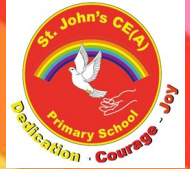


The Early Bird

Issue 21: Friday 30th January 2026



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

Dear Parents and Carers,

The half term seems to have flown. If we take a moment to celebrate the energy and enthusiasm from our staff and children. We have had visits from our school improvement lead, Mrs Johnstone this week and she sees the positive culture at St. John's and is proud of this, just as we are.

Part of our high aspirations and also raising awareness of careers, we have some Keele University pharmacy students visiting to raise health awareness, It's great for our children to see young adults in these roles, giving our children future dreams and what they may want to aim for as a career.

We do still have 2 full weeks left of a full programme of learning before half term so keep up those great routines and getting into school on time for a full day of learning.

Enjoy the weekend ahead.

Mrs SM Bowyer Headteacher



FEBRUARY

Monday 9th—Yr4 class assembly 9.30am. Parents & carers welcome

Tuesday 10th—Parents evening

Wednesday 11th- parents evening

Monday 16th to Friday 20th -Half term

Monday 23rd—school opens

MARCH

Thursday 5th—World Book Day (more information to follow)

Thursday 12th—Well being coffee morning

Monday 16th—Spirituality Day (more information to follow)

Monday 30th March to Friday 10th April—Easter holiday

April

Monday 13th April—school open

Prayer

Lord, we pray for world peace in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. We pray for countries to find diplomatic solutions that will bring harmony between nations. Amen



Dedication - Courage - Joy

Reminders

- ◆ The morning gate opens at 8:30 am and closes at 8:40 am. Any child arriving after the gate has closed will receive a late mark. Lessons start as soon as the children are in school.
- ◆ The afternoon gate will open at 3:09 pm and close at 3:15 pm. Parents and carers are asked to continue using the one-way system and not to use the exit gate around the school. *As the school day ends at 3:10 pm, please ensure you arrive on time or notify the school if you anticipate being late.*
- ◆ All absences must be reported by telephone (**please do not email**). Parents are asked to leave a message stating their child's name, class, and reason for absence. Please ensure this is done before 9:00 am.
- ◆ If your child has an appointment during the school day, parents/carers are asked to provide evidence of the appointment. If no evidence is seen the absence will be unauthorised
- ◆ Medical evidence (doctors appointment card/text, medication given) will be required if your child is absent for 3 consecutive days.
- ◆ If you have a leave of absence in term time you will receive a fine



We thank you for your continued support in these matters





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!



Wellbeing Coffee Morning

Please note that this is different from Encounter Café, but everyone is very welcome to attend.

COME ALONG FOR A POSITIVE START TO YOUR DAY!



- *Meet other parents*
- *Relaxing conversations*
- *Well-being advice and resources*

JOIN US FOR OUR NEXT
WELLBEING
COFFEE
MORNING
THURSDAY 12TH
MARCH
AT ST JOHN'S SCHOOL
8:30 AM- 10AM



JOIN US FOR A WARM DRINK, FRIENDLY CHAT, AND A FOCUS ON WELL-BEING!
WE'LL SHARE IDEAS ON SUPPORTING WELL-BEING—FOR OURSELVES AND OUR CHILDREN.

 **PLEASE FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK FOR REGULAR UPDATES**

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT MRS RAMSDEN OR MRS HILL

**T4S After-School Clubs & Wraparound
Monday – Friday, available until 6pm**

Children attending these clubs will develop skills in a range of fun and progressive sports and games, improving their agility, balance, co-ordination, and speed! They will also have opportunities to build confidence, make new friends, and strengthen their social skills through teamwork and group activities.

Taking part in a T4S after-school sports club will help your child achieve their recommended 60 minutes of exercise per day!

Make friends
Learn new skills
Stay healthy and active
Have fun
with Time4Sport!

time4wraparound  time4sport

Session options & prices

- 3.10pm – 4.30pm | After-School Club – £4.75
- 3.10pm – 6.00pm | After-School Club & Wraparound – £10.50
- 3.10pm – 6.00pm | After-School Club & Wraparound *with snack* – £11.50

Weekly activities

- Monday: Dodgeball / Benchball *or* Lego
- Tuesday: Gymnastics *or* Board Games
- Wednesday: Tag Games *or* Table Sports
- Thursday: Football *or* Crafty Creations

Friday: Multi-Sports *or* Fun Friday

To book:

<https://enrolmy.com/time-4-sport-uk-ltd/book-now/9-Wraparound-Childcare---St-Johns-CE-A-Primary-School>

Tax-Free Childcare

We're pleased to accept Tax-Free Childcare and childcare vouchers for all St John's after-school provision with Time4Sport. Simply select this payment option when booking and follow the guidance provided.

Please note this is a new booking system. Parents will need to register their child's full details before selecting clubs.

If you have any questions or need support, please contact our Administrator, Laura, on 01782 409 677 or email info@time4sportuk.com.