

# St. John's CE Infant and Nursery School Newsletter



Autumn term – Issue 6

15.10.21

## Message from Mrs Leggett

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is hard to believe that half term is nearly upon us, time has definitely been flying. This week it was lovely spending time in classes and seeing how settled all the children are and the progress they are making.

On Tuesday we were visited by Deborah Selley who came to talk to the children about her childhood. She came to England from Trinidad at the age of 6. The children really enjoyed listening to her stories and looking at the artefacts she brought in.

Mrs Thompson has been working hard over the past few weeks updating our school library with new books. We are often asked by parents how they can support us. We have created an Amazon wish list of books and resources to support reading. Thank you to the families who have kindly purchased books from the list. [https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/UU8E8O5S154T?ref=wl\\_s](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/UU8E8O5S154T?ref=wl_s)

I am looking forward to finding out who the Year 1 and Year 2 children's role models are next week when they hand in their Poppy Learning I Projects (PLIPs). Keep your eyes peeled as I will be sharing some of them in next week's newsletter.

Have a relaxing weekend

## School Value

This half term our school value is Friendship



Friendship

"Don't walk in front of me... I may not follow.  
Don't walk behind me... I may not lead. Walk  
beside me... just be my friend"

Albert Camus

## ★ Stars of the Week ★

Acorns	Camilla & Lucas
Beech	Zeke & Lincoln
Sycamore	Leah & Dolcie
Maple	Esme & Ciaran
Lilac	Penelope & Jessica
Willow	Oscar & Amber
Magnolia	Logan & Olivia Segal

Well done everyone, we are very proud of you!

## Attendance this week

Sycamore	93.6%
Beech	94.1%
Lilac	100%
Maple	95.2%
Magnolia	90.4%
Willow	97.1%

## Reminders for the upcoming week

- Wednesday & Thursday – Virtual Parents Evening
- Thursday – PLIP hand in day – Children are welcome to hand in from Monday.

## Parents Evening

Appointments for our upcoming parents evening are available now through the website, they will be running virtually via Microsoft Teams. Please make sure you take the time to book a slot with your child's class teacher to see how they have settled into their class.

## Meet Our Governors – Lauren Needleman

I have lived in Radlett for 23 years and am an experienced Marketing Director, having worked alongside some of the UK's biggest spending advertisers. I joined the Governing body of St John's in 2018 and have worked on the Development Committee as well as being a reading volunteer. This has given me great insight into the day to day running of the school and having seen it in action I am always so impressed by the warmth and kindness of both the staff and its pupils. It is a real privilege to both work with and be a part of the St John's family. As well as enjoying governorship and marketing I am also a qualified teacher and have always had a passion for working with children. I love their enthusiasm and thirst for knowledge and the St John's children display these qualities in spades! I have three young children of my own and alongside my work and governor responsibilities I can often be found out and about Radlett running around after them and being kept very busy! In my limited free time I am a passionate baker, health and wellness enthusiast and enjoy reading.



## Meeting Deborah

Deborah Selley join us to talk all about her home island of Trinidad. Deborah came to England when she was 6 to join her mother who worked as a nurse in England.

She told us magical stories about the island of Trinidad from waking up at 5:30am to the sound of cockerels and picking the best mangos to finding a snake in their outdoor lavatory!



## Poppy Learning I Project

The first project is due on 21<sup>st</sup> October. We look forward to sharing some of the PLIPs with you in the newsletter.



## Cow book



Our Cow book celebrates extra special work achieved in school.

**Well done to all these children for their fantastic work this week.**

**Ioannis - Beech**

## Contact with the school

If you need to contact either Mrs Leggett or Mrs Aharon please do it via [admin@stjohnsradlett.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@stjohnsradlett.herts.sch.uk)

If you would like to speak with your child's class teacher please make an appointment at the end of the day as they will have more to speak with you.

## Conversation starters

*Here are a few ideas of conversation starters that you can use to talk with your child about their week at school.*

*Tell me about Trinidad?  
What signs of autumn can we see?*

## Diary Dates

**New dates are indicated in red**

Date	Event	Year Group
18.10.21	Nasal Flu Immunisation	Reception, 1 & 2
20.10.21	Parents Evening	All
21.10.21		
21.10.21	PLIPs due in	Y1 & Y2
25.10.21	Half Term	All
03.11.21	Individual School Photos	All
22.11.21	Friendship Week	All
03.12.21	Occasional Day (school closed)	All
10.12.21	Reception Nativity (9:30 & 1:45)	Reception
16.12.21	Panto	Reception, 1 & 2
21.12.21	Last day of term	All