



St. John's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter 26– 28th March 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 20:1-9 Easter Sunday, Year B It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb,” she said, “and we don’t know where they have put him.” So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.



Wishing everyone a
very Happy Easter from
everyone at St John's!
We will look forward to
welcoming the children
back on Monday 15!



Spring/ Summer Term Diary Dates!



Monday 15 April: Back to school, no After School Clubs this week

Tuesday 16 April: 8:50am Class Photos— wear your smartest school uniform!

Thursday 18 April: 3:30pm PTA Movie Night

Monday 13 May: Y6 SATs week

Thursday 23 May: Crazy hair day! Break up for May half-term

Monday 3 June: Back to school, Y6 at PGL all week

Thursday 13 June: Y5 school trip

Friday 14 June: International Food Festival, First Holy Communions

Saturday 22 June: Summer Fair 12—3pm

Monday 17 June: Bikeability week

Wednesday 26 June: Y3 International morning with Arunside

Friday 5 July: PTA Family Festival picnic

Monday 22 July: Last day of term



On Wednesday 27th March children from Year Four and Year Six led us in our Stations of the Cross Liturgy.

Year Four read each station helping us understand what happened to Jesus as he was led to his death. Well done to all the children as they read so beautifully and clearly.

Year Six had produced wonderful art work to depict each station. Well done to those children too, the pictures were lovely!

Mrs Clough



Spotlight on the Adults at St John's



This week's adult in the spotlight is....**Miss Marrett!**

What is your job at St John's?	Year 3 teacher
What are your responsibilities in school?	I teach Year 3. I am Maths and History lead
Do you have a family or pets?	I have a big family—and a baby on the way! I also have a dog called Daisy
How long have you been at St John's?	This is my third year.
Why did you come to St John's?	When I walked around the school before I started, the children seemed so kind and the adults were very welcoming. I knew I must work here
How long have you been in education for?	For 10 years
How do you feel about your job?	I love it! Although, some days can be tricky
What is your favourite subject in school and why?	Maths—because there is always a right or wrong answer.
When you were little where did you grow up?	In Worthing
Who inspires you and why?	My mum and dad. My dad for always working hard in life, being a huge family member who helps 100s of people. My mum for raising us so well
What is your favourite food?	Pizza or chocolate
Do you have any hobbies?	Reading, running (and sleeping!)

Message from the Governors

It seems incredible that the end of the spring term is here already! Where has the time gone! So, I thought it would be a good time to update you



all on some of the business of the Governing Body. Bishop Richard has appointed two new Foundation Governors and we welcome Mr Joseph Kelly and Mr Robert Parkinson to the board. They have already been contributing at our meetings and I know that their skills will be an asset to the school. Also, we would like to extend a warm welcome to the new Parent Governor, Mr Chris Slevin. It now gives me great pleasure to say that for the first time in many years the Governing Body of St John's is at full strength.

Our new governors and some of our existing governors were present at the Diocesan Commissioning Mass for school governors, which this year was celebrated by Bishop Richard in St John's, Horsham. This was a great opportunity to meet other governors from around the diocese and to hear from Bishop Richard himself on his ideas for Catholic education moving forward as part of his Pastoral Plan.

As in previous terms, some of the governors were present at Parents Evening the other week and this was a great opportunity to meet and hear from the parents and carers of our pupils and indeed to talk to the children themselves. This is something we, as a governing board, are keen to continue as it means that we are not just faces on the school website! Again, as in previous years, we hope to support the Friends at the Summer Fair in their fundraising efforts for the school and its "wish list" to enhance the children's learning.

May I take this opportunity, on behalf of all the members of the Governing Board, to extend our warm wishes to you all for a happy and holy Easter. We hope you have an enjoyable break.

Lorraine Vinall

Chair

Chartwells Reminder that you can now book meals <https://app.parentpay.com/public/client/security/v2/#/login>



The cut off for the week of the 15th April is next Thursday on the 4th.

A huge thank you for all your donations last Friday, we raised an amazing £302.81!! This will go towards new reading resources for the school so we are very grateful!



Friends of St John's

We hope you all enjoyed the Easter activities and prizes. We have seen some lovely Easter Bonnets and amazing colouring.

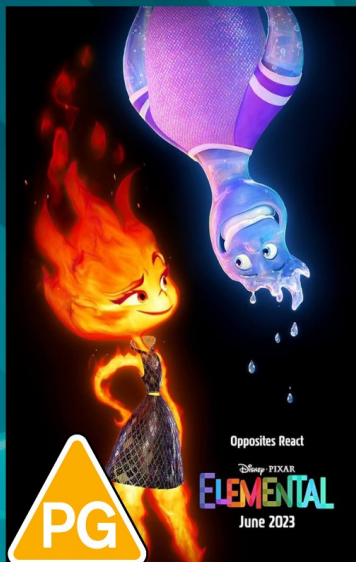


Again a big thank you to all the volunteers who have put together the activities, hampers, prizes and cut up the raffle tickets!

The next exciting event we have is straight after the Easter Holidays and is the **St John's Movie Night**. It is being held at the school on Thursday 18th April – 3.15-5.30pm and open to all year groups. Tickets are now on sale via the Friends website. Please note we have a limited number of tickets due to the low number of volunteers. If you can help for just 2 hours to enable more children to enjoy this event, please sign up and get 50% of your money back.
<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofstjohns>

Our next **PTA Meeting** is Monday 22nd April – 7.30-9.00pm – Venue at school. Please come along as we will be discussing the Summer Festival plans and we will need your help! Any ideas most welcome.

Wishing you all a Happy Easter!



MOVIE NIGHT AT ST JOHNS



**THURSDAY
18TH**

3.15-5.30

APRIL

PM

[TICKETS]
1 - £4
2 - £7
3 - £10

Limited amount of tickets

Popcorn & drink included
Extra : bring coins for sweet shop

**Please collect children from the main
hall doors**

volunteers needed (50% off tickets)

