school age must receive a full-time education that meets their needs and parents are responsible for making sure they attend school.

If you have any questions, queries or worries around your child's attendance, please come and speak to Mrs Henderson or email sara.henderson@stjohns.covmat.org

STRANGER AWARENESS



In our world there is a fine line in teaching your child manners, self-protection, and enjoying life without constant stranger anxiety. Follow the tips below to introduce Stranger Awareness with your kids.

WHEN TO START



FROM AGE 3

children begin to have more interactions with strangers. From the lady at the checkout asking their name, to the teenager chatting at their brother's soccer game.

HOW TO START



FOCUS ON 'SAFE PEOPLE, SAFE PLACES' AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NSW POLICE FORCE AND FORGET THE 'STRANGER DANGER' FOCUS WHICH CAN CREATE ANXIETY.

WHAT TO SAY

TALK WITH YOUR CHILD ABOUT WHEN A STRANGER MIGHT SEEM BAD, SUCH AS:

- 1 A stranger asks you to disobey the instructions of your parent or person in charge.
- 2 A stranger asks you to go with them to help find their dog.
- 3 A stranger offers you a toy or treats when your parents or person in charge is not with you.
- 4 A stranger asks you to go in the car with them.
- 5 A stranger says they're lost and asks you for help.
- 6 A stranger seems to be following you around.



WHAT TO SAY

TELL YOUR CHILD IF A STRANGER IS MAKING THEM FEEL UNSAFE THEY CAN KEEP SAFE WITH THESE 4 STEPS:



- 1 Don't answer their questions.
- 2 Assure them they will not get in trouble for yelling and running from an adult in this situation.
- 3 Run to a safe place. Tell them safe places including certain shops, restaurants, police stations, teachers, beach lifeguards.
- 4 Once at a safe place, tell them to tell an adult that they are scared of a stranger and ASK THEM TO CALL THE POLICE.

Talk with your child about the **SAFE PEOPLE, SAFE PLACES** message when out and about. When you visit the library, beach or park ask your child what she would do if a stranger came up to her, and walk through your **SAFE PEOPLE, SAFE PLACES** steps (although may be don't practice yelling in the library).



INTERNET SAFETY WORKSHOPS FOR PARENTS & CARERS

FREE ONLINE workshop for parents and carers to help keep their **children safe online**.
Hosted by West Midlands Police in partnership with Coventry City Council's Prevent Team.

We will share **guidance and strategies** on how to make the internet a safer experience for children.

The following topics will be explored:

- Apps and appropriate ages
- Safety settings
- Grooming, sexting, bullying, radicalisation and extremism
- Gaming
- Introducing house rules
- How to approach conversations and what to do if your child is a victim



To view dates and times and to book a place, please [click here](#) or scan the QR code above.



Safer Internet Day 2022 | **Tuesday 8 February**

Coordinated by the UK Safer Internet Centre

Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

What is the minimum age for account holders on these social media sites and apps?

Under 13 Roblox PopJam FaceTime	13+ Twitter Facebook and Messenger Viber WeChat Monkey Yubo Dubsmash Instagram	13+ TikTok Skype Google Hangouts Reddit Snapchat Pinterest	16+ WhatsApp Telegram Messenger Tumblr	18+ or 13 with parent's permission YouTube WeChat Kik Flickr Play Store Spotify (12 with parental permission)
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Minecraft – Ages 7+

Fortnite – Ages 13+

S Stay Safe: Don't give out your personal information to people / places you don't know.

M Don't Meet Up: Meeting someone you have only been in touch with online can be dangerous. Always check with an adult you trust.

A Accepting Files: Accepting emails, files, pictures or texts from people you don't know can cause problems.

R Reliable?: Check information before you believe it. Is the person or website telling the truth?

T Tell Someone: Tell an adult if someone or something makes you feel worried or uncomfortable.

Follow these SMART tips to keep yourself safe online!

What children need to know about

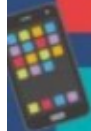
ONLINE BULLYING



What is online bullying?

ONLINE BULLYING – ALSO KNOWN AS CYBERBULLYING – IS BULLYING THAT TAKES PLACE ON THE INTERNET OR VIA ELECTRONIC DEVICES AND MOBILE PHONES. IT CAN INCLUDE:

1. SENDING SOMEONE MEAN OR THREATENING EMAILS, DIRECT MESSAGES OR TEXT MESSAGES
2. HACKING INTO SOMEONE'S ONLINE ACCOUNT
3. BEING RUDE OR MEAN TO SOMEONE WHEN PLAYING ONLINE GAMES
4. POSTING PRIVATE OR EMBARRASSING PHOTOS ONLINE OR SENDING THEM TO OTHERS
5. CREATING FAKE SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS THAT MOCK SOMEONE OR TRICK THEM
6. EXCLUDING SOMEONE FROM AN ONLINE CONVERSATION OR BLOCKING THEM FOR NO REASON



BE KIND ONLINE

BEFORE PRESSING 'SEND' ON COMMENTS, ASK YOURSELF THESE 3 QUESTIONS...

