



# St John's Newsletter

Friday 10th June 2022

## *An update from Mr. Rubin...*

I hope you had a good half term break. We now begin the final half term and as ever, there is a lot to pack in. By now, you will have had the opportunity to meet your child's class teacher. It was lovely to see so many of you in the school. On Thursday, the Early Years presented their Class Assembly, the first one we have had in over two years – they were fantastic!

Speaking of lovely events, thank you to Mrs Jheeta, staff, families and friends who supported and took part in our Queen's Jubilee. The playground was packed and so many of you volunteered your time and energies to donate baked goods for this event. I am sure Her Majesty would have been very proud!

Have a lovely weekend and be kind to one another.

### **St John's Food Bank**

Our Value of the Term is Koinonia so we will be reflecting on the importance of community. I wanted to thank our staff who gave up their time in the holidays to support our foodbank. We were open across both schools and it was very busy. If you would like some support with food, do please email us on [parents@st-johns.towerhamlets.sch.uk](mailto:parents@st-johns.towerhamlets.sch.uk)



### **GATE OPENING AT START AND END OF SCHOOL DAY**

**Please note that due to the change in timetabling, the school gate will be open from 8:55am every morning and 3:25pm every afternoon.**

## Class Assemblies

Our assembly season has started! Congratulations to everyone in our Early Years and of course to Ms Pink, Ms Kayla and Mrs Stevens.

Mrs Jheeta told me that the performance was incredible and the children were amazing. We had around twenty parents/carers in the hall. It was so lovely to have everyone back!



## Artis Update

We are so grateful to have Pop and Artis with us every Monday. Artis helps to integrate the arts through the children's learning and we are delighted that we are able to have it here at St. John's.

This could not be done without the generosity of Dasha Shenkman who has enabled this to take place. For more information about the work Artis do, have a look at their website

<https://www.artisfoundation.org.uk/>

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## Sports Day – Save the Date! EYFS July 6<sup>th</sup> Y1-6 July 8<sup>th</sup>

Sports Day is coming to St. Johns in July at Victoria Park. A picnic lunch to follow and all parent & carers are invited. More information in the weeks ahead.



387 followers and counting keep up to date with the school @5tJohnsTower It is the best way to get the latest information on what is happening in our school



# St John's Jubilee Celebrations. Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2022



To celebrate the Queen's Jubilee Mrs Jheeta organised an incredible tea party for everyone. The playground was packed as our school community came together to celebrate Her Majesty's 70 years on the throne. Thank you to all our volunteers who gave up their time. It was such a lovely atmosphere in the playground. A big thankyou to Mrs. Jheeta for organising.



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# Parenting Smart – Online Course

Parents and Carers of 4-11 year olds can now access our free online course providing you with **extra tools to deal with everyday parenting challenges.**

The course aims to help you **strengthen your relationship with your child** and **respond helpfully to challenging behaviour.** You can also join discussions with other parents in your group from across the UK.

Designed to fit around busy family lives, the 7-week course can be **broken down into short 15-minute sections** and you can access it from your mobile phone, tablet or any other device.

All of the content is based on the latest evidence and experience from Place2Be's Parenting Team, in partnership with South London and Maudsley-NHS Foundation Trust.

- ✓ Free
- ✓ No fixed times
- ✓ Accessible from any device
- ✓ Hear from other parents around the UK
- ✓ Place2Be professional on hand to support learning



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[place2be.org.uk/family](https://place2be.org.uk/family)  
or talk to the Place2Be staff member in your school.





## **Supporting Year 6 Children's Transition to Secondary School**

### **Calling all Year 6 Parents!**

St John's will be hosting a coffee morning for Year 6 parents to discuss supporting children's emotional wellbeing around their move to Secondary School.

This will be a chance to hear ideas and tips around themes such as managing anxiety and building confidence during this time - from the Place2Be Family Practitioner and the Place2Be School Counsellor. It will also be a great opportunity to meet with other parents and share ideas and thoughts around this change.

**Would be great to see you there!**

**When: Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June, 9am**

**Where: St John's CE Primary School  
in the Community Room (Early  
Years Building).**



*Please let the school know if you are going to attend by emailing  
[parents@st-johns.towerhamlets.sch.uk](mailto:parents@st-johns.towerhamlets.sch.uk)  
or calling 020 8980 1142 , or letting a member of staff know at the school gate!*

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## Term Dates and Holidays - 2021/ 2022

### Autumn Term 2021 (71 days)

Staff Training	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September
	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September
	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September
First Day of Term	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> September
Half Term	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> October
Second half of term	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> November
Last Day of Term	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December

<i>Christmas Day</i>	<i>Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> December</i>
<i>Boxing Day</i>	<i>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> December</i>

### Spring Term 2022 (58 days)

<i>New Year's Day</i>	<i>Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> January</i>
<i>New Year's Day</i>	<i>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> January (substitute day)</i>
Staff Training	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January
First Day of Term	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> January
Half Term	Mon. 14 <sup>th</sup> to Fri. 18 <sup>th</sup> February
Second half of term	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> February
Last Day of Term	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> April

<i>Good Friday</i>	<i>Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April</i>
<i>Easter Monday</i>	<i>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April</i>

### Summer Term 2022 (63 days)

First Day of Term	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April
Staff Training	Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> April
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May
Half Term	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> May to Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June
Second half of term	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June
Last Day of Term	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July

<i>Ramadan begins</i>	<i>Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> April* 2022</i>
<i>Eid Al-Fitr</i>	<i>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May* 2022</i>
<i>Eid Al-Adha</i>	<i>Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2020</i>

190 School Days, 5 Staff Training Days (2 to be arranged)

\* to be confirmed