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### Key Dates

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

Wednesday 25th June

Year 6 Mini Police PSHE Workshop

Friday 27th June—9.15am

Reception Class Assembly

Friday 27th June

FOS Discos

Mon 30th June—Weds 2nd Nov

Y6 Residential

Tuesday 8th July

Y6 Orienteering Trip—Monks Wood

Wednesday 9th July

Sports Day—KS2 (am) EY/KS1 (pm)

Thursday 10th July

Reserve Sports Day

Thursday 10th July—6pm

Y6 Production

Friday 11th July—6.30-8.30pm

Y6 Leavers Party

Dear St John's Families,

Welcome back to the start of our last term for this academic year. I know we say it every year, but this year really seems to have flown by and I know the children will be beginning to reflect on their year and what's next for them as they move on to the next step in their school journey. For our Year 6 pupils, this becomes even more significant as they begin to soak up the memories of primary school and all that St John's has given them as foundations for moving on to secondary.

Looking at the key dates to the left, we have so much to look forward to but it does mean it's a very busy term so we appreciate your continued patience and support as we continue to look at all the opportunities and experiences we can offer to the children and to you as families.

Next week is National Schools Sports Week and we have such a fantastic week lined up. Mr Morris has themed the week around 'inclusion' and the children will be taking part in a range of inclusive sports. The week will end with a visit from GB athlete Liz McTernan who won bronze for GB in the World Championships. She was also only the 2nd female wheelchair athlete to complete the Ironman World Championships in Hawaii in 2018. The children can be sponsored for the workshops they take part in with Liz with more information in this newsletter.

We are also really excited for the return of our Summer Fayre, which has been organised by FoS, who I'm sure you will agree with me when I say have worked exceptionally hard this year for the children at St John's. We'd love to welcome as many of you to school on Friday 20th June from 3.30-5.30pm. It looks to be a wonderful event!

Thank you for all your continued support as always.

*Mrs Emma Jefferson*

*Headteacher*

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# Attendance and Safeguarding

**MOMENTS  
MATTER,  
ATTENDANCE  
COUNTS.**



RJR	97.4%
RAS	98.6%
1T	96.9%
1HC	94.1%
2ST	96.7%
2F	95.1%
30S	96.7%
3B	91.9%
4T	91.9%
4D	95.2%
5N	92.1%
5BT	95.3%
6B	97.3%
6M	89.5%

**Attendance for the week:**

**94.8%**

**Attendance for the year to date:**

**95.3%**

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

## Attendance

Please can we remind families to complete the form that can be found [here](#) 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 [here](#).

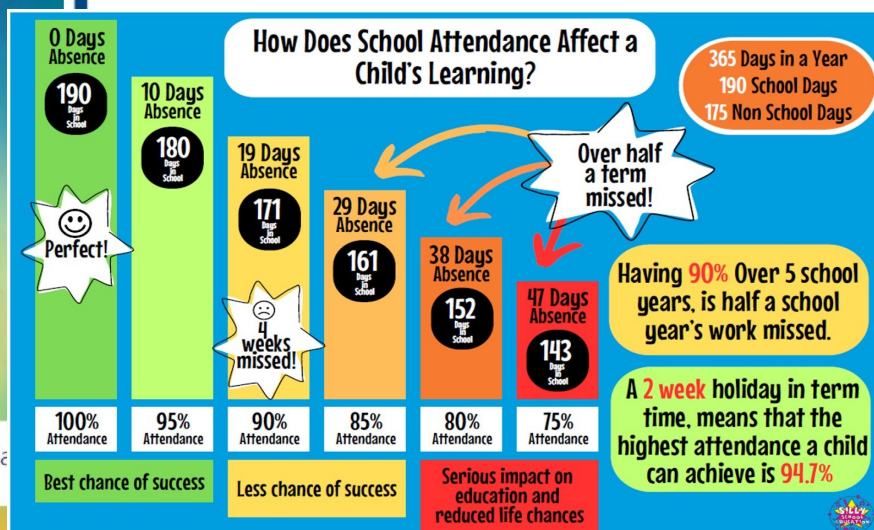
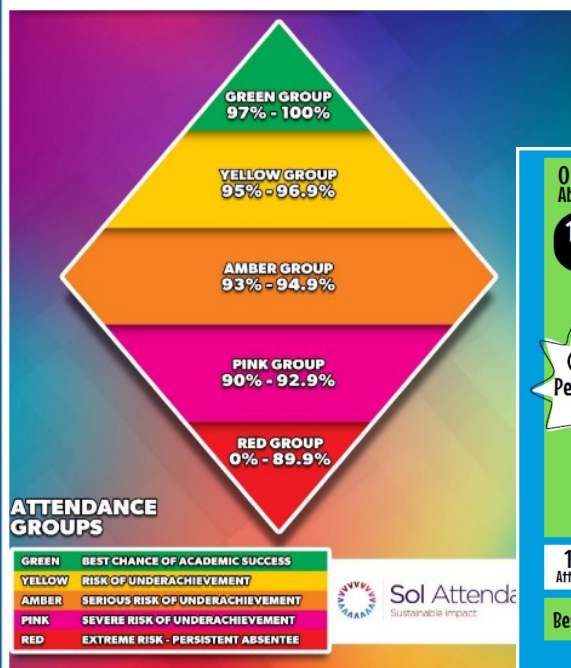
Well done to RAS who are currently in the lead for our termly class attendance reward but there's still a few weeks to go!

