



St John's Primary School and Nursery - Friday 14th July 2017-

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Week 6: w/c 10.7.17

It appears that we will be ending the year on a real positive as we celebrate some really super results in both key stages. We are celebrating our best ever phonic screening results in Year 1 with 92%, our Key Stage One data is in line with national data (which is pleasing), and Key Stage Two have stormed ahead with astonishing Reading and Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar results. As the data is still provisional, I cannot reveal too much yet, but we have more children working at greater depth, and are significantly above national. I am very, very pleased!

I will do a brief newsletter to end the year on next week.

Have a good week and very best wishes,

Mr D Barrow
Head Teacher

Children's Centre

There always seems to be a downside to counteract the positives. You may have read the very disturbing press reports that we are in serious danger of losing our Children's Centre in Kenilworth. This saddens me greatly. Even when we lost the bid to Barnardo's three years ago, I made the very conscious decision to maintain our existing links with the Children's Centre and build on them. I know that our relationship is stronger now than it ever was, and we have enjoyed three happy years of partnership working for Kenilworth children and families.

We are living in a climate of budget cuts, but I feel so strongly that cuts are being made in the wrong areas. Kenilworth needs its Children's Centre. The very fact that we have recruited a Family Support Worker to work alongside them should surely indicate a need. Please could I urgently ask you to look at the consultation and make your opinions known and counted?

<https://askwarks.wordpress.com/>

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/FamilyHubs>



Vacancy – Midday Supervisor

A vacancy has arisen for a Midday Supervisor from September. The hours of work will be 12.00pm to 1.10pm, Monday to Friday (term-time only). If you are interested, please speak to Mrs Morris or Mrs Weir in the school office.

Diary Dates

Mon 17th Jul 2017	Year 5/6 gardening activities (<i>bring messy clothes to change into</i>) pm: Year 6 beach afternoon (<i>bring swimwear, towel, water pistols etc.</i>) pm: 1C - PJs, popcorn & movie (<i>bring pyjamas / cosy clothes to change into</i>) 2.45pm: Year 4 fabulous finish (<i>parents invited</i>)
Tue 18th Jul 2017	9.30am: Sports Morning (Years 1 to 6) 3.30pm: Optional parents' evening (<i>to discuss report concerns/queries – by appointment only please</i>)
Wed 19th Jul 2017	St John's induction day (<i>classes move up a year for the day / new Nursery & Reception induction sessions</i>) Year 6 trip to Coventry Transport Museum 3.30pm-3.45pm: Say hello to your child's new teacher
Fri 21st Jul 2017	Toy Day 9.00am: Leavers' assembly 3.15pm: Break up for summer holiday

End-of-Year Reports

Your child's end-of-year report will be coming home to you today. I have had the pleasure of reading some already. Contained in the report envelope will also be:

- Attendance for the year
- Teacher assessment and test results for Years 2 and 6
- Phonic screening results for Year 1
- Child's self-assessment of their year

Please don't forget to return the reply slip to be entered into a draw for a bottle of bubbles! Last year, only 50% of you returning your reply slip. Let's make it 90+% this year, please.

Last Day of Term – Toy Day

Children are allowed to bring toys in on the last day of term. We would ask that they don't bring anything valuable, no devices that connect to the internet, and no weapons please.

Year 6 Performance

What a very fitting showcase for their talents! I really enjoyed **Pirates of The Curry Bean** this year. It had a lovely mix of humour, rousing songs and fantastic acting. Mrs Stern also made a very glamorous guest appearance! Thank you so much, Year 6 and the Upper Key Stage Two team for supporting each other and making this such a memorable experience.



Classes for Next Year

I am pleased to confirm the class structure for September as follows:

Class	Receiving
NK Miss Kelly	
RFB Mrs Fenner and Mrs Baker	NK
1C Miss Cossins	RK
2T Miss Tonge	1C
2S Miss Smyth	1S
3T Mrs Tennant	2B
3B Miss Baker	2T
4T Miss Taylor	3T
5S Mr Sharp	4T
5C Miss Cooke	4M
6L Mr Lee	5E
6E Miss Eggleton	5S

Transition Day

Don't forget that it is transition day next Wednesday 19th July. The children will spend the day with their new teachers. You will be able to come into school at 3.15pm to meet and greet your child's new teacher. Teachers will dispatch the children from the classroom to actively encourage you all to come and say hello! Mrs Eastham and I will be around to show you where to go! We look forward to seeing you then.

Good News for Mrs Tennant!

Very good news for Mrs Tennant (and Mr Tennant and Jack!) who are very pleased to announce that Mrs Tennant is expecting her second child on Christmas Day! It is such lovely news and I am so pleased for them. Mrs Tennant will stay as long as she can during the autumn term. I will keep you updated as we recruit her maternity cover.

School Lunches

Please note that the cost of a hot lunch will increase to £2.20 as of 1st September 2017.

Outstanding Payments

As we end this academic year, please ensure that all outstanding payments are settled in full no later than Wednesday 19th July, e.g. dinner money, trips, Out of School Club, Nursery fees, music lessons. Thank you.

Kenilworth Lions Commemorative Bench

You may have noticed a new bench has appeared in the playground, along with a beautiful young tree. The Kenilworth Lions have kindly made this donation to all Kenilworth primary schools. The Lions work hard in the community with a variety of projects and really wanted to give something to all of the primary schools.

Our bench was officially opened by the Mayor, Kate Dickson, in a special ceremony yesterday. The press came and it was lovely for St John's to mark the occasion for all the primary schools. Thank you to the Lions for their kindness, which will live on and be enjoyed for many years to come.



PTA Summer Fair

A big thank you to all of the PTA for making the Summer Fair such a lovely community event this year. Amanda, Nicole and the rest of team worked tirelessly on the day to make sure it went well. The Mayor even attended, along with a spy from another school's PTA! I had such a lovely day and really appreciate the time and effort that went in to making it a success. We have made over £1000 profit from this event, so thank you.

