

## Message from Mr Watson.

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you all have had a lovely half term break. All the children have made a fantastic start back to school.



Year 1 and 2 have been out on trips this week. Year 1 visited Allesley Park and Year 2 visited the Coventry Transport Museum. Both classes had a great time and were very well behaved.

Just before, and during half term, we have had a small rise in COVID cases in the school. I was in contact with Public Health England and the Local Authority regarding our numbers. This week, we have had no new cases in school. As a school, we will continue with the measure we have in place currently. If numbers due to start increase, we will review our Risk Assessment and be in contact with Public Health England and the Academy Trust. Thank you for your continued support and for following the school guidance.

A number of children have been selected for leadership roles within the school. Some groups have already started planning and more groups will start to meet over the coming weeks to help plan events in the school. It is brilliant to see children coming up with really creative ideas to help support the school.



Thank you to everyone who has bought in money for the poppy appeal. You still have time for your child to purchase poppy merchandise. Poppies will be sold next Monday and Tuesday. Please stay safe over the bon-fire weekend.

Gary Watson  
Head Teacher

Friday 1/10/21

I can give my unique contribution

**Ephesians 2:10** For we are God's workmanship & masterpiece, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do

Showing Identity means:

- Giving my unique contribution
- Thinking about others' feelings
- Knowing I have a part to play

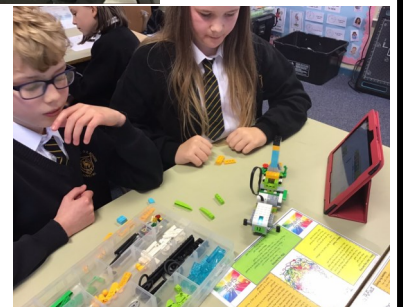
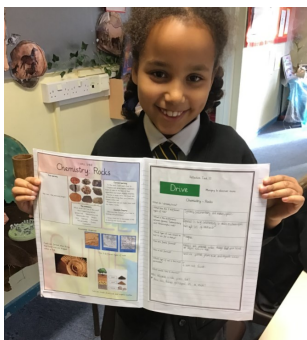
Time to reflect  
What have I contributed this week?  
Have I thought about other peoples feelings?  
How have you shown the value of identity?



together we  
**SHINE**

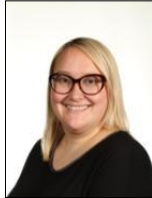
## Our Amazing Learning with Miss Smalldon

It's been a fun week at St. John's— look at the range of fabulous 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. Mr Watson, 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.



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### Wellbeing with Mrs Henderson

I hope you all enjoyed the Wellbeing Walk; I know Mr Watson had fun filling in for me! I did miss being with you all...I'll have to plan another one! I will be organising an event this half term. Outdoor learning is continuing this half term for Years 1 and 2, making lots of links to their current units. Thank you to all the 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.

Take care,  
Mrs Henderson



### 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.

<u>Pick-up times</u>	
<u>3:20pm</u>	<u>3:30pm</u>
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	Friday
Year 3	Tuesday (starting 14 <sup>th</sup> September)
Year 4	Thursday
Year 5	Tuesday (starting 14 <sup>th</sup> September)
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!



## Star of the Week Awards!

Reception: Ethan for always trying his best: exploring all areas of the curriculum and challenging himself!

Year 1: Noah for being an amazing role model on our walk around the local area and always being an amazing friend in a classroom. You're always so kind and polite, thank you Noah!

Year 2: Lucy for being a fantastic member of year two and also trying her best in every lesson.

Year 3: Annie for participating well in all lessons this week! Annie has been really focused on her learning this weekend has been keen to share her ideas with it class. Great work Annie!

Year 4: Toby Varney for fantastic work across all subjects. Toby's presentation has been consistently high and he is sharing our school values of excellence and teamwork brilliantly this week. Well done Toby!

Year 5: Thomas for being totally amazing in every lesson! Sharing such focus and drive on producing some amazing learning! Fantastic- keep this up!

Year 6: Miller for being focused in his lessons, helping his learning partner in English, contributing and getting involved more.





**Maths Award**

- Reception: Albert
- Year 1: Lucy
- Year 2: Caiden
- Year 3: Joshua
- Year 4: Grace Ke
- Year 5: Isla T
- Year 6: Ruby

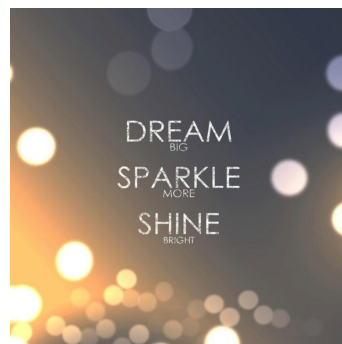


**Pen Licence Award**

- Year 5: Effie
- Year 6: Keziah

**Sports Award**

- Year 2: Martha





Important  
Dates

Monday 25th October—Friday 29th October	Half Term
Monday 1st November	Children back in school
Monday 1st November	Earthquake—Mechanical System Visitor
Wednesday 3rd November	Year 1 - Walk around the local area
Thursday 4th November	Year 2 visit to the Transport Museum
Monday 8th November	Whole School Flu Vaccinations
Thursday 11th November	Remembrance Day Activities
Friday 12th November	Time to Shine Year 5 - 2:20pm (potentially virtual)
Tuesday 6th November	Year 2 leading worship- Drive
Wednesday 17th November	Andy March leading worship
Thursday 18th November	Time to Shine Year 2 - 2:20pm ((potentially virtual)
Thursday 18th November	Come and Share - Reception (potentially virtual)
Friday 19th November	Children in Need
Wednesday 24th November	Year 3 trip to Compton Verney - Stone Age Experience
Week beginning 29th November	Learning Journey meetings with parents
Tuesday 30th November	Values Day
Thursday 2nd December	Time to Shine Year 3 - 2:20pm (potentially virtual)
Tuesday 7th December	KS1 Christmas Play Afternoon and KS2 Christmas Play Evening
Wednesday 8th December	KS2 Christmas Play Afternoon and KS1 Christmas Play Evening
Wednesday 8th December	Time to Shine Year 4 - 2:20pm (potentially virtual)
Monday 13th December	Time to Shine Year 1 - 2:20pm (potentially virtual)
Monday 13th December	Learning Logs due in
Monday 13th December	Learning Logs due in and celebrated in class
Tuesday 14th December	Spring Topic Discovery Day
Tuesday 14th December	Christmas dinner day and Christmas jumper for staff and children
Tuesday 14th December	Time to Shine Year 6 - 2:20pm (potentially virtual)
Wednesday 15th December	Wellbeing afternoon for the Whole School
Wednesday 15th December	Reception - Christmas Show at the Belgrade Theatre
Thursday 16th December	Christmas Service at St Christopher Church led by Year 4
Friday 17th December	Special Certificates – Head, Deputy, Drive Value and Learning Log
Friday 17th December	Last day at school
Monday 20th December—Friday 31st December Christmas Holiday	Christmas Holiday
Tuesday 4th January	INSET-School closed to children

# Can you lend a hand at school



**St. John's would love your help, whether it's a little time as a one off, or regular involvement.**



**Reading**



**Gardening**



**Library**



**Maintenance  
& Odd Job  
Days**



**Display  
Boards**



**School  
Trips**



**In Class  
Support**



**Outdoor  
Learning**

If volunteering in school is something you are interested in, please contact Emma Williams at [parent.council@stjohns.covmat.org](mailto:parent.council@stjohns.covmat.org) or text 07795 231652 for further info.



**Well-being  
Activities**