

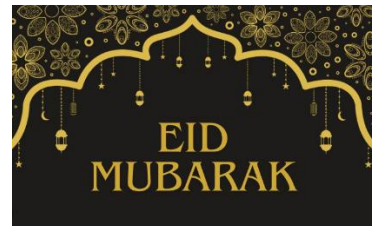


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Respect, Hope, Friendship and Forgiveness.

Newsletter Spring Term

Friday 20th March 2026



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of another busy week, I would like to wish a very happy Eid to all members of our school community who have been celebrating. I hope you enjoyed a wonderful time with family and friends. School was very quiet today, and we look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday. Please remember that no absences will be authorised on Monday for religious reasons.

We are also heading into the final week of having our pop-up swimming pool in the playground from Beyond the Physical. The children have thoroughly enjoyed the experience and gained so much confidence and skill during their sessions. We hope the last week is just as successful.

Next week, children in Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 will take part in an Easter Journey experience in school. These afternoon sessions will be led by staff and supported by our fantastic Year 5 volunteers, who will be sharing their knowledge of the Easter story with younger pupils.

We look forward to a positive and enjoyable final week of the Spring Term.

Best wishes,
Mr Blackburn.

Dates for your diaries:

School closes for end of term – Friday 27th March

School reopens – Monday 13th April

School Closed for Bank Holiday – Monday 4th May

School closes for half term – Friday 22nd May

School reopens – Tuesday 2nd June

School closes for end of term – Friday 17th July



Importance of keeping up with ParentPay balances:

A reminder to clear all ParentPay balances by the end of each week. Please can we ask that no debt is carried forward each week. Payment items include: school meals, breakfast club, rainbow club, after school clubs and trips. Thank you in advance.



EASTER RAFFLE 🎟️:

Our generous staff team have kindly donated lots of Easter items for our Easter raffle!

Raffle tickets are on sale from the office at £3 CARD ONLY. These will be available until Wednesday next week.

As usual we cannot guarantee these are allergen friendly, so please take care and check, as parents, the suitability for your child.

Results of the Recent Parent Questionnaire:

Thank you to all the Parents and Carers who completed the Parent and Carer questionnaire this term, which many of you completed at Parents Evening electronically. We are really pleased to share the outcomes, which were very positive. Thank you all for your time taken to complete the survey and for your continued support and positive comments. We had 78 responses. Thank you. These are the main findings from the survey:

- **99%** of parents said their child is happy and feel safe at school. We are delighted by this as this is essential for children to enable them to be the best they can be.
- **92%** of parents feel that pupils are well behaved and if there are incidents of bullying most feel that school deals with this quickly and effectively.
- **92%** of parents are happy with the communication school sends home about what their child is learning and also how well their child is achieving. Remember that you can always contact your child's class teacher or look on our school website where there is a lot of information detailing our curriculum across all year groups.
- A small number of parents have indicated that school could do better at dealing with their concerns. We will look at this going forward on an individual basis but a reminder to all that we have an open-door policy in school should there be anything you wish to discuss.
- **88%** of parents recognise that school have high expectations for the children and **97%** said that their children do well. We are really proud of this.
- Some people expressed that they would like more extra-curricular clubs. We are continuously reviewing our extra-curricular offer and hope that over the year there will be clubs that your child will be attending. We will continue to ask the children for suggestions as to what they would like but uptake for many clubs is low, which is why sometimes the number of clubs we run may appear limited. Unfortunately, we can't run clubs at a loss financially.
- **82%** of parents said that school supports their child's wider development. We will be sending out communication to you in the coming weeks regarding what this means and how we do it at St John's.
- **92%** of parents said they would recommend us.
- **83%** of parents can articulate our school vision and that we promote these well. This is a remarkable improvement and something that we have worked on with parents over the last few years.

As always if you have any individual concerns, then please don't hesitate to get in touch with us.

School Trip



Upcoming Trips:

We currently have the following trips live on ParentPay - Y4 (Mission Out!) and Y5 (Robinwood December 2026). Parents have been notified about upcoming trips for their child via ClassDojo. Y4 - your first instalment is now overdue. Please make payment as soon as possible. Y5 - to secure your child's place, the deposit must be paid by Friday 27th March, at the very latest, via ParentPay.

Weekly Attendance

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