

The Early Bird



Issue 8: Friday 12th January 2024

Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught and you will overflow with thankfulness. Colossians 2:7

From the Headteacher.....

Dear parents/carers,

Just a short newsletter this week to say Happy New Year ...and what a start we have made to 2024!

I hope you all had a peaceful Christmas and I am sure there were a few parties thrown in there too. Well done to all for getting into school looking smart, as Christmas can be a busy time.

We also had a great start to the term with our number day, so many numbers and Rock Stars around. If you need any help with getting onto the Numbots or TT Rock Stars systems at home, then just let your class teacher know. They are proven to strengthen children's maths knowledge and speed of recalling numbers and also give the

building blocks for better outcomes in maths through school. So little and often is the best way.

We have just received some brief information on a local school crossing patrol closure. Please take a look at the information in the box below to ensure your views can be taken to keep our community safe.

We have a short term ahead but jam packed full of learning. Early bed times for all!

Have a wonderful weekend and stay warm.

Mrs SM Bowyer Headteacher

School Crossing Patrol Consultation

I have been informed that a school crossing near to St. John's school has been planned **not** to be replaced.

The location is: Newcastle Lane / Harpfield Rd Trent Vale

We think this is the roundabout between St. John's and Thistley Hough High school.

The school crossing patrol position has been vacant for at least 12 months.

The saving to the Local authority to not replace this crossing patrol is £7,750.

The Local authority say there are no records of collisions at school time or involving a child casualty during this time.

If you would like to comment on this please use the link below so find a feedback form so that your views can be considered on the Stoke-on-Trent budget consultation.

The consultation is open until 12th February 2024.

www.stoke.gov.uk/budget2024

As we welcome 2024, let us embrace
the new things the Lord has in store,
trusting in His guidance and
provision even in unexpected places.



Dedication - Courage - Joy

Dates for you Diary

Friday 2nd February—NSPCC number day

Monday 5th February 10.30 am - Miss Nickless and Year 3 class lead worship—St. Valentine. Class parents and careers welcome to attend.

Monday 5th and Tuesday 6th February. Parents evening after school.

Monday 12th February to Friday 16th February—half term

Monday 19th February—school open to staff & pupils

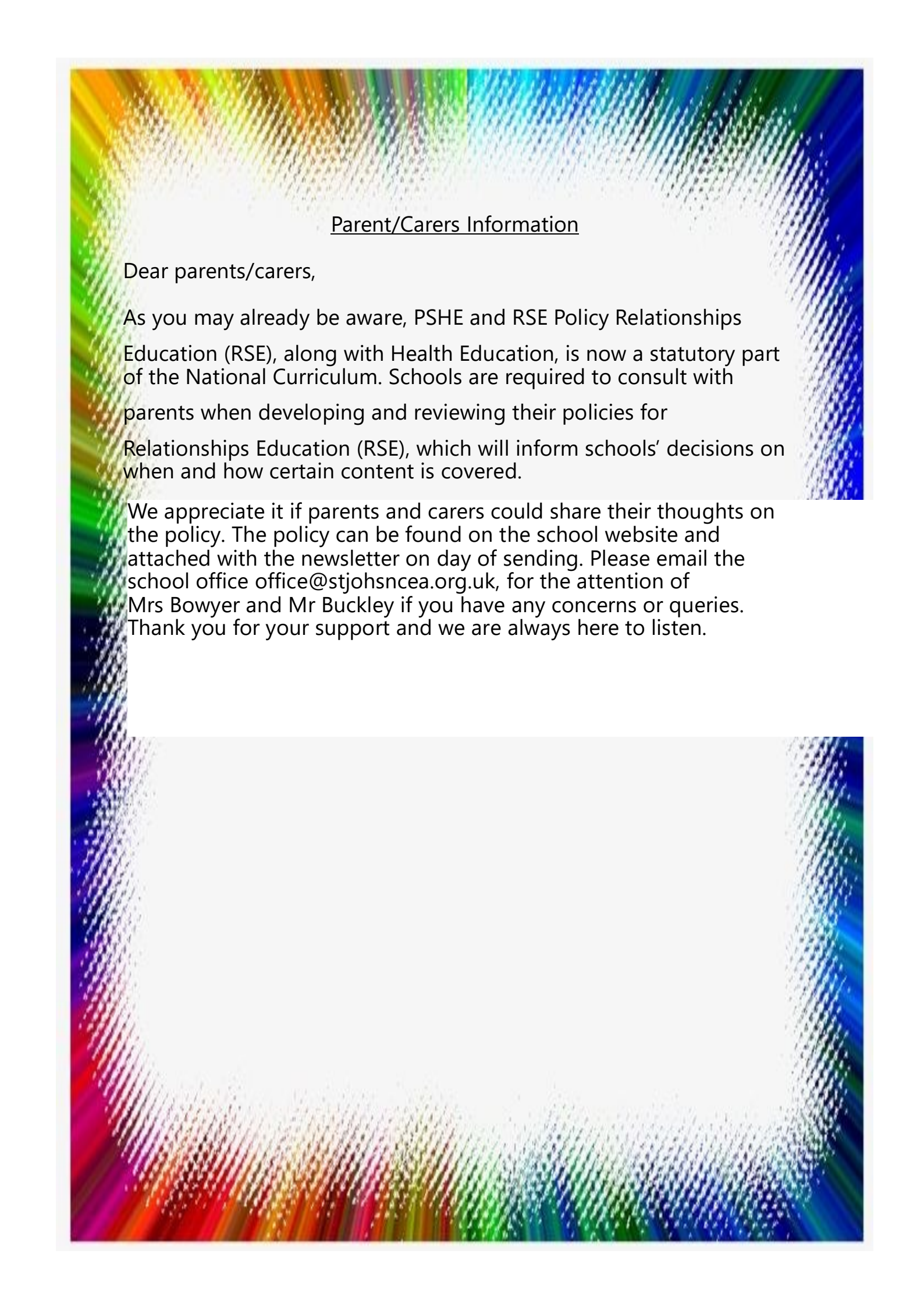
Monday 11th March 10.30am—Miss Miah and Year 4 class lead worship—5 Pillars of Islam. Class parents and carers welcome to attend.

Friday 22nd March 9.15am - Nursery and Reception classes lead worship with Miss Curxton, Mrs Hawkes and Miss Holland and the EYFS team. Class parents and carers are welcome to attend.

Friday 22nd March - Last day. School closes at 3pm

Monday 25th March to Friday 5th April—Easter holiday

Monday 8th April—school open to staff & pupils



Parent/Carers Information

Dear parents/carers,

As you may already be aware, PSHE and RSE Policy Relationships Education (RSE), along with Health Education, is now a statutory part of the National Curriculum. Schools are required to consult with parents when developing and reviewing their policies for Relationships Education (RSE), which will inform schools' decisions on when and how certain content is covered.

We appreciate it if parents and carers could share their thoughts on the policy. The policy can be found on the school website and attached with the newsletter on day of sending. Please email the school office office@stjohnscea.org.uk, for the attention of Mrs Bowyer and Mr Buckley if you have any concerns or queries. Thank you for your support and we are always here to listen.

