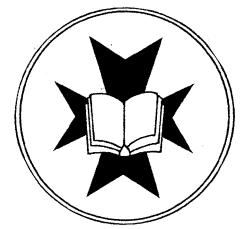


St John's Primary School and Nursery
- Wednesday 16th November 2016 -
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Week 3: 16.11.16

Thank you all for your support with the British Legion Poppy Appeal this year. It was a pleasure to be able to support this very worthy cause. I will let you know how much we raised when the figure becomes available.

Now that the cold weather is approaching, please send your child to school with an appropriate coat, scarf and gloves. Please also ensure that all items are named. It amazes me the value of clothing we currently have in lost property.

I really appreciate all the hard work everyone is putting in to make our school a happy and successful place to learn and thrive. Thank you so much for your positive comments and encouragement.

Have a very good week,

Mr D Barrow
 Head Teacher

Christmas Tree Festival

After a break from the St Nicholas Church Christmas tree festival last year, we will be entering it again this year. We are going with the theme of hearts as a symbol of thoughtfulness, kindness and love. We would very much like the children (and/or relatives) to make a heart for the tree in any medium they like, e.g. fabric, rustic, glittery, 3D, sequined, buttons, collage or painted. The only stipulation is that they need to be either red or gold please and generally no bigger than 15cm x 15cm. This will hopefully be a fun and creative project for you all to get involved in. Every heart sent in will be displayed! The festival runs from 1st until 4th December, so please could we have a deadline of Monday 28th November?

Finally, please go along to the festival and vote for St. John's!



Food for Life Award

We have received official notification that we have achieved our Food for Life bronze award, which is lovely news! This can now join our sports award. Many thanks to Mrs Baker for working hard to achieve this for our school.

Diary Dates

Wed 16 th Nov	7.00pm PTA meeting (Staff Room)
Thu 17 th Nov	Spotty Dress Up Day
Fri 18th Nov	INSET day – SCHOOL CLOSED
Mon 21 st Nov	pm: Year 1 and 5 – fire safety talk
Tue 22 nd Nov	am: Year 6 trip to Masjid Zeenat-ul-Islam Mosque, Coventry All day: Reception trip to Umberslade Farm
Wed 23 rd Nov	am: Year 1/2/3 nasal flu vaccinations 3.45pm-5.15pm: Year 6 space, rocket & robotics club (selected children - Kenilworth School)
Thu 24 th Nov	12.30pm: Year 5 parent sharing lunch
Fri 25 th Nov	PTA non-uniform day (wear your own clothes in return for a donation to the PTA chocolate tombola)
Thu 1 st – Sun 4 th Dec	Christmas Tree Festival at St Nicholas' Church
Fri 2 nd Dec	pm: Year 5/6 trip to Warwick University Christmas science lecture 3.30pm-5.00pm: PTA Christmas Fair 6.30pm: KS2 Choir performing at Hatton Country World
Sat 10 th Dec	3.00pm-7.30pm: Singing Playgrounds song leaders' celebration concert (All Saints Parish Church, Leamington Spa)
Mon 12 th Dec	am: Nursery & Reception Christmas performance
Tue 13 th Dec	2.15pm / 6.00pm: KS1 Christmas performances
Wed 14 th Dec	2.15pm / 6.00pm: KS2 Christmas performances
Thu 15 th Dec	PTA non-uniform day and Christmas disco – <i>details to follow</i> Whole-school Christmas lunch
Fri 16th Dec	am: Panto in a Day performance in school – <i>details to follow</i> Break up for Christmas holiday
Mon 2nd Jan 2017	Bank Holiday – SCHOOL CLOSED
Tue 3rd Jan 2017	INSET day – SCHOOL CLOSED
Wed 4th Jan 2017	Back to school



Spotty Dress Up Day

Tomorrow, we will be having a spotty dress up day in aid of Children in Need. Please wear something spotty in return for a donation. Hopefully, this won't be too onerous to find. If you don't have anything spotty, children should simply wear their own clothes. Please note that this event is taking place tomorrow, Thursday 17th November, because we are closed on Friday.



Kenilworth Cluster Training Day

Please remember that it is our cluster training day this Friday 18th November. **School will be closed on this date!** Most Kenilworth schools are coming together for some computing inspiration for our children.

Holiday Inn Art Gallery

Thank you to Miss Taylor and her Key Stage Two art crew who have worked hard to produce and display some fantastic art work for the gallery at the Holiday Inn. When the work is returned, it will go on display in the link corridor.

Jam Jar Request

One of our lovely parents has made a request for jam jars please. The aim is to transform clean jam jars into wedding favours for her friend, which is a super idea and very green too! If you have any jam jars that you would like to donate, there will be a box clearly labelled in the entrance hall.



Parking

There will inevitably be parking issues when a school like ours is situated in a built-up area. Generally, most people are very considerate when parking. However, it has come to my attention that people are beginning to park on the zig zag lines, which is not only illegal but also seriously compromises our children's safety. The zig zag lines are there for a purpose: to keep a good space clear to enable children to be visible and cross the road safely. If you park in this area, you are restricting visibility and making it unsafe for our children.

Please can I respectfully ask that you park considerately and keep the yellow lines clear? I am also aware that, as traffic increases on the Warwick Road, Mortimer Road is used a cut-through, so traffic is heavier at peak times anyway. I am sorry to moan, but I do get very alarmed when children's safety is compromised.

Celebration Assembly

Please remember that we are more than happy to celebrate your child's achievements from outside school too. This can be a trophy, award, certificate or medal. Please send them to me by Thursday each week and they can be presented in assembly on Friday. If you are uber-organised, then feel free to add some commentary!



PTA

Don't forget there is a PTA meeting tonight at 7.00pm at school. There are some new committee members who I am sure would appreciate your support.

Co-Chairs: Amanda Murphy and Sarah Cox
Vice-Chair: Sheralee Kelly
Treasurer: Paul Brown
Secretary: Celine Llewellyn-Jones

The next events are the chocolate tombola non-uniform day on Friday 25th November and the Christmas Fair on Friday 2nd December.

The PTA committee can be contacted on stjohnspta@welearn365.com.