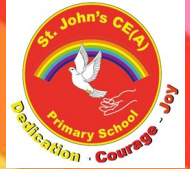


The Early Bird

Issue 20: Friday 16th January 2026



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

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year. It has certainly been an eventful start to the term, with snowfall, our theatre trip, and a visit from Ofsted all in the same week. Throughout it all, the children, our staff team, and you as families have shown wonderful support. Thank you to everyone who helped with the theatre trip, and an additional thank you to the team for managing so well in the snow.

We are grateful for the kind messages shared during the Ofsted visit, and we appreciate the time many of you took to complete the questionnaire. Your contribution is an important part of the inspection process. Following the usual quality assurance procedures, we expect the final report to be available towards the end of February.

The children have made an excellent start to the new term. Please continue to support their learning through regular home reading.

Enjoy the weekend. **Mrs SM Bowyer** Headteacher



2026

JANUARY

Thursday 22nd Y3-6 School Games Boccia Tournament (10am-12pm) @ Stoke College

Thursday 22nd - Y5-6 Football Tournament (4pm-6pm) @ Discovery Academy.

FEBRUARY

Tuesday 10th—Parents evening

Wednesday 11th- parents evening

Monday 16th to Friday 20th -Half term

Monday 23rd—school opens

Prayer

Heavenly Father, as we begin this school year, we pray for peace to surround every student, parent, and teacher. Fill classrooms with harmony and respect. May each child walk in with courage and walk out with joy, knowing they are safe in Your hands. Lord, let this beginning be filled with Your light and grace. Amen



Dedication - Courage - Joy



You're Invited!

ENCOUNTER CAFÉ

- **When:** Every Tuesday
- **Time:** 8.30am– 10:00am (after drop-off)
- Come along for a friendly chat, a hot drink, and a chance to:
 - Meet other parents and carers
 - Share ideas and experiences
 - Catch up on school news
 - Listen to invited speakers
 - Have fun doing Arts & Crafts

Everyone is welcome – even if you can only stay for a short while. Younger children are also welcome!

We look forward to seeing you there!



The Little Mermaid

The children loved seeing the little mermaid at the New Vic Theatre. It was lovely watching their faces. Here is some of the work completed throughout the school.



Mariam



Cairo

Comic Strip

Character Description

write a character description

Ariel is a beautiful mermaid who lives in the sea. She has long red hair and a blue top. She is very kind and loves to sing. She is also very brave and will do anything to be with Flounder. She has a green tail and a seashell for a nose. She is very happy and loves to play with her friends. She is also very smart and can read. She is a very special mermaid.

A SPLASH OF IMAGINATION

Friday 7th January 2025
By: Abale

The government of the United Kingdom are considering a new law to allow people to have a pet mermaid. This is a very good idea because it will help the government to understand the needs of the mermaids. It will also help the government to make sure that the mermaids are treated well. This is a very important law because it will help the government to make sure that the mermaids are treated well. This is a very important law because it will help the government to make sure that the mermaids are treated well.

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☆☆☆☆☆ 45 STARS

Abale



Year 6 clay work

Alexandra

Your NEW!!!

What a splash!

A child's dream comes to life! The show is a great way to see the mermaids and the sea. It is a very special show because it will help the government to understand the needs of the mermaids. It will also help the government to make sure that the mermaids are treated well. This is a very important law because it will help the government to make sure that the mermaids are treated well.

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Destiny



Snow Patrol at St. John's

A huge thank you to Mrs Hughes and many of the team for helping to prepare the school to open during the snowfall.



Mrs Groom
supervising!

Sadly the ice
beat us on one
of the days but
we hope you
did manage to
have some fun
in the snow at
home!



Family Hub



NEW!! SEND FAMILY GROUPS

A monthly support group for parents and carers of children and young people (age 0 -25 years) with special educational needs or disabilities. The groups are designed to offer support, helpful resources, professional advice, and a sense of community for families.

You can attend alone or bring your child(ren) along - activities will be available to keep young children entertained. Our groups provide a safe and welcoming environment where you can chat, ask questions, and connect with other families.

WHAT TO EXPECT

We welcome all parents and carers of children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) regardless of diagnosis. Attendance is completely free, and light refreshments will be provided.

**CHAMPIONING INCLUSION,
CELEBRATING DIVERSITY** 

WHERE AND WHEN

Our SEND Family Groups will take place monthly at the following family hubs. To discover the dates and times for your preferred hub, please visit our website at www.projectindi.org.uk/sendfamily or feel free to reach out to us.

- ♥ Bentlee Family Hub
- ♥ Chel Heath Family Hub
- ♥ Normacot Family Hub
- ♥ Shelton Family Hub



For more information or to book your place, feel free to contact us:

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