



Achieving, Believing  
& Succeeding Together

St. John's C. of E. Primary School

# SCHOOL NEWS

11<sup>th</sup> January 2018



The Keys  
Federation  
Academy Trust

Unlocking potential

## Dates for your diary

January	
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Closing date for applications for 2018 Reception Class intake
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Dolce special dinner – It's a Wrap
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	St. John's Choir – Young Voices Concert
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> January	NSPCC Speak Out Stay Safe Assembly for all Classes
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> at 5pm	Year 2 SATS meeting for parents
February	
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Whole School Class Pictures
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Dolce Pancake Day Themed Meal
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> (Please note change of date)	Parents/Carers Evening for all classes
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	February Half Term Holidays
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Holiday Club Provision available at Hindley Green

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### Principal's Stars of the Term

A huge well done to our Principal's Stars of the Autumn Term.

- Reception – Thomas
- Year 1 - Skye
- Year 2 - Sienna
- Year 3 - Joel
- Year 4 - Holly
- Year 5 - Cadie
- Year 6 - Tamsin

Don't forget parents/carers can read their child's entry into the golden book displayed in the main school entrance anytime. Please just ask Mrs Glynn at the school office.



### Reception Intake 2018

Please be reminded if your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2013 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2014 you will need to apply for a reception class place for September 2018. The closing date is Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018. If you need any help with your application please call into the school office who will be happy to help you with the process. Thank you.



### Wigan & Leigh Hospice

A huge thank you to all our children and families who supported the Christmas Toy Appeal. Together we managed to raise

**£141.05.**

In total to date school has managed to raise a fabulous **£263.80** for Wigan and Leigh Hospice.

- Reception – Jake
- Year 1 – Reband
- Year 2 – Lucy
- Year 3 – All Year 3
- Year 4 – Charlie
- Year 5 – Bobby
- Year 6 – Sinead
- Well done!

**EVERY  
SCHOOL DAY  
COUNTS**

School Attendance

A huge well done to Year 3 with the highest attendance for last week with an amazing 100%. Well done Year 3, keep it up!

Key Stage 2 Boot Camp After School Sports Club – There are still places available for this club on a Wednesday. If you would like to secure your child's place please send in the reply slip together with your kind contribution of £1 each week or £9 for the remainder of the sessions.

# REMINDER ...



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## Keeping up with sport and music ...

### WHEN SCHOOL IS OUT, CAMP IS IN!

Letters will be circulated tomorrow for the February holiday camp. To secure your child's place please don't forget to send your booking form and payment into the school office by Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February.

Thank you.

#### Term dates for the rest of 2017/2018 school year

Spring Term 1 - Wednesday 3rd January - Friday 16th February

February Half Term Holidays - Monday 19th February - Friday 23rd February

Spring Term 2 - Monday 26th February - Friday 23rd March

Easter Holidays - Monday 26th March - Friday 6th April

Summer Term 1 - Monday 9th April - Friday 25th May

Bank Holiday Monday 7th May

May Half Term Holidays - Monday 28th May - Friday 1st June

Summer Term 2 - Monday 4th June - Friday 20th July

The Keys Federation  
**Sports Academy**

Unlocking your child's sporting potential

**Our Sports Star of the week is Harley, Year 6, for a fantastic PE lesson.**

**Well Done!**

The Keys Federation  
**Music Academy**

Unlocking your child's musical potential

**Well Done to all our performers throughout December whether in choir, brass band, soloists or productions.**

**You were fabulous!**

#### Polite Reminder ...

If your child is absent from school for any reason please ensure you always contact the school office regarding the absence for register monitoring. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.

#### Newspapers



Our Reception class are appealing for any kind donations of newspapers to use for paper mache artwork. Any donations can be dropped off at the school office or handed into Reception class.

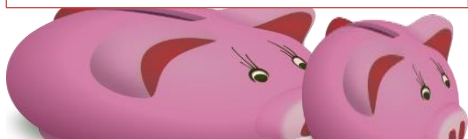
Thank you.



**St John's Toddler Group**  
**Every Tuesday 9.00am to 10.15am (Term Time)**

Our toddler group is designed for children aged 0-4 with lots of fun activities. Please try to come along for a fun packed morning for your toddler. Next week's activity will be -

# MESSY PLAY



Please don't forget our School Bank is open offering a great children's savings club. If you would like to join or pay into an account, please call into the school office from 8.30am on a Wednesday.

Thank you to those parents/carers who gave their views at our Autumn Term Community of Purpose Listening events and/or completed a questionnaire with some ideas to make our provision even better. We asked the following questions ...

#### In what ways do you feel that we currently support your child's positive mental health

You said ...

**PSHE, Circle Time, Toot Toot, Daily Mile, Worry Box**

If children have an issue – we feel it is dealt with quickly and there is always someone to talk to.

**Support is always there when needed and the school brings in people from outside when needed, i.e. counsellor, School of Military. It is a good service.**

Good support in class, keep improving communication.

**A lot! Staff are there for the children, they listen to them, understand the children, encourage them and take time to get to know them.**

My child is much more confident and happy since starting this school.

**Nurture room and excellent pastoral support from the learning mentor.**

My child likes the rewards and always talks about pebbles and stickers.

**Positive messages about persistence/perseverance and a culture where every child is valued.**

It is good to hear that you value the support we give to ensure your children's positive mental health, but some things we can't change, i.e. fewer tests – they are set by the Government and we have to prepare, but not over-prepare.

Following your feedback, our key actions will be ...

**To continue to provide the services of nurture and counselling for our children.**

To ensure our Learning Mentors are on hand to speak to children and families when required and are able to offer support and guidance.

**To circulate further information, through school, on mental health issues in young people and to signpost families to the correct external services.**

Most parents/carers said they would like more information on mental health issues in young children and would like to receive this by:

- Group talks/open forums/face to face
- Email and Class Dojo
- Written information through school

#### Can you suggest any other ways in which school may support positive mental health?

You answered ...

**Continue to raise issues.**

Continue to offer a listening ear.

**Ensure all staff are aware of the bigger picture and individual children's needs.**

Keep praising good work.

**One to one support for children.**

Availability of support for all groups of children including 'middle of the road'.

**Keep celebrations going, in addition to the celebration assembly/worship.**

Positive encouragement of children to speak to staff about any issues that concern them.

**Not setting children on academic ability as this may negatively affect children's self-esteem at a very young age.**

Keep doing what you are going to support children.

**Continue the encouraging culture where children feel they always have someone to talk to about anything that is worrying them.**

Challenge the stigma of mental health.

**Continue to make them feel loved, respected, happy.**

Themed sessions per month.

**Fewer tests.**

Continue to involve parents with any concerns.