

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



Autumn term – Issue 7

22.10.21

## Message from Mrs Leggett

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's hard to believe that we have come to the end of our first half term. All the children and teachers have worked incredibly hard and are definitely ready to put their feet up and recharge their batteries.

Parent consultations took place this week, if you were unable to make your appointment, experienced technical difficulties or wish to discuss an issue further please contact the school office and we can arrange for the class teacher to call you.

This week the children handed in their Poppy Learning I Projects (PLIPs). Each one has made me smile, they are all so different and individual. We have also seen so much creativity in the presentation. The range of role models has been wonderful. We have seen footballers, conservationists, film and book characters, family members, key workers and Olympians. Many of the children have spoken about the perseverance, braveness, passion and kindness their role models have shown. I have included some of the PLIPs further on in the newsletter.

Thank you to Miss Field for organising a wonderful Empire Windrush Day today. To mark the day the children have all come in looking very smart. The children took part in a range of activities including boat making, passport writing, re-enacting, reflecting and fruit tasting.

Have a safe and restful break and I look forward to seeing you all on Monday 1st November.

## School Value

This half term our school value is Friendship



Friendship

A real friend is one who walks in when the rest of the world walks out.

**Walter Winchell**

## ★ Stars of the Week ★

Acorns	Eva & Jack
Beech	Lara & Teddy
Sycamore	Bobby & Max S
Maple	Ingrid & David
Lilac	Poppy & Bethany
Willow	Ethan & Leo
Magnolia	Sienna & Marley

Well done everyone, we are very proud of you!

## Attendance this week

Sycamore	93.9%
Beech	95.6%
Lilac	97.6%
Maple	94.8%
Magnolia	88.8%
Willow	99.6%

## Reminders for the upcoming week

Next week is half term – school closed

## Amazon wish list link

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. If you would like to purchase a book please use the link below.

[https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/UU8E8O5S154T?ref=wl\\_s](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/UU8E8O5S154T?ref=wl_s)

# Meet Our Governors

My name is Shameel Ahmed and I am new to the St John's Governing Board. I am a Chartered Accountant by trade having read Economics at University of Nottingham and Financial Strategy at the University of Oxford. I currently work as Head of Financial Analysis at Community Fibre who aim to provide digital connectivity to underserved communities across London. I am excited to be part of the Governing Board and hope to build on the good work done by the existing leadership and governing team. Outside of work, I am an avid football fan and player and a father to a 1 year old!



## Online Safety News

Some of you may be aware of the NetFlix show Squid Games. It has been brought to our attention that its popularity is beginning to spread across various online platforms. Please take time to visit the link below and be aware of younger children seeing the contact via older siblings.

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/wakeupwednesday/squid-game-trending-across-platforms-what-parents-need-to-know>



## Empire Windrush Day



soka music



tasting



dancing



experience



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Coming to England

## Playground Pal Assembly

Our Playground Pals, Miss Cook and Mrs Perry led an assembly this week about how to be a good friend at lunch time. The pals also confidently explained to the school how to look after the playground equipment.



## Poppy Appeal

After half term, School Council will be selling poppies and a range of other items to raise money for The Royal British Legion. Money can be brought in from Tuesday 2nd November. Poppies will be available at the school gate. The suggested donation for a poppy to wear is 50p but feel free to give what you can afford.

We will be holding a whole school act of remembrance on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November.



## 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 the boat trip to England.  
What did the mangoes taste like?*

## Diary Dates

New dates are indicated in red

Date	Event	Year Group
25.10.21	Half Term	All
04.11.21	Diwali Immersion Afternoon	All
03.11.21	Individual School Photos	All
10.11.21	Village war memorial walk	Year 2
12.11.21	WW1 Immersion Day	Year 2
19.11.21	Children in Need	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
15.12.21	Nasal Flu	Mop up for those who missed the previous slot
16.12.21	Panto	Reception, 1 & 2
21.12.21	Last day of term	All
05.01.22	INSET DAY	All
06.01.22	First day of spring term	All
31.01.22	Child mental health week	All
14.02.22	Half term	All



# Poppy Learning | Projects (PLIPS)



## Who is your role model?



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