

The Early Bird

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'I have come in order that you might have life - Life in all its fullness.' John 10:10

Christmas Special

Dear Parents,

Thank you for all of your support over the Autumn term, and it's lovely to see the children perform and enjoy the Christmas dinner and parties today. Everyone looked very smart! A thank you to our staff team too, who pull much of it together behind the scenes.

Our theatre visit will be on Wednesday 7th January, so we have some wonderful things planned on Tuesday and right through the week. This is all part of our rich curriculum to expose our children to things we may not find on our doorstep. Miss Nickless has even arranged a zoom call with a real life marine biologist, to link with our little mermaid under the sea theme. This gives our children aspirations for life in the future, the beyond school.

Remember we start back to school on Tuesday 6th January 2026.
Door open at 8.30am.

Have a very Merry Christmas and I hope all get to feel the joy of Christmas over the break and you get to spend time with family and friends.



Mrs SM Bowyer

Headteacher



Prayer

Dear Heavenly Father, Thank You for letting us have wonderful people in our lives to celebrate with at Christmas time. We pray that you bless and keep our family and friends safe, warm and focused on you during this Christmas season. May Your Light shine upon us, so we may see your love, joy, grace, mercy and peace. Amen



Dedication - Courage - Joy

Christmas Activities

There has been lots of activities this week, finishing the week with a visit from santa & his reindeer

Singing at Springfield care home



Making cards



Making Christingles



Our Christingle Service



Christmas Dinner





JOY

You're invited to celebrate
Christmas with us at St John's

FAMILY CRIB SERVICE

24th December

3 pm

St John's Centre

MIDNIGHT COMMUNION

24th December

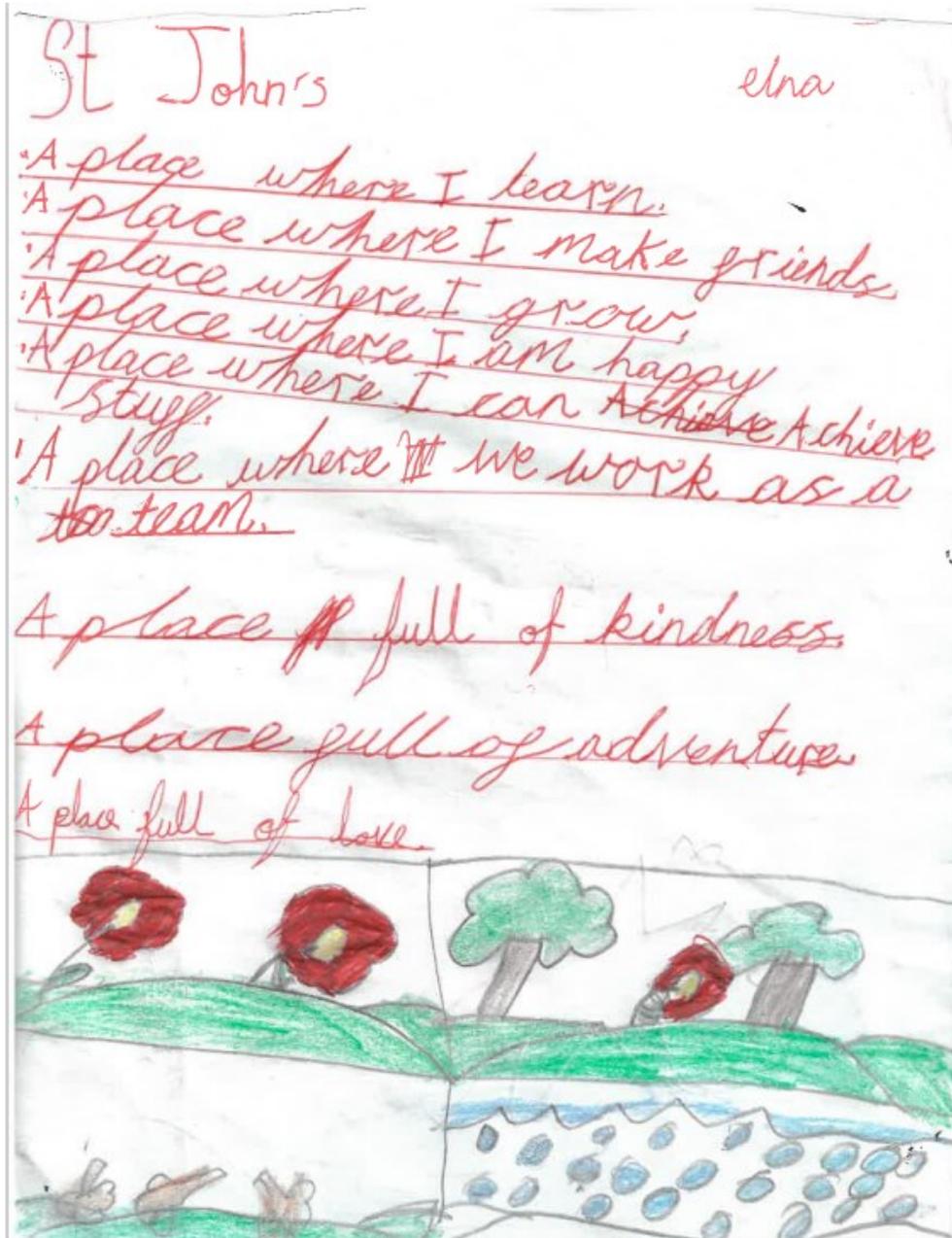
11:30pm

St John's Centre

 THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

Poems about St. John's

We are delighted to share that two of our Year 3/4 pupils have independently written their own poems at home. Their work reflects a wonderfully positive attitude towards school, and we commend their creativity, enthusiasm, and initiative.



St John's

- A place where I learn.
- A place where I make friends.
- A place where I grow.
- A place where I can have fun.
- A place where I feel safe.
- A place which is full of laughter.
- A place where is full of achievement.
- A place where we respect.
- A place full of dreams.



Savilya



Jear



FAMILY HUB FESTIVE FUN



Monday 22 December,

Chell Heath Family Hub, 10:00am - 11:30am
Abbey Hulton Family Hub, 10:00am - 11:30am
Normacot Family Hub, 1:00pm - 2:30pm

Tuesday 23 December,

Shelton Family Hub, 10:00am - 11:30am
Blurton Family Hub, 1:00pm - 2:30pm
Family Hub @ Hanley Market, 1:00pm - 2:30pm



No need to book, just pop
along and join us!

Enjoy snacks, crafts, music,
dancing and much more!

**HO-HO-HOPE TO SEE YOU
THERE**

Hope Church

'We'd love to see some folks at our Carol Service, which is this coming Sunday at 11am. There's a nativity play the kids are doing, a choir, traditional carols, festive treats. a short talk about Christmas and a small food pantry for those in need. We enter the school through the Newcastle Lane entrance. Happy Christmas and hope to see you there.

From your friends at Hope Church'



Hope Church, St. John's Primary School,
Newcastle Lane Entrance, Trent Vale, ST4 6SB

For more info contact Simon at **07790273890** or hopewhatson@gmail.com



All the staff at St. John's would like to wish our wonderful pupils, families and friends a very
Happy Christmas.

We hope your days are filled with warmth, laughter and special moments, and we wish you a peaceful and joyful 2026.



For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. -Isaiah 9:6