



St. John's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter 15 - 5th January 2024

Our values: In Christ we are: **Joyful** in our faith , **Aspirational** in our learning, **Confident** in being me, **Caring** in our hearts.

Taken from John 1:35-42 The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

As John stood with two of his disciples, Jesus passed, and John stared hard at him and said, "Look, there is the lamb of God." Hearing this, the two disciples followed Jesus. Jesus turned round, saw them following and said, "What do you want?" They answered, "Rabbi," - which means Teacher - "where do you live?" "Come and see," he replied; so they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him the rest of that day. It was about the tenth hour. One of these two who became followers of Jesus after hearing what John had said was Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter. Early next morning, Andrew met his brother and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" - which means the Christ - and he took Simon to Jesus. Jesus looked hard at him and said, "You are Simon son of John; you are to be called Cephas" - meaning Rock.

Stars of the week



Reception - Elora for bringing a great attitude, effort and perseverance to her learning.



Year 1 - Sofia for always being such a kind and helpful member of year 1.



Year 2 - Evie-Rose for her increasing confidence to participate in class discussions.



Year 3 - Ross for always coming into school with a positive attitude and a huge smile on his face :)



Year 4 - Oliver for remembering his letter formation even after a two-week break! Keep it up :)



Year 5 - Wynter for showing her excellent learning skills and being a great role model for the class.



Year 6 - Josh for his contributions in lessons, sharing some really good ideas and giving thoughtful answers. Keep it up!

Bronze Reading Award- 50 reads

Y3— Charlotte

Y5— Owen,

Silver Reading Awards— 75 reads

R— Ariana

Y1—Zakariya , Megaeichlern, Daniel

Y3—Bayley, James, Alex, Charles, Adam

Y4— Sienna

Y5—Antonia, Abbeygayle

Y6— Libby, Blanca,
Sophia, Rosmaria



Gold Reading Awards- 100 reads

Y5— Abbeygayle, Antonia

Attendance Award



Year 1—97%

Well Done!



Proud Work 04/01/24



YR — Zeph for continuing to develop his dragon mask (it's still not finished yet!)

Y1— Joshual for working really hard in our History lesson, sequencing the first moon landing!

Y2 — Megan for her amazing water poem

Y3— Olive for a fantastically written settling description.

Y4— Ziona for a thoughtfully designed printing tile.

Y6— Ollie, Libby, Rosmaria, Toby B and Cara for excellent group work when making a periscope in science.



St John's Uniform Shop—Now Open!

Please see Mrs Godden in the school office on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays morning to place your order for St John's school uniforms. You can also continue to use Taylor Made if you prefer. The Friends also sell good quality second hand uniform for a small donation.



Young Interpreters at St John's!

We are delighted to have so many fantastic KS2 Young Interpreters at St John's who speak all these languages between them: Polish, Ukrainian, Spanish, Lugandan, Romanian, Malayalam, Tagalog, Dari, Czech, Slovak, BSL and Telugu!

Each week they help their KS1 buddies to read in English.

Where possible we have matched up languages, so the Young Interpreters can translate when needed. They also help when new families with little or no English, arrive at St John's. Our Young Interpreters can translate when showing parents around, and help new children to settle in. Their role is vital in our multicultural school.





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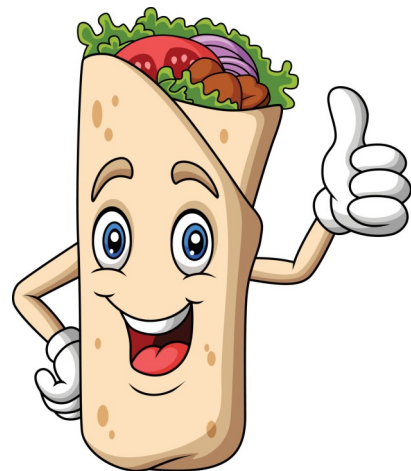
This half-term our focus language is Portuguese, as we have some Portuguese speakers in our school. Our children will all be learning a few words of Portuguese in class, and a little about the Portuguese culture. If any children or parents from Portugal would like to bring in any flags, souvenirs, traditional clothes, photos etc to show in class, please email the office or tell Mrs Curtis. We would love to learn more about the language and culture of Portugal! **Obrigada!**

