

Newsletter Spring Term Friday 28th March 2025



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have been thinking about loved ones we can trust, ahead of Mother's Day on Sunday. Church group have chosen a poem, written a prayer and we have created a recording of the whole school singing to wish all our Mothers and other loved ones a very Happy Mother's Day! The children want to thank you for all you do for them throughout the year. Mothering Sunday occurs in the run up to Easter, Lent. Thank you to all the Reception parents who attended the Mother's Day session in school on Thursday and all those who donated money to let children buy gifts from the Mother's Day shop.

The Year 5 children this week visited Dewsbury Minster to study an Easter journey and learn more about the Easter Story. Thank you to Reverend Caroline and Reverend Neil for having us. Other children will be learning about Easter or going on an Easter journey in school next week.

Attendance this week was 93.8%. A reminder that we are aiming for at least 96%.

Next week, many members of our school community will be celebrating Eid. We wish all celebrating and their families have a very special time together and create lovely memories to last forever.

Warmest wishes, Mr Blackburn.

<u>Uniform and Jewellery</u>

Please can we remind you about our uniform policy. Whilst it is not compulsory and we allow branded or non-branded uniform, we do kindly request that you stick to the colours. This means dark trousers/skirts, white polo t-shirt and navy blue jumper/cardigan. All children should be wearing dark shoes or trainers but they should be plain dark footwear.

Also, only one pair of studded earrings and a watch (preferably not a smartwatch) are allowed in school. Children should not be coming into school for health and safety reasons as well as for good learning behaviour with other items such as bracelets and necklaces. Some children are also wearing extra large headbands, which again are not practical and suitable for school.

We have high aspirations and therefore expectations of our children and the smarter they are, the harder they will work and be the best they can be. As parents and carers, please help us by following the uniform policy.

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

Easter Egg Raffle

- tickets on sale
CARD ONLY in
the office until 2nd
April see
ClassDojo for
details –
EXTENDED DATE

School Closes – Thursday 3rd April

School Reopens – Tuesday 22nd April

School Closed -Bank Holiday Monday 5th May

School Closes – Friday 23rd May

School Reopens – Monday 2nd June

School Closes – Friday 18th July



Religious Observance:

Many families will soon be celebrating Eid. Can we please remind you that **the policy states up to 3 days only in an academic year will be authorised for religious observance but only 2 consecutive days can be taken together**. Please consider this in your preparations for celebrating the big day with family and friends.

Please let the office know which days your child will be taking for religious observance.

<u>Easter Raffle:</u>

The staff of St John's have kindly donated some Easter eggs! We will be raffling these in the last week of term, in time for Easter. One strip of tickets = £3. Please note this is via CARD ONLY from the office. Tickets on sale until Wednesday 2^{nd} April.



School Holidays:

Just a reminder that we break up for the Easter holiday on Thursday 3^{rd} April and will reopen on Tuesday 22^{rd} April. School doors open at 8.40am and close at 8.50am.

<u>ParentPay:</u>

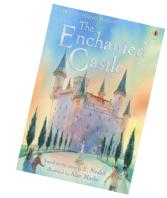
Many messages have been posted over the last couple of weeks regarding ParentPay debt. Please ensure these debts are cleared today. Please ensure you check ParentPay regularly to keep on top of these payments. Thank you for your support in this matter.

<u>St John's Reading Recommendation:</u>

The Enchanted Castle – By Edith Nesbitt

It's magical!

By Maya-Lamise – Green Class



Reminder



St John's Stars



Haniya N
Ruqaya
Eesa
Hanzala
Alanna
Retaj
Zahra N
Raheel



Weekly Attendance

92%
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