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## St John's Community Primary School and Nursery



# Weekly Newsletter 23rd September 2016

Dear Parents,

Thank you to those of you that attended the curriculum evenings this week, they were very informative. Sadly, however, they were very poorly attended with only 2 or 3 parents attending in some classes. Whilst this information will be made available on the school website nothing can replace having the opportunity to meet your child's class teacher and having time to look at expectations for the year. These events take the teachers a great amount of time to prepare and plan for and they are a real opportunity to set the tone for the whole year. I do hope people will be able to support future events.

A big thank you to our Year 6 and Reception pupils who are looking after our school chickens daily. They are doing a great job of cleaning, feeding and watering them, not to mention egg collecting! Well done.

Please ensure you check the school website for current information about your child and their learning. As the classes are settling staff are updating their class pages with pictures, homework and more useful information, please do take the time to look at it and share it with your child.

Please be aware that it is school policy for children to drink water during the day whilst at school. Children are encouraged to bring water bottles into school daily but they must contain water only. If children bring juice or other liquids they will be encouraged to use the water fountains instead. At lunchtime children can bring juice or cordial to drink with their lunch. (no fizzy drinks though!) I know not all children would choose water but they get used to it very quickly when they are clear of the expectation. Thank you for your anticipated support with this.

### Dates for your Diary

#### <u>September</u>

29th—Harvest Festival

30th—Non Uniform Day for MacMillian Cancer Support

#### <u>October</u>

7th—9.00am Coffee Morning in After School Club Mobile

18th—School Photographs

24th— 28th - Half Term

31st—Children return to school

#### November

7th & 9th—Parents' Evening

16th—9.00am Coffee Morning in After School Club Mobile

24th & 25th—SJSA Christmas Shopping Event

#### December

3rd—SJSA Winter Wonderland

6th & 7th—KS1 Christmas Production

12th—Years 5 & 6 Christmas Party

13th—Years 3 & 4 Christmas Party

14th Years R, 1 & 2 Christmas Party

16th—Last day of Term

#### <u>January</u>

5th— Children return to school

9th— Children return to Nursery

Regards Mrs Quinn

## <u>Swimming</u>

<u>Year 5</u> will be swimming on <u>Monday 26th September</u> Please ensure your child has their swimming kit, including a hat, a towel and a suitable coat to walk to and from Broadland High School for these sessions.

## Non Uniform Day and Coffee Morning

## Friday 30th September

For a donation of  $\pounds$ 1.00 pupils will be able to wear casual clothes to school with all donations going to Macmillan Cancer Support.

Macmillian Coffee Morning 2016 is being held at Broadland Community Centre on Friday 30th September from 11.00am—1.00pm. If anyone would like to donate cakes/cookies etc. to this very worthy cause, then they can be brought to the school office on the morning of the event or brought to the event itself.

Thank-you in advance for your generosity, last years event raised over  $\pounds670$ .

## Scholastic Book Club

Please can all book orders be returned by <u>Friday 30th September</u> to the School Office with cheques made payable to **Scholastic Ltd**. PLEASE NOTE: payment is to be made by cheque or card only. <u>NO CASH</u> will be accepted. Thank you.

Please note: The publication of the new David Walliams book has been delayed until 8th November. Scholastic will send every child who places an order for the David Walliams book a free Tom Gates book as a gift, whilst they wait for the delivery as an apology for the delay.

Please would you be kind enough to send in food for the Harvest Festival by Tuesday 27th September.

Items will then be donated to the Norwich Food Bank.

Just a polite reminder that children should not be on the playground before 8.35am with or without adult supervision. A member of staff will be on duty from 8.35am. Also a reminder that there is no parking permitted on the school site at any time including after school when collecting from clubs. On certain nights there are several clubs and it is very dangerous when cars park on site for collection. The gate may not be closed but parking is not permitted!

Thank you for your understanding and support in keeping children safe on the school site.





