

St. John's CE Infant and Nursery School Newsletter



Autumn term – Issue 8

05.11.21

Message from Mrs Leggett

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back, I hope you enjoyed a peaceful half term break.

We are sad to announce that Mrs Mitchley, our Finance Assistant, left us at the end of last half term. She has been a dedicated and valuable member of the team who will be greatly missed, we wish all the best as she moves onto her next chapter. We welcome Mrs Kern who has joined as our new Finance Assistant.

This half term Mrs Gillam has been seconded to work 2 days a week as acting Deputy at Shenley Primary School whilst the current deputy is Acting Headteacher. She will be at St John's on a Monday each week and at Fair Field on a Thursday. I am sure you will join me in wishing her the best of luck in this new challenge!

Our school council have done a wonderful job this week selling poppies to raise money for The Royal British Legion. They will continue to sell them before and after school next week ahead of our remembrance assembly on Thursday.

This week the new PLIP was introduced to the children. The focus this term is the environment. There is a choice of activities and the children need to pick just one. More information can be found on Google Classroom. We had some amazing work last term and I am very excited to see what the children produce this time.

Following guidance from Herts County Council we are asking all adults to wear masks when they are on the school site. A number of local schools are experiencing COVID outbreaks at the moment. We continue to follow our safety measures but ask for your support in wearing a mask during drop off and pick up.

If you are enjoying fireworks tonight, have a lovely evening and keep safe.

School Value

This half term our school value is Patience



Patience

Whoever is patient has great understanding, but one who is quick-tempered displays folly.
Proverbs 14:29

★ Stars of the Week ★

Acorn	Treyvon & Ruby
Beech	Ioannis & Kian
Sycamore	Violet & Ryan
Maple	Rian & Darcey
Lilac	Noah & Harrison P
Willow	Amanda & George
Magnolia	Matias & Danya

Well done everyone, we are very proud of you!

Attendance this week

Sycamore	92.5%
Beech	98.9%
Lilac	96.6%
Maple	96.8%
Magnolia	89.9%
Willow	95.8%



Cow book



Our Cow book celebrates extra special work achieved in school.
Well done to all these children for their fantastic work this week.

Elsie & Teddy – Maple
Aoife - Lilac

Meet Our Governors

The Rev'd. Oliver Blease, Vicar of Radlett. Oliver was licensed and installed as Vicar of Christ Church & St. John's, Radlett, in July.

Oliver was born in Cheshire and studied Law at the University of Leicester before working in the civil service in Melbourne, Australia, where he had enjoyed a Year Abroad during his studies. Whilst volunteering at church he had begun to discern his call to ministry and on returning to the UK in 2013 he was encouraged to explore this further. Oliver trained for ministry at Ripon College Cuddesdon where he studied theology at the University of Oxford, and was ordained deacon and subsequently priest at Salisbury Cathedral. Before coming to Radlett Oliver was at St. Bartholomew & All Saints Church, Royal Wootton Bassett, where he very much enjoyed working alongside both the primary and secondary schools. Oliver has recently completed an MA in theology, mission, and ministry with Durham University and delights in education and research, joyful services of worship, and has a focus on pastoral care for the whole community. Oliver is married to Mariama who runs an educational charity as part of a City Livery Company, and works part-time as a priest with St. James's Church, Piccadilly. Together they enjoy country walking, visiting friends, the theatre, and a good crime drama.



Diwali

This week we celebrated Diwali. We were very lucky to have Mrs Guru come in to talk to us about Diwali. She told us the story of Rama and Sita using puppets and showed us some beautiful rangoli patterns. Reception also made Diya Lamps to celebrate Diwali. They all went into the hall to light them. They also watched some fireworks and did some dancing to celebrate.



Poppy Learning I Project

The new project is due on 9TH December. We look forward to sharing some of the PLIPs with you in the newsletter. You will find more information on Google Classroom.

Which I project will you pick this term?

Inspire – people to reduce, reuse and recycle or write about an inspirational advocate

Investigate – learn more about reusable energy sources or how we can make a difference

Imagine – what our world will look like if we don't look after it.

Identify – How we are harming or how we can help our environment.

Illustrate – our beautiful world

Invent – a gadget or device to support looking after the environment

Flames and Marshmallows in Nursery



Acorn class celebrated Bonfire Night with a real fire and toasted marshmallows. They loved listening to the crackling, whizzing and popping of the flames.

Reminders for the upcoming week

Wednesday – Year 2 war memorial walk

Thursday – Remembrance Assembly

Friday – year 2 WW1 Immersion Day – don't forget to dress up

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 Diwali

Which festival is your favourite?

Contact with the school

If you need to contact either Mrs Leggett or Mrs Aharon please do it via admin@stjohnsradlett.herts.sch.uk
The school admin address is checked daily and we will try to get back to you if a response is needed within 24 hours. 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.

Free Reading App
Message from Mrs Thompson



Children in Need

As you may already know, Friday 19th November is BBC Children in Need Day. Our school is excited to be joining with many others around the UK to participate in the fundraising.

You can help us make a memorable event by donating a minimum of £1, for your child to come to school dressed in something thing spotty and/or something yellow. This could be a jumper, hairband or socks. We are aiming to raise even more money this year to support disadvantaged young people across the UK. Let's make a big difference to the lives of children across the UK.



Diary Dates

New dates are indicated in red

Date	Event	Year Group
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