



St John's C of E Primary School

Together we grow stronger



Headteacher 'HEADLINES' 7.9.18

A warm welcome

A warm welcome back to everyone returning after the Summer Holidays, and a warm welcome to all of our new starters, who have joined us this year. It is lovely to see the children looking so smart in their uniform, and so keen and eager to kick-start their learning. We are all looking forward to an exciting term together.

Reminders

Uniform: No jewellery is permitted other than small stud earrings and 'medical' items. Earrings need to be able to be removed by the child themselves for PE lessons, if they cannot do this (other than if a recent addition) they should not be wearing their earrings. Watches are permitted but are removed for PE. Please ensure all uniform is named (including coats, wellington boots and PE Kits). Please avoid large bows in hair – preferably using scrunchies, ties, very small bows. **PE kit:** should be in school every day, collected at the end of the week for washing and returned on Monday. To maximise PE time (some take 10minutes to change each time thus reducing a PE lesson to 30minutes) pupils will go home in their PE Kit after lessons, with their uniform in their bag. **Times:** School opens at 8.40am with register closing as lessons start at 9am, and lessons finish at 3.15pm, with children leaving class at the end of the day around 3.20pm. **Communication:** Please relay information to class staff verbally at the door, or via the Link-Log. For concerns please book a meeting.

Please look out for the following issued this week

- Juniper Class Swimming letter
- Term 1 after school clubs letter
- Homework Book – homework will be issued each Friday and will be expected to be returned the following week – with a Spelling and mental Maths Test most Fridays based on the weekly homework
- Diary Dates for the year for parents
- Top Tips for parents to help their child at school
- Home School Link-log for recording any communication
- Home School Agreement / Code of Conduct that sets out our expectations and related complaints / sanctions
- Responses to items raised on the parent questionnaire summer 2018

The St John's WAY

These are our school VALUES and our school RULES / BEHAVIOUR EXPECTATIONS rolled into one:

The St John's Way

Together we grow stronger – in our hopes, hearts and minds: with

RESPECT: as we respect everyone equally, caring for all of creation

LOVE: as we are gentle and loving to one another and have a love of learning

TRUST: as we trust in God and become trustworthy global citizens

JUSTICE: as we are just champions of fairness, forgiveness and equality

FRIENDSHIP: as we nurture rewarding and enduring friendships

HOPE: as we challenge ourselves to be the best we can be

PRIDE: as we practice excellent learning powers

HEALTH: as we make safe and sensible choices, mindful of our happiness.

Learning Powers

These are our learning powers that help us to become better learners when practiced every day.

P – PRACTICE, PERSEVERANCE & POSITIVITY

R – RESOURCEFULNESS & RISK-TAKING

I – IMITATION & INNOVATION

D – DREAMS & DISTRACTION MANAGEMENT

E – ENQUIRY, EMPATHY & ECHO-ENHANCEMENT

PRIDE MANTRA spoken each day in classes: "Together we grow stronger through: PRIDE in our selves; PRIDE in our school; PRIDE in our learning; and PRIDE in our future."