Senhora Curtis

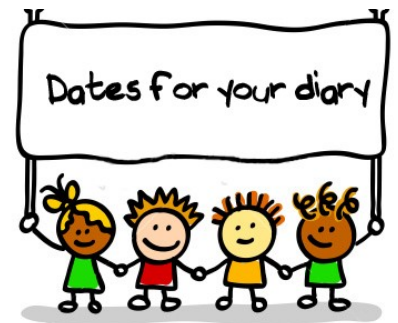
Year 5 DT: Food and Nutrition - Burritos!

This half-term, our DT focus is Food and Nutrition. On Tuesday 16th January, Year 5 will be tasting vegetarian Mexican burrito ingredients, as well as learning how to prep food. They will be making their own burritos at a later date. This links with their Americas topic this term.

- Tortillas (wheat or corn)
- Rice (different flavours)
- Tomatoes
- Red onions
- Cucumber
- Mixed beans or black beans
- Sweetcorn
- Guacamole
- Tomato salsa sauce
- Cheddar cheese
- Soured cream



Key Date: Deadline for Reception entry is 15th January.
Please apply directly via West Sussex County website. If there is any religious affiliation, please download the SIF from our website and return to the office.



Healthy Steps:

Why not take some healthy steps in the new year to help your family eat well in 2024. Perhaps you are worried about your family's sugar intake or are trying to eat healthily on a budget. Join thousands of other families who are enjoying the 8-week Healthy Steps email programme and we'll send you loads of low-cost, easy tips from nutrition experts and other families. You'll also get healthy swaps and tasty recipes on a budget.

[Healthy Steps - Step this way. \(betterhealth-healthierfamilies.co.uk\)](https://betterhealth-healthierfamilies.co.uk)



Friday January 19th

7.30-10.00pm

St Johns Church Hall

**3 Springfield Road, Horsham, West Sussex RH12
2PJ**

Tickets £6 each (Adults only)

What to expect:

- Free alcoholic/non-alcoholic drink per person (You may also bring your own)
- Free Bingo marker!
- Pizza delivery (Pre order with booking)
- Raffle (£1 per ticket purchased on the evening only)
- Bingo winner prizes

To book and pre order your pizza:

[Booking form](#)





Friends of St John's

Upcoming Events...

Next PTA Meeting

Thursday 11th January 7:30pm – All welcome!

Location: Shelly Arms pub Broadbridge heath



Our next Coffee morning at St Johns Church Hall

4th of February. Let us know if you can spare some time to volunteer or If you can bake or buy a delicious cake and donate to us, we would really appreciate it !



DISCO

KS1 & KS2 disco on Friday the 2nd of February poster and booking link will be out soon. if you can also help at the disco please let us know as this directly affect how many children can attend.

Bingo Night

FOSJ are hosting a Bingo night on Friday 19th January! 19:30-22:00 at St Johns Church Hall. 3 Springfield Road, Horsham, West Sussex RH12 2PJ. The entry fee for Bingo is just **£6.00 per person** which includes a free drink and a marker pen. Bring your own drink/glasses. (Alcohol is permitted) there is also an option of pre ordering a pizza from Monte forte. Booking link is now live we suggest booking ASAP to avoid disappointment as limited number of tickets available.

Horsham District Community Lottery

Please support Friends on St John's by entering the lottery. Support a good cause this month, and you could win a £1,000 Luxury Getaway - or just take the cash!

Gift Amnesty

Parents, staff and friends!

Can you help us raise funds for the school this year?

If you received any gifts at Christmas or on a birthday that aren't quite to your taste (or you got two of the same) we'd love any donations that can be used as prizes or at future events.

Where to drop them off

Please bring your donations to the school office

St John's Primary
School,
Blackbridge lane.

toys

Thank you!

books

giftsets

games



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