



ST JOHN'S
A PRIORY ACADEMY

Newsletter

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Respect Kindness Confidence Tolerance Self-Discipline

Key Dates

Monday 14th July
French Day
Monday 14th July—6pm
Y6 Production
Tuesday 15th July
Move up morning
Tuesday 15th July—1.45pm
Y6 Production
Wednesday 16th July 9.15-10.15am
Y1/2 Family Science Event
Wednesday 16th July 2.15-3.15pm
Y5/6 Family Science Event
Thursday 17th July 2.15-3.15pm
Y3/4 Family Science Event
Friday 18th July 2.30pm
Y6 Leavers Assembly
Friday 18th July
End of term

Wednesday 3rd September
Children return to school

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Dear St John's families,

We have nearly made it! I can't quite believe there's only one week left of this academic year and this is the final newsletter for this year.

I have to mention Sports Days which took place this week. The weather was on our side and we had a fantastic morning and afternoon with all our pupils. There were so many smiling faces and it was joy to experience it with children and families.

It has been a fantastic year at St John's. The children have experienced some brilliant opportunities and worked so hard, consistently showing our values and it's not quite finished yet. We have our family science events next week which we are looking forward to and hope many of you will be able to attend to enjoy some science activities with your children.

Also, we have French day on Monday—please remember that children can come in red, white and blue and if able to, bring along some French food for our tasting session. It promises to be a fun day celebrating language and culture.

On Tuesday, our children will be moving to their new classes and spending time with their new teachers. We hope that they have an exciting morning and feel settled ready for moving to the next year group from September.

On a personal note, I'd like to thank all of our families for your continued support. Your positive feedback, enthusiasm for school life and engagement in your children's education means we can continue making St John's an amazing place to learn and I feel lucky every day to lead such an incredible school community. I would also like to thank the staff team at St John's—they all go above and beyond every day to 'champion' every child who walks through our door. I know you will join me in wishing them a fantastic well-deserved break over the Summer.

I wish you all a wonderful Summer and we look forward to welcoming the children back in September!

Mrs Emma Jefferson

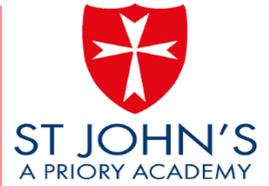
Headteacher



Championing children; making a difference

Attendance and Safeguarding

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**



RJR	97.9%
RAS	93.5%
1T	89%
1HC	88.7%
2ST	92.4%
2F	97.4%
30S	93.9%
3B	96.6%
4T	95.5%
4D	97.1%
5N	95.5%
5BT	95.5%
6B	95.9%
6M	96.7%

Attendance for the week:



Attendance for the year to date:



Our aim is to try and be in the green for our overall attendance across the year!

Attendance

Well done to RAS who are currently in the lead for our termly class attendance reward but there's still a few weeks to go!

