



St John's Newsletter

9th October 2020

An update from Mr Rubin...

I hope you are all keeping well. It has been another busy week at school. Our Senior Leadership Team met with teaching staff to discuss how children are progressing. Hopefully you will see from some of the pictures in the newsletter today how hard the children are working. When I walk around the classrooms, I am struck by the focus and enthusiasm of the children along with the quality of teaching. As I have said in earlier editions of the newsletter, we have also wanted to make sure that we keep in mind that coming to school isn't just about catching up with everything that was missed. We have our recovery curriculum in place and I am so proud that on top of the work around our core subjects, there is a focus on the arts and physical and mental health. Happy children learn and I think we have excellent provision here at the school.

Have a lovely weekend, stay safe and be kind to one another.



EYFS Update Mrs Brownbill

Welcome to all new pupils in the EYFS! We are so happy to welcome you to our school. For some of you this is your first experience of being away from home, and we would like to thank you for being so brave and settled this week. We are really excited by all you're going to learn and achieve this year at school.

Music Update

Mrs Bahi has introduced a new initiative to enhance our knowledge and love of music with 'Musician of the Week'. Children have been learning about Jimmy Cliff and Nina Simone over the last couple of weeks both in class and at lunchtime.

There will be some more exciting information to share with you in the next edition about music provision.





School Council Update

I am so pleased to share the news with you that we have our school council up and running for the academic year ahead.

Voting took place and children are looking forward to representing their classes. The first piece of business was to reinstate non-uniform days for the classes with the best attendance.

Internet Safety Workshops

These have now taken place with every child in class one to six. Children learnt strategies on how to stay safe when they are online. There were drama workshops and the children could share a lot of knowledge and had fun. A big thank you to Mrs. Moses for organising.



Oracy Update – Ms Wall and Ms. Pink

Children at St John's have been putting oracy into action! Class 1 were using 'greater than, less than and equal to' language, while Class 5 held a P4C discussion around their English text, 'The Highwayman'. Lots of instigator and builder language was being used. Do ask your child to explain this to you!



NHS Flu Jabs

You will have been written to by the NHS about flu jabs. Please note that the scheduled date for this is 8th December with parental consent,.



We now have 227 followers on Twitter. Thank you to everyone who has signed up. Please follow us @5tJohnsTower – it's a great way to see what is happening in school.

Class 3 Update Mr. Smee

Year 3 have been having a great time learning about Earthquakes this week. Check out their earthquake-resistant junk model buildings - just in time for Recycling Week!



RE Update

Class 6 are pictured listening to our School Librarian Shaju who spoke to the class about the importance of Umrah and his own spiritual journey. Part of our work around oracy involves children becoming active listeners, digesting the information that is presented to them and responding by asking relevant questions. There were some fantastic questions from our Y6 pupils.



'I think that Jesus taught Christians to be kind and thoughtful'.
Mason Class 2



Bethnal Green After School Club

Bethnal Green After School Club is Ofsted-registered, and open to children aged 3 to 11.

There are two branches of the club:

Globe Primary, Gawber St, OFSTED: 2549328 and **Bangabandhu Primary**, Wessex Street, OFSTED: 2549327

Both are open **Monday—Friday, 3 pm—6 pm.**

Cost is £11 per child, per afternoon.

Children are picked up from Bangabandhu, Bonner, Globe, Hague, St Johns and John Scurr Primary Schools, and Rachel Keeling nursery.

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