

St. John's and St. Clement's



School Values: *Aspiration, Resilience, Creativity, Community, Kindness*



Autumn Term 2019 – Newsletter 7

This Week's News...

It was great to see so many of you at parents' evening last week. Thank you for all the wonderful feedback and your ongoing support and collaboration.

On Friday some of our Y5s set off for a week experiencing life working on a farm, they are having a fantastic time, please check out our Twitter feed to see the latest updates.

Next week is Anti-bullying week, and as part of this we are asking everyone to join together to celebrate our differences by wearing odd socks on Thursday.

It is also Children in Need next week, which gives us the chance to show how each person can make a difference and support others- we will be asking children to wear something spotty and their own clothes on Friday.

The next newsletter will be on Friday 15th November where there will be updates on our library project and the work we are doing in wellbeing.

Best wishes,

Mr Bell and Miss Crank



Next week is **Anti-Bullying Week**. We believe that it is important to teach the children about what bullying is, what they should do in the event that they witness it or are a victim, as well as explicitly teaching children how bullying the impact of bullying. We want the children to leave SJSC as confident young people, able to thrive and deal with challenges presented to them. We aim to create and share empowering, positive messages addressing the fact that when it comes to bullying **CHANGE STARTS WITH US!**

On **Thursday 14th November** we will be holding an **Odd Socks Day** to mark Anti-bullying week. Please come to school with odd socks that day and there will lots of other activities throughout the week to develop understanding on this important topic.



Next Friday is **Children in Need 2019**. The children can all wear something spotty and their own clothes to mark the occasion and donate £1 to the charity.

Diary Dates

Fri 1st to Fri 8th November –Farm Trip

Year 5 Farm School Journey

Tues 5th November @ 9:10 – Parent Café

Phonics Masterclass - What is phonics?

(Aimed at EYFS, Y1)

Tues 12th November

Class Photographs – remember to wear school jumpers and cardigans.

Thursday 14th November

Odd socks day- Anti bullying week.

Friday 15th November

Children in Need – Wear something spotty

Mon 18th to Fri 22nd November - PGL

Year 6 PGL School Journey

19th November @ 9:10 – Parent Cafe

Building Resilience by Educational Psychologist Pascale Mather.

Friday 22nd November

9:10am Y5 Farm Assembly – parents welcome

Friday 29th November

3.30pm SJSC PTFA Christmas Fair – save the date!

Tues 3rd December

Flu vaccinations for children in Reception to Y6

Friday 6th December

9.10am Year 6 PGL assembly for parents

Mon 9th December

Year 4 visit to Tate Britain

Thursday 12th December

6pm Key Stage 2 Carol Service

Tuesday 17th December – Christmas Dinner

Wednesday 18th December

2pm Y1/2 Nativity Performance for Parents

Thursday 19th December

2pm Reception Nativity Performance for Parents

Friday 20th December

9.30am Endo of term service at St John the Evangelist.
Last day of term

Exciting learning this term

By now you will have seen our curriculum newsletters for this half term. We have high aspirations for our children's learning and also the citizens they will become, for example: Year 2 are becoming Eco Warriors and learning about how they have the power to have a positive impact in the world. Year 4 have been commissioned by Bear Grylls to plan his next exploration mission to Antarctica by learning about Shackleton's famous journey and more about the geography of the planet. Year 6 are starting their powerful learning around the topic of immigration and community by studying the thought provoking text 'The Arrival'.

Year 6 Orienteering event



Year 6 enjoyed a session of Orienteering in Dulwich Park where they developed their map reading, collaboration skills as well as physical fitness and enjoying the outdoors.

Stars of the week

Each week, every class chooses two children to be stars of the week, it can be linked to one of our values, learning or simply for being a star!



From the PTFA...

Hello everyone, the Christmas Fair is fast approaching! This year we're trying something new and holding our fair after school on Friday 29th November. We're hoping this will make it easier for as many people as possible to come and join in the fun! It will start at 3:30pm and run until 6:30pm. There'll be mulled wine, mince pies, festive musical performances and lots of lovely Christmassy stalls to browse.

Please keep an eye out for emails from your year reps, who will be getting in touch soon to ask for your support in setting up, running and clearing away the stalls – your help is so valuable: we can't do it without you!

Some parents have enquired about private stalls, we are very happy to have some of these where they don't compete with those run by the PTFA (i.e. where we won't lose money for the PTFA funds!!) please get in touch if you think you've got a good idea - and thank you!

In addition: an order form for CHRISTMAS TREES from the PTFA will be going out in the children's book bags soon – they are fantastic trees, great value and make some money for the PTFA, if you'd be getting a tree for Christmas anyway do please consider ordering one with us!

And while we're talking about these fantastic trees, we will need some help to hand them out on the 7th Dec. We're planning on 1-3pm from the school entrance on Amott Rd, again your help is invaluable.

Thank you so much in advance for your support,
Chloe, Rosie, Leah, Catherine, Karl, Nathalie (PTFA)