1. WHY AM I POSTING THIS?
2. WOULD I SAY THIS IN REAL LIFE?
3. HOW WOULD I FEEL IF SOMEBODY SAID THIS TO ME?



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Why does it happen?

GOING ONLINE MAKES IT EASIER FOR PEOPLE TO SAY AND DO THINGS THEY PROBABLY WOULDN'T DO FACE TO FACE. ONLINE BULLIES DON'T GET TO SEE THEIR VICTIMS' REACTIONS IN REAL LIFE, SO THIS CAN COOON THEM FROM THE REAL DAMAGE THAT THEY ARE DOING. QUITE OFTEN, PEOPLE BULLY BECAUSE THEY ARE GOING THROUGH SOMETHING DIFFICULT THEMSELVES AND TAKING IT OUT ON OTHERS IS THE ONLY WAY THEY KNOW HOW TO GET CONTROL OF THEIR OWN EMOTIONS.

How does it feel to be bullied?

BEING BULLIED CAN IMPACT ON YOUR SELF-ESTEEM, CONFIDENCE AND SOCIAL SKILLS. BECAUSE IT HAPPENS ON YOUR PHONE, TABLET OR COMPUTER, IT CAN FEEL LIKE YOU ARE UNDER THREAT EVEN WHEN YOU'RE IN A SAFE ENVIRONMENT, SUCH AS YOUR BEDROOM. DON'T FORGET...IT IS NOT YOUR FAULT IF YOU'RE BEING BULLIED.



Am I an online bully?

SOMETIMES IT ISN'T OBVIOUS THAT WHAT YOU ARE DOING IS WRONG, BUT IF YOU USE DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY TO UPSET, ANGER OR EMBARRASS SOMEONE ON PURPOSE, THIS MEANS YOU'RE INVOLVED IN ONLINE BULLYING. IT MIGHT BE AS SIMPLE AS 'Liking' A MEAN POST, LAUGHING AT AN ONLINE VIDEO, OR SPREADING A RUMOUR, BUT THE PERSON BEING BULLIED COULD FEEL LIKE THEY ARE BEING GANGED UP ON. THINK ABOUT HOW IT WOULD MAKE YOU FEEL IF IT HAPPENED TO YOU. EVERYONE CAN MAKE MISTAKES, BUT IT'S IMPORTANT TO LEARN FROM THEM – GO BACK AND DELETE ANY UPSETTING OR NASTY POSTS, TWEETS OR COMMENTS YOU'VE WRITTEN.

Who do I tell?

YOU DON'T HAVE TO DEAL WITH THE BULLYING ON YOUR OWN. TALK TO AN ADULT THAT YOU TRUST – A PARENT, GUARDIAN, OR TEACHER. MOST WEBSITES, SOCIAL MEDIA WEBSITES AND ONLINE GAMES OR MOBILE APPS LET YOU REPORT AND BLOCK PEOPLE WHO ARE BOTHERING YOU. YOU COULD ALSO CONTACT CHILDLINE (WWW.CHILDLINE.ORG.UK), WHERE A TRAINED COUNSELLOR WILL LISTEN TO ANYTHING THAT'S WORRYING YOU – YOU DON'T EVEN HAVE TO GIVE YOUR NAME.



How do I prove it?

WHEN CYBERBULLYING HAPPENS, IT IS IMPORTANT TO DOCUMENT AND REPORT THE BEHAVIOUR, SO IT CAN BE ADDRESSED – RECORD THE DATES AND TIMES WHEN CYBERBULLYING HAS OCCURRED, AND SAVE AND PRINT SCREENSHOTS, EMAILS, AND TEXT MESSAGES.

How can I stay safe?

MAKE SURE YOUR PRIVACY SETTINGS ARE SET SO THAT ONLY PEOPLE YOU KNOW AND TRUST CAN SEE WHAT YOU POST. NEVER GIVE OUT PERSONAL INFORMATION ONLINE, SUCH AS IN PUBLIC PROFILES, CHAT ROOMS OR BLOGS, AND AVOID FURTHER COMMUNICATION WITH THOSE SENDING THE MESSAGES. KEEP AWARE OF FAKE PROFILES AND INTERNET USERS PRETENDING TO BE SOMEONE THAT THEY ARE NOT.





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"COME & HAVE A GO DAY..."

SUNDAY 20TH FEBRUARY 3-5PM
AND

TUESDAY 22ND FEBRUARY 3-5PM



Coventry Music are having two open days when you are welcome to come have a go at playing woodwind, strings and brass from 3pm onwards at Drapers' Hall with Coventry Music tutors. It is a chance to meet some of our tutors and see our fantastic new venue
If you would like to come along please let us know by signing up here.



On Sunday we will also be running a flute workshop 3-6pm and sharing performance in partnership with NYO at 5:30pm. For more information, including how to sign up for this and other workshops click here: [NYO Event Information Sheet](#)



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