



Message from Mr Watson

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had an amazing first week back, all the staff are so pleased that the children are back in school. They have all settled back into the school routines and it is great to see them working together again.

On Monday and Tuesday, the children worked on a range of values based well-being activities. The art work they produced was brilliant. Please have a look at the children's work on display on the hall windows. You will also see a new 'water feature' as you come into school. Try and spot your child's artwork. A huge thank you to Mr Twigg for building the feature.

Thank you to everyone who has responded to our parent and child surveys. We have had lots of responses but we would like as many as possible. We have had so many positive comments, these really do make a difference. The links for the survey are on the page 6 of the newsletter.

Today, school was closed for INSET training. The staff teamed up with the other eighteen schools in the Multi-Academy Trust to look at the vision and values of the trust. Next Friday, we will be 'Red Nose' day. Mrs Henderson and Year 4 will be leading the day. Can you come to school wearing non-uniform

Have a great weekend!!!

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions. Stay safe.

Mr Watson, Headteacher

I can grow even if things are hard.

James 1:2-4

Consider it sheer gift friends when tests and challenges come at you from all sides. You know that under pressure, your faith life is forced into the open and shows its true colours. So don't try to get out of anything prematurely. Let it do its work so you become mature and well developed, not deficient in any way.

Showing Character means:

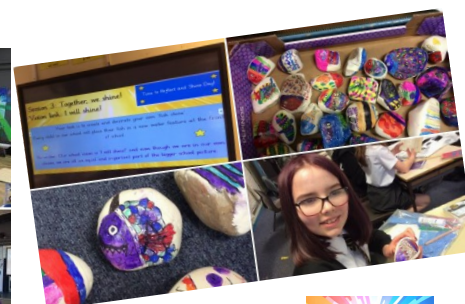
- Overcoming things which are challenging or disappointing
- Choosing how you respond to situations
- Persevering



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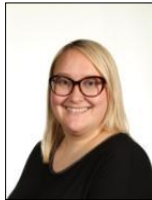
Our Amazing Learning with Miss Smalldon

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

We are back! For some of you and your children, this may be the cause of some anxiety, this is ok and normal. Please let us know so we can support you and your child during this initial period of returning to school now and over the coming weeks. I am busy organising wellbeing activities in school and looking forward to organising more wellbeing activities for the whole school community!

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.



Weekly wellbeing tip  
Remember, mistakes are proof that you are trying your best.

### Additional Notes For Parents :

All children will be returning on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March. The drop off and pick times will be the same as before Christmas. They are:

Year Group	Drop-off	Pick-up
Reception	8:35am	3:10pm
Year 1	8:45am	3:20pm
Year 2	8:55pm	3:30pm
Year 3	8:35am	3:10pm
Year 4	8:55pm	3:30pm
Year 5	8:45am	3:20pm
Year 6	8:55pm	3:30pm

Remember: the 3 staggered drop-off and pick times for children is to allow less children and parents entering school at one time, reducing potential 'bottle necks' and overcrowding. **If you have more than one child at St. John's, you may drop them all off at the earliest slot for your family.**

### What will the children need to bring with them to school?

Each day, they will need to come to school in their uniform and bring their:

1. Coat
2. Reading Book
3. Filled water bottle (which will be taken home each day to be washed!)
4. Packed lunch (if your child is not having a hot school meal!)
5. Plastic folder for letters for Year 3, 4, 5 and 6. Reading packets for Reception, Year 1 and 2.
6. Key Stage 2 (Year 3, 4, 5 and 6) can bring in an additional warm top to wear in the classroom

Children need to wear their PE kit on their PE day. **Some year groups have changed days.**

Reception	Wednesday
Year 1	Tuesday
Year 2	Tuesday
Year 3	Tuesday
Year 4	Thursday
Year 5	(Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> and 18 <sup>th</sup> ) Then Monday's onwards
Year 6	Thursday

**It is really important that they do not bring in any additional items such as pencil cases and small toys. Birthday sweets or cakes must be covered.**

## 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: Esther** - for her amazing attitude to her learning since coming back after school. Her enthusiasm towards her learning has been fantastic, helping others, asking questions and super concentration!

**Year 1: Vincent** - for his fantastic attitude and his incredible progress in his maths learning. Well done Vincent!

**Year 2: Alex** - for trying to push himself with his learning and being independent with his work. You are a superstar!

**Year 3: Evie S** - for having such an amazing week. Evie has been so thoughtful and helpful this week and it is a real pleasure to have her in the class. Keep it going!

**Year 4: Livia** - for having an amazingly positive attitude in returning to school with everything she has done! Amazing superstar - keep this up!

**Year 5: Mollie** - for settling back in to school routine and working hard, showing 'Excellence' and being supportive and helpful to other class members! Well Done!

**Year 6: Georgia** - for a brilliant attitude to learning and for being a wonderful role model. Georgia always tries her best, listens carefully and is an excellent learning partner and produces work of a high quality - she is amazing!





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Headteacher Mr G. Watson



12<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

As part of Year 4's Spring Term topic, Money, Money, Money we are planning **Red Nose Day on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March** for the whole school.

The theme for this year is 'Do something funny for money!' **Please donate £1 (per child or per family)** and send your child into school wearing non-uniform, superhero costumes or something funny!



The day will begin with a presentation from Year 4 about Comic Relief and Red Nose Day. Year 4 have planned activities for each year group to complete throughout the day and there is a competition!

Thank you for supporting us with raising awareness of the importance of supporting children both here in the UK and around the world.

Kind regards,

Mrs Sara Henderson  
Assistant Head and SENDCO



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Please complete this questionnaire for every child in your family who attends St. John's. The government have stated to schools, that if the school is closed due to the Coronavirus pandemic, the children should be given access to a full curriculum at home, closely matched to the curriculum they receive at school. This is something we have been working hard on since the last lockdown in March 2020. Thanks to you all for your support with our 'Remote Learning' offer. We always strive to improve, so as always, your views are very important to us! Please take the time to answer the following questions.

Link to the parent questionnaire: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQL\\_SexXj9UUyAOi77PLtBib\\_Sj\\_s9w9q\\_7i58OhO7xleizHn.8DA/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQL_SexXj9UUyAOi77PLtBib_Sj_s9w9q_7i58OhO7xleizHn.8DA/viewform?usp=sf_link)

Link to the child questionnaire: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQL\\_ScxCm66zGmXRyVBZ3paPyMewUCBJlaLYNpnr3nmFVK-Wblw/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQL_ScxCm66zGmXRyVBZ3paPyMewUCBJlaLYNpnr3nmFVK-Wblw/viewform?usp=sf_link)

Many thanks for your continued support,

Miss Smalldon and Mr Watson