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Respect, Hope, Friendship and Forgiveness.

Newsletter Autumn Term

Friday 6th October 2023



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, some of our Year 2 children had a special treat from a musician, who, shared with them different instruments from an orchestra and how to make different notes on them. They had a fun afternoon and have been invited at the end of November to watch an orchestra live in concert at Dewsbury Town Hall. Don't forget if you would like your child to learn how to play a musical instrument then please see the details of the flyer sent via Class Dojo last week. Children across school have enjoyed learning many different styles of new music and we look forward to each class performing in school during Act of Worship over the next few weeks. Children's hard work from across the curriculum are starting to appear around school now. We are really proud of all their efforts and achievements so far this term.

This week we have also welcomed Miss Heeley into school as our new Catering Manager. Welcome, and we look forward to tasting your lovely meals over the weeks and months.

Mr Blackburn.

Sponsored Walk:

On **Sunday 15th October**, many of the staff at St John's are doing a sponsored walk from Saltaire to Leeds, which is around 12 miles. This is a sponsored event and all funds raised will go towards playground equipment for the children. The more we raise, the more the children will benefit. Please sponsor us by donating through the Just Giving page using the following link:

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/stjohnsdewsbury>

Alternatively, if you can, please bring cash to the office!

Dates for your diaries:

Individual School
Photos – Friday 20th
October

Shoobox Launch Day
– Monday 23rd
October

Harvest Festival –
Tuesday 24th
October (pm)

School Closes –
Thursday 26th
October

Inset Day – Friday
27th October (School
Closed to Children)

School Reopens –
Monday 6th
November

School Closes –
Thursday 21st
December

School Reopens –
Monday 8th January

PTA:

With school budgets being really tight at the moment, the hard work of a PTA (Parent and Teacher Association) is even more vital. We are always looking for new members and people to volunteer their time to help school to raise funds. Mr Blackburn will be meeting on **Tuesday 24th October** at **9am** and hope you can join the other PTA members for a drink, biscuits and catch up to help plan for the Christmas Fayre. We really need your help so please do come along.



Parent Governor:

We are still looking for a Parent Governor to join our Governing Body. If you think you might be interested, please see the post on Class Dojo previously and contact the school office before Tuesday.

Deputy Headteacher Post:

Our long serving and well-respected Deputy Headteacher, Mrs Missett, has made the difficult decision to take early retirement from April 2024. Whilst this is a long time off yet and we are certainly not saying our goodbyes just yet, Mr Blackburn wanted to inform you of Mrs Missett's decision as within the next week an advert will be published on the Kirklees website to start our search for a new Deputy Headteacher.



St John's Stars



	Didam
	Mishaal-Fatima
	Aryaan
	Anaya
	Reta j
	Jibraan
	Amelia



Weekly Attendance

	92%
	96%
	93%
	95%
	96%
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