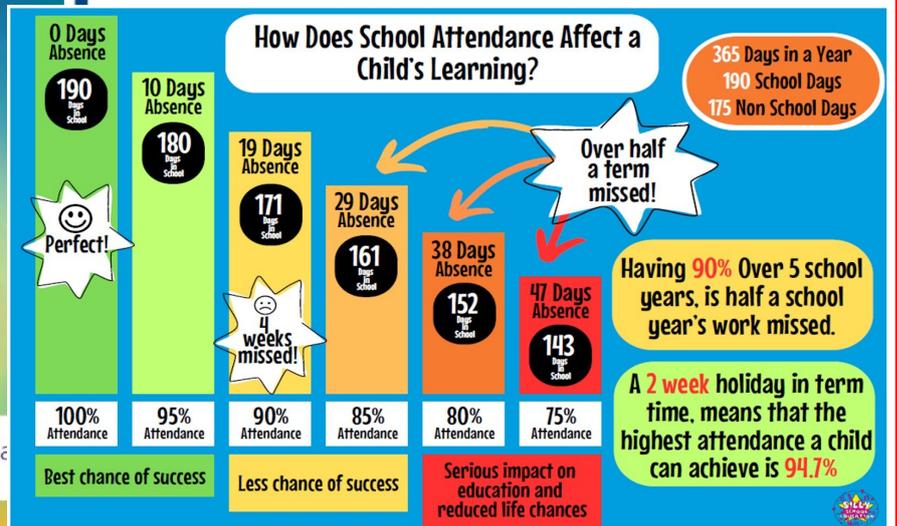
Safeguarding

Some families are contacting school to say that there are people smoking near the school gates or continuing to wait with dogs near the school gates. School are unable to intervene with anything that doesn't happen on school property. All that we can do is to keep encouraging that everyone acts responsibly whilst on or near the school grounds.

As we come up to the school holidays, we encourage all our children to behave safely and responsibly when out and about. A key part of our PSHE curriculum is about keeping safe in aspects such as stranger danger, avoiding peer pressure and things like crossing the road.

The Co-op have contacted school to say that more children are entering the store in large groups and using inappropriate language in the store. We encourage our older pupils who may be out and about by themselves to remember all of our teaching about anti-social behaviour and to behave well when out in public.

Attendance Ladder



Learning in class



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Year 5

In their Design and Technology learning, the children have been making pop-up books and once complete, they came down to Year 1 to share them with the children. The books were bursting with colour and had many moving / pop-up parts. Well done Year 5 for designing them so well!



Year 1

Year 1 have been learning all about the Great Fire of London and have been fantastic at sharing some facts all about this. They know that the fire started in a bakery on Pudding Lane in 1666. They have also spent some time learning about why the fire spread so quickly—windy conditions, houses built very closely together made out of wood and the lack of an organised fire brigade. They also learnt about how London looked when it was rebuilt after the fire. They have really become engrossed with this History learning and to provide further enrichment, we organised a workshop for the children with One Day Creative where they used role play and drama to further learn more about this key event in History.



Y6 Residential



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Year 6

Year 6 had a fantastic time at the PGL residential centre at Dearne Valley. The children got to take part in so many outdoor adventurous activities including high ropes, climbing walls and crate stacking. They also took part in activities like bushcraft where they tested their survival skills. It was a fantastic 3 days—the biggest challenge was probably having to make their own beds when they got there! Here is just a very small selection of some of the photos we took!



In other news..



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Family Science Events

Some of you may remember last year that we ran some family Science events in the hall for children in Years 3,4,5. The turnout for these events was fantastic which made our hall very busy! This year, Mrs Opie Skinner is going bigger and better by running sessions for more year groups across more days. This will allow more room in the hall and mean more children are able to take part! Families can choose to attend and complete some activities with their child in the hall. If you are unable to attend, please do not worry as the children won't miss out. They will complete the same activities in their classroom with their teachers. It should be great fun and we look forward to hopefully seeing many of you there.

Year 1 and 2 – Wednesday 16th July 9:15 – 10:15

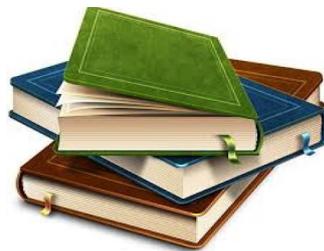
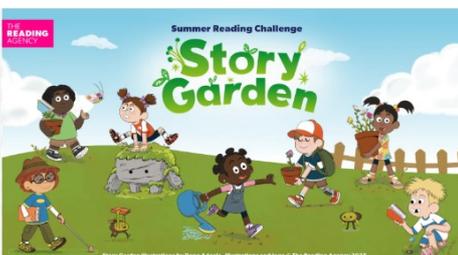
Year 3 and 4 – Thursday 17th July 2:15 – 3:15

Year 5 and 6 – Wednesday 16th July 2:15 – 3:15



Summer Reading Challenge

We are very passionate about reading and we encourage all of our pupils to take part in the Summer Reading Challenge. We were delighted to welcome Moira from The Heath library to speak to the children about all of the fantastic events they are running, for free, over the holidays. Anyone can sign up for the reading challenge as long as they have an adult with them. Continuing to read over the Summer is so important in keeping enjoyment levels for reading high and fluency skills developed. I hope to see many of our pupils at the library over the Summer taking part in the challenge!