## Safeguarding

We have had concerns from parents regarding cars idling their engines while waiting to pick up children. As you may be aware, this is more harmful for the environment than when a car is moving. I have passed this on to our school council who will be running a campaign to try and highlight why this isn't good. Watch this space!



## Attendance Ladder





# Learning in class

## Year 4 Trip to Mablethorpe

Last Wednesday, Year 4 travelled to Mablethorpe as part of their Geography topic about coasts. The children were very excited to go to beach. They were exploring why Mablethorpe had been awarded the blue flag for 2025. To do this, they had a set of criteria that Mablethorpe needed to have met and checked whether they agreed that the beach did meet this criteria. It included aspects linked with cleanliness and safety and how accessible the beach is to all. The children had a great time even if they did get a lot of sand in their shoes!



## Year 5

In their Science, Year 5 are learning about how humans grow and change. The first lesson was all about child development between the ages 0 and 2 so we were very happy that Mr Clay was able to bring along his beautiful children Elsie (age 2) and Cobie (age 2 months). The children loved asking Mr Clay lots of questions about their development and Year 5 loved interacting with them, making them feel very welcome in their classroom! It looks like Elsie was very keen to take on the role of teacher!





# FoS Fun Run!



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We had an amazing day a couple of weeks ago where we took part in a fun run to raise funds for FoS. This was for the particular purpose of trying to raise funds for a new Trim Trail on the KS1 playground which we have been quoted around £5000 for. Thanks to the phenomenal efforts of the St John's Community, we raised nearly £800. This will be matched (to a certain amount) by FoS so we are now well on our way to meeting our target and getting that new trim trail. It was wonderful seeing the children have so much fun and huge thanks to Coach Danny for setting the course up!





## In other news..



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### National School Sports Week

We are really looking forward to taking part in National School Sports Week next week. All children will be taking part in inclusive sports in their PE lessons next week. On Friday, we will be joined by Liz McTernan who will deliver an assembly about her inspiring journey and deliver some workshops to the children. The children can be sponsored to take part in these by friends and family—please use the QR code to the side. There are rewards based on the amount of sponsorship raised and school will receive 60% of the total raised following the participation fee which will go back to buying sports equipment and providing sports experiences. Terms and conditions can be found [here](#). It looks to be an amazing week at St John's!



### 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 9:15am – 10:15am**

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

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



### Priory Sports Competition

Last week, I took a team of 8 x Y6 pupils to the Priory Sports Competition where all of the Priory Primary Schools took part in a range of different sports. St John's team did incredibly well, winning 4 of the events with strong places across all events. Overall, we took 2nd place, only 2 points behind the winners Huntingtower. More importantly, the children demonstrated all of our values and had lots of fun! Well done to them all!



