

St. John's and St. Clement's



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



Spring Term 2020 – Newsletter 6

This Week's News...

It has been a wonderful week of learning and excitement to end the half term with.

Pascale Mather, the school's educational psychologist, gave a very informative parent café talk on positive behaviour strategies.

We celebrated Safer Internet Day on Tuesday, and continued to learn how to keep ourselves safe online throughout the week.

Year 5's performance of The Tempest was well received, by the school on Wednesday, and by the parents who came to watch on Thursday.

It was great to have a maths show to inspire us to get excited about the wonderful world of numbers and calculations on Thursday morning.

And we seem to have had a lot of different characters turning up to school this week with our Year 2 'Dress up as your hero day', and Year 3's Ancient Rome time travel experience.

You may remember in the Autumn term that everybody in our school planted a bulb in the playground. It was a great way to come together, as a community, to bring life to the outdoor area. Look out for the first signs of daffodils and crocuses as Spring begins to arrive!



Have a great half term
Mr Bell and Miss Crank

Our 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!



Diary Dates

Monday 24th February

School returning from half term

Friday 28th February

Y1 Trip to the Natural History Museum

Tuesday 3rd and Wednesday 4th March

Parents' Evenings

Tuesday 17th March

School Photographs

Wednesday 18th March

Voice in a Million at Wembley Arena

Wednesday 1st April

Walker Class - Pete Letanka Jazz Project

Thursday 2nd April

9.30am End of Term Service at St John's Church – all welcome

Friday 3rd April

Last day of term

Friday 8th May

Bank holiday – school closed



Last Friday we celebrated National Number Day to help raise money for the NSPCC. Thank you to everyone who took part; we raised a wonderful £160.04, learned about historical mathematical figures and enjoyed a day of maths fun!

Year 5 Tempest Performance

A huge well done goes to year 5 this week, for their fantastic performance of The Tempest.

At the beginning of the half term, the year group were commissioned by the Royal Shakespeare Company to put on their own version of the play. They have spent the past few weeks learning about Shakespearean theatre, understanding the concepts and characters, and writing their own scripts and songs.

It was a fantastic performance that they should all be proud of! Bravo!



Outstanding Payments

At SJSC, it is really important the children are able to enjoy exciting trips. However, trips do cost money and we often ask for contributions from parents to help meet the cost and allow us to run as many trips as we do. Please can all families check on ParentMail and clear any outstanding balances. Thank you for your help with this.

Safer Internet Day

This Safer Internet Day children have been encouraged to think about identity online, looking at how the internet shapes how they think of themselves and others.

There have been assemblies and lessons throughout the week exploring the theme 'Free to be'.

There are parent and carer resource packs available at: saferinternet.org.uk/sid-parents

And there are also top tips, a quiz and films which you can use at home with your child.

Some other resources which you may find helpful in supporting your child online are:

- Advice for parents and carers from [Childnet](https://www.childnet.co.uk)
- Tips, advice and guides for parents and carers from the [UK Safer Internet Centre](https://www.saferinternet.org.uk)
- Guides on popular apps and games from [NetAware](https://www.netaware.com)
- Reviews and information about games, apps, TV shows and websites from [Common Sense Media](https://www.common-sense-media.com)
- Help on using parental controls and privacy settings from [Internet Matters](https://www.internetmatters.org)
- Information and reporting of online grooming or abuse from [CEOP](https://www.ceop.gov.uk)

Online safety is an important issue which as a school we're committed to teaching our children about.

Maths Shows

On Thursday, Quantum Theatre performed 'The Calculating Mr One'. This engaging show explored place value and the four mathematical functions presented as a Sherlock Holmes style comedy mystery.

The production was enjoyed by all, and was a great opportunity to see how maths is part of everyday life!



Half Term Holiday Camp

This half term Magna, our extended school provider are running a holiday camp at the school. Please see the flier or their website for details.

<https://www.magnagroups.com>

Parent Café

Thank you to Pascale for a great talk on positive behaviour strategies -with lots of helpful tips to support our children to regulate their emotions. Slides will be available on our website.



Y2 Heroes Day

In Year two they have been exploring the theme of 'Fear vs Bravery' this half term. During their learning, they have read texts containing brave characters and found out about some aspirational real-life heroes throughout history.

On Thursday, the children came dressed as someone who is a hero to them. We had a variety of inspirational people attending school that day from Albert Einstein, Amelia Earhart, Suffragettes, astronauts, as well as parents who were also chosen as people to look up to!



Y3 Roman Day

At the beginning of the half term Year 3 were given the challenge of learning all about Ancient Rome in order to be able to travel back in time and spend a day in Ancient Rome undetected!

Over the past few weeks, the children have become archaeologists and learnt about the disaster at Pompeii, life as a roman soldier and details of life as an everyday roman citizen.

Today, the children went back in time and spent the day preparing a feast for the emperor, including making Roman bread with a visit from Boudica!



Making erupting papier mâché Vesuvius models in art ...



Class Assemblies

Date	Class	Date	Class
Friday 13th March	Stowasser Class	Friday 12th June	Walker Class
Friday 20th March	Van Gogh Class	Friday 19th June	Kandinsky Class
Friday 27th March	Kusama Class	Friday 26th June	Stik Class
Friday 3rd April	Lichtenstein Class	Friday 3rd July	Monet
		Friday 10th July	O'Keefe Class

** Year 6 will perform a show in the summer term