

<u>Newsletter Autumn Term</u>

Friday 11th October 2024

Dear all,

As you have been made aware this week, on Wednesday, we had a visit from Yvette Sullivan, a SIAMs inspector. SIAMs is a professional body who work on behalf of the Diocese to inspect the quality of education in Church of England schools. Just like with Ofsted, we had so many positive things to share. Thank you to all the parents, carers and governors who also showed their support for us as a school and voiced their opinions. Many of you shared some lovely comments. Thank you! Once the Ofsted and SIAMs reports have been published, I will let you know and provide copies of them via ClassDojo. Well done to all the staff and children in school, who have worked hard as usual all week long.

Have a well deserved, enjoyable weekend everyone.

Best wishes, Mr Blackburn.

Attendance:

At the start of the term, I wrote to you regarding the changes nationally for attendance. I would like to draw your attention once again to the following points:

- Your child should be in school unless they have sickness and diarrhoea (48 hours) or are really not well enough to walk to school. We are a very nurturing and caring school so of course if your child comes to school and is really not well then we would send them home. Many children come round once they are out of the house and socialising with their peers.
- Your child should only be taken out of school for emergency appointments.
- Holidays will not be authorised and will result in a fine, which we have done now for the last year.
- Your child should be in school by 8.50am at the latest each day.
- School will work with attendance officers if your child is a Persistent Absentee (less than 90%). This also may result in legal action been taken by the council. You have the legal duty to make sure your child attends school.
- If your child is off school for long periods of time or frequently take odd days off then they also suffer emotionally as well as academically.
- In line with other schools, we will be strictly following DfE guidance and taking swift action to address attendance that is a concern.

<u>Dates for your</u> diaries:

School Closes -Thursday 24th October

School Reopens – Monday 4th November

School Closes – Friday 20th December

School Reopens – Monday 6th January

School Closes – Friday 14th February

School Reopens – Monday 24th February

School Closes – Thursday 3rd April

School Reopens – Tuesday 22nd April

School Closes – Friday 23rd May

School Reopens – Monday 2nd June

School Closes – Friday 18th July



<u>Parent's Evening:</u>

Parent's Evening is filling up fast. If you are still yet to book please do not hesitate to contact Miss Stanley in the office. There are limited slots left so please book in as soon as possible. Parent's Evening is on Tuesday 22^{nd} and Wednesday 23^{nd} October.





Individual Photo:

On **Friday 18th October**, photographers will be in school to take your child's individual class photo. Full school uniform must be worn. Please ensure your child doesn't wear their PE kit on this day. Full uniform consists of a navy blue jumper/cardigan, white polo shirt, dark trousers/skirt and dark coloured shoes.

INSET Day:

Just a reminder that school closes to pupils on **Thursday 24**th **October** due to an INSET day on Friday 25th October. We will reopen on **Monday 4**th **November** after the half term break.



St John's Stars



Talha
Arhaan
<mark>Zayaan</mark>
Khaddar
Angel
Yusuf
Abdul
Sumayyah



Weekly Attendance

96%
95%
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