Summer Reading Challenge at Bracebridge Heath Library

Sat 5th July 10am-12 noon - Summer Reading Challenge Launch - come along and sign up to get your "Story Garden" pack.

Sat 19th July 10am -12 noon Pot decoration and seed planting - all children welcome

Wed 30th July 10am-12 noon Bug Rocks! Decorate a rock to make a bug!

Wed 6th August 10am - 12 noon -All about Plants and Bugs - Games and a Storytime at 11am

Wed 20th Aug 10am - 12noon - Fantastic Flowers and Perfect Plants - be creative

In the community..



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Bracebridge Heath Parish Council
invites you to our

Summer Community Tea Party

12.30 to 2.00pm
Saturday 12th July 2025
The Heath: Village Hall & Library



Enjoy live music, children singing,
delicious cakes & the Bracebridge Heath
Art Exhibition

Lincoln
Duck Race
Friday 29th August
2pm - 3pm

ROYAL AIR FORCES
Association

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ROYAL AIR FORCE
RED ARROWS

Scan Me!

All proceedings in this event go to RAFA Registered Charity 226596 (England & Wales), SC037073 (Scotland)

Lincoln Arts
Centre

Family Fun with Rhubarb Theatre

25th July
2025

Storytelling with Kirsty – 9am

The Enormous Crocodile by Roald Dahl

Watch out for the hungry croc – he loves to guzzle up little boys and girls! Join Rhubarb Theatre for this classic Roald Dahl tale. This storytelling workshop is full of fun filled drama, music and acting out – just bring the juicy and yummy kids!

Tickets: Free (no booking required)

Running Time: 60mins

Location: The Cafe Bar

Age: All ages!

Safari So-Goody with Rhubarb Theatre – 11am

WACKY WALKABOUT CHARACTERS

Josephine and Gerald are out on safari and are hoping to meet some of the locals. Ideally taking in the sights, stopping off for tea and enjoying pleasant conversation, but their pesky camels have other ideas.... Wacky walkabout for all the family.

Tickets: Free (no booking required)

Running Time: 60mins

Location: Throughout the venue

Age: All ages!

In the community..



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AFTER HOURS CLIMBING

SESSIONS

Located Within The Priory Academy LSST Sports Centre

SCAN TO BOOK



Casual Climb – The Open Climbing Session

- Over 18 Competent Climbers
- Under 18s/non-competent climbers to be supervised by competent climbers.
- Tuesday evenings – Pay on Entry, *just reserve your space online and climb at any time.*

Prodigies – The Under 18 Development Session

- Under 18's coached session.
- From beginner bouldering all the way to lead climbing development.
- Tuesday evenings – Pay on Entry

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Casual Climb (£7)

3 hours of climbing at your own pace for just £7, allowing you to do whatever you are competent to do. **Never climbed before?** Still book on, this session is accessible to all!

5:30pm-8:30pm

Prodigies (£7)

Got a child that loves climbing everything or just wants to try something new? This is the session for them, filled with games and learning opportunities for just £7 per hour!



Scan to book Casual Climb/Prodigies



Rope Skills Intro (£30)

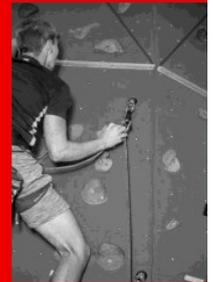
This bespoke session will give you all the tools to go to any climbing wall and know what to do for all things top rope e.g. get you to the top of that wall and keep each other safe. Send us a message so we can get you booked in for your two 1-hour sessions!



Every Tuesday!

How To: Lead Climb (£50)

The full package. This course will give you skills to lead climb with confidence, belay effectively and catch a falling climber along with other tips. Send us a message so we can get you booked in for your two 1.5-hour sessions!



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