

## Issue 27—May 2025



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### Key Dates

Monday 2nd June Start of Term 6 Monday 2nd June-9.15am Sports Achievement Assessmbly Wednesday 4th June Y4 Trip—Mablethorpe Wednesday 4th June-9.15am Parent Workshop—Transition worries Thursday 5th June **Priory Sports Competition—Y6** Thursday 5th June **Kingswood Information Evening** W.b Monday 9th June **Year 1 Phonics Screening Check Tuesday 10th June Year 4 Multiplication Check** Friday 13th June **School Council Event** Monday 16th—Friday 20th June **National School Sports Week** Tuesday 17th June **Little City visiting Early Years** Friday 20th June Whole School Athlete visit and Workshops Friday 20th June-3.30-5.30pm **FoS Summer Fayre** 

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Dear St John's families,

We've made it to the end of Term 5 and we've managed to pack a lot into this short term.

Year 6 did exactly as we knew they would with their SATs and approached these with calmness and determination and we are so proud of them for their efforts during the week. They certainly enjoyed their party to celebrate at the end of the week!

This week, we welcomed our new Early Years families for 2025 into the St John's family. It was lovely to welcome them in and share information about school. I hope they soon feel very much part of our school community and we're very excited to meet all our new starters very soon for some stay and play sessions at school.

We have so much to look forward to in the final term of the year starting with a special Sports Achievement Assembly on Monday 2nd June. Families will have received an invitation to this if it is applicable for them to attend. We have so much to celebrate and share that it was only fitting we dedicate a special assembly towards this.

We know that Term 6 can also be the term when some worries begin to form about moving on or moving up and other aspects linked with transition. Please remember that the Mental Health Schools Team are delivering a parent workshop in school on Wednesday 4th June to share some strategies and approaches with families for how to support when a child has worries linked with transition and the changes this brings.

I hope you all have a fantastic week's break and we look forward to the chaotic (but very fun!) term ahead.

Mrs Emma Jefferson

Headteacher



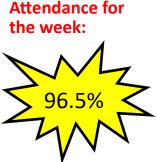
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## Attendance and Safeguarding

MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.



RJR	97.3%
RAS	97.5%
1T	96.6%
1HC	98.9%
2ST	95.3%
2F	96.4%
30S	94.6%
3B	97.2%
4T	96.6%
4D	97.2%
5N	94%
5BT	95.8%
6B	96.9%
6M	96.7%



## Attendance for the year to date:



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

# **Attendance Ladder**

#### **Attendance**

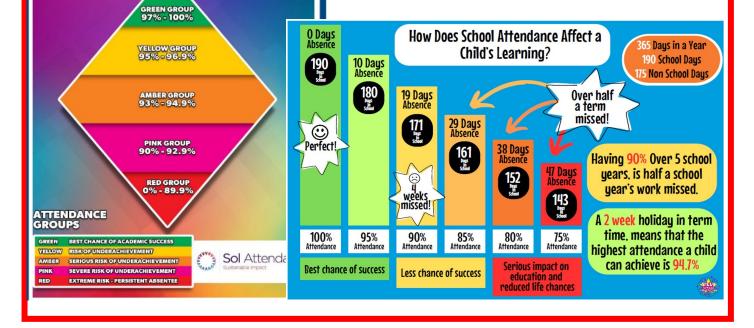
We've had some brilliant attendance figures across the school since coming back after the Easter holidays which has been great to see. It's lovely to see our ladder with so much green on it.

Please can we remind families to complete the form that can be found <u>here</u> if a leave of absence is going to be taken whether this for a holiday or another reason.

Please also be reminded that we cannot authorise term time holidays unless for exceptional circumstances. Our attendance policy can be found <u>here</u>.

#### **Safeguarding**

We are still receiving regular concerns from families regarding our older pupils who come to school on their bikes and their dangerous riding near to school. Some families have reported some very close near misses due to the children not riding sensibly and with due care and attention. Please can we urge you to speak with your child if they attend on their bikes about how to stay safe on the roads. It would be devastating if there were to be an accident occur.



## Learning in class



#### Year 3

In their PSHE learning this term, the children in Year 3 have been learning about careers and finance. As part of this, I set them a challenge! Could they organise a party for their class with a budget of £10?! This included them using the Tesco website (and clubcard deals!) to find what items they wanted and what the deals were. Listening to them justify their thinking and making decisions such as buying multipack bags of crisps but emptying them into bowls so there would be enough for everyone was just fantastic. Some lucky representatives from each class then went to Tesco to purchase their items! An amazing job at budgeting Year 3 and I hope your classes enjoy the parties you planned.



#### **Early Years**

Early Years had a fantastic 'Prince and Princesses' day last week to link with their Once upon a time topic. They made shields, created wooden castles from building blocks, hunted for treasure in the sand and played 'pin the lips on the frog!' Despite the slightly chillier weather, they were still able to have a picnic lunch outside and had special cakes for snack in the afternoon. Everyone looked amazing!



#### Year 2

This week has been Science week in school. Year 2 had the challenge of doing some Chemistry looking at different reactions. They watched what happened when warm water was poured over some skittles. The shells of these sweets are made from sugar and so when it meets warm water, it dissolves. As the colours meet, they mix, creating different colours!



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# ST JOHN'S

#### Year 4

Year 4 have been learning about poetry in their writing lessons. For inspiration, they looked at 'The Sound Collector' by Roger McGough. They then thought about the idea of a dream collector and thought about different dreams which could be collected.



In Art, Year 4 have looked at using tints and shades of colour and looked at the work of Claude Monet to provide inspiration. They have produced coastal paintings to link with their Geography learning.









#### The Sound Collector - by Roger Mcgough

A stranger called this morning Dressed all in black and grey Put every sound into a bag And carried it away

The whistling of the kettle The turning of the lock The purring of the kitten The ticking of the clock

The popping of the toaster The crunching of the flakes When you spread the marmalade The scraping noise it makes

The hissing of the frying pan The ticking of the grill The bubbling of the bath tub As it starts to fill

The drumming of the raindrops On the window pane When you do the washing up The gurgle of the drain

The crying of the baby The squeaking of the chair The swishing of the curtain The creaking of the stair

A stranger called this morning He didn't leave his name Left us only silence Life will never be the same









## In other news..



#### **Gardening Club**

Gardening club have been very busy and have planted strawberries, carrots, radishes, potatoes and sunflowers outside. On the sunny Y2 windowsill, we have tomatoes and peppers. The Y2 children are tasked with watering these every morning when they come to school!





Gardening club also have a request! They are in need of plastic pots, seeds and compost. If anyone has anything spare at home, please could you drop it off with Mrs Frain or the school office! Thank you so much!



This week has been Science week at school. Here are some of our recommended reads linked to Science.

#### Early Years / KS1





# In the community..