### We are hiring!

We are looking for 2 x Mid-day Supervisory Assistants to join our lunchtime team! Details can be found [here](#). This will include working 1 hour each day over lunchtime. We'd love for you to come and join our team or share this with anyone who may be interested.



## In other news..



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### Staffing News

Earlier this week, we emailed families with the classes that we will have next year. We will let you know which class your child will be in next year in the coming weeks. We are very delighted to say that Mr Clay will be a full time teacher with us from September. Mr Clay has had a remarkable journey working from sports coach to teaching assistant to fully qualified teacher and we're delighted that he can remain with us for the next part of his teaching career.



In the Summer, we will also be saying goodbye to Miss Rose and Mrs Bosworth. Miss Rose has worked with our Early Years / KS1 children this year and her nurturing approach has been hugely beneficial to the children she has worked closely with. We will miss her very much!

Mrs Bosworth has been at St John's for 34 years so it's impossible to calculate just how many young people she has worked with and made a difference to. Mrs Bosworth is always at the centre of the fun and is a willing participant in anything we have ideas about! Many of the school's fundraising days such as Comic Relief and Children in Need to name a couple have been organised by Mrs Bosworth. She will be enjoying a very well deserved retirement but we will certainly miss her very much at St John's. I'm sure you'll join me in thanking her for all that she has done for many, many pupils at St John's over the years.

### Clubs—Autumn Term 25/26

Please keep your eyes peeled next week for the clubs booklet to sign up for clubs running from September—December 2025. As always, we have tried to offer a range of clubs to suit all interests and age-ranges. Many of you will be pleased to see Football for both girls and boys in Y3/4 running as a club in the Autumn term which I know has been much requested. I'd like to thank all of the staff who volunteer their time to run these clubs and look forward to seeing many children take part. Please make sure you sign your child up during the booking window and please make sure you select clubs that your children are able to take part in for their new year group and not their current year group.



### Summer Reading Challenge

We will once again be encouraging the children to take part in the Summer Reading Challenge. I know that Bracebridge Heath Library have lots of exciting activities planned over the Summer and many of our children took part in the reading challenge last year. We will hopefully be welcoming one of the volunteers at the library to come and share the challenge with the children to help launch this fantastic initiative. I'd love for this year to have even more pupils from St John's taking part!





**In the community..**



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**ST JOHN'S  
PRIMARY  
ACADEMY  
SCHOOL FAYRE**

**GAMES**

**ICE CREAM**

**FRIDAY, 20TH JUNE**  
**3:30 - 5:30**

**ST JOHN'S  
PRIMARY  
ACADEMY  
SCHOOL FAYRE  
STALLHOLDERS**

**GAMES**

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR  
STALLHOLDERS FOR  
OUR SCHOOL FAYRE**

**FRIDAY, 20TH JUNE**  
**3:30 - 5:30**

Any enquiries to  
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**Bracebridge Heath Parish Council**  
invites you to our

**Summer Community  
Tea Party**

**12.30 to 2.00pm**  
**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2025**  
**The Heath: Village Hall & Library**

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

**What's on at  
Bracebridge Heath  
Library**

Sat 24<sup>th</sup> May, 21<sup>st</sup> June and 26<sup>th</sup> July - 10 - 12 noon Chess Morning - come along to play, learn and enjoy Chess - and some other board games. All welcome.

Wed 4<sup>th</sup> June - 11am Storytime - all about toys! Come along and enjoy with your little ones.

Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> June and 3<sup>rd</sup> July - 6-7.30pm Book Chatter - come along to chat with other readers and discover books to try.

Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> June and 10<sup>th</sup> July - 6-7.30pm - Knit and Natter - come along to enjoy a friendly group drinking tea, knitting, crocheting and chatting!

Tues 17<sup>th</sup> June 6.30pm - Interesting talk by local author Jo Major about her book "Kitty Fisher" - grab a free ticket to join us

Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> July - 11am Storytime - all about Dinosaurs! Come along and enjoy with your little ones.

Watch out for lots of exciting activities and events during this years Summer Reading Challenge - launching 5<sup>th</sup> July.

Remember our jigsaw swap, food donation and borrowing books are available every session!