

## Good bye and good luck to Y6

Can it really be that time of year already when our Year 6 pupils prepare to leave us and move on to their high schools. They have been a fantastic bunch of young people and we would all like to wish them the best of luck and every success for their time at high school. You have done us proud!

We would also like to say thank you and goodbye to the parents whose links with St John's also end today. Thank you for all the support you have shown over the past few years. For those parents who still have children at school, we look forward to seeing you all on Tuesday 4th September.

Have a very happy, restful and safe holiday and let's hope the sun stays around for a few more weeks.



## What events have taken place this term?

We all know schools are really about teaching and learning, and lots of time and effort goes into ensuring we do the best we can for your children. We were very pleased when Ofsted recognized this and judged us as a 'Good' school. But apart from this, what else have we all been up to? Here's a reminder:

Inspire Workshops, Football tournaments, Wednesbury Maths Quiz, Sports Day, Summer Garden Party, Frank Chapman residential week, Y6 Alton Towers, KS1 Weston-Super-Mare, the Legacy event,

Lichfield Music Share, 100% days, KS1 Disco, KS2 Disco, KS 1 Production of Alice in Wonderland, Open Door Sessions. Teamworkz, after school clubs and Y6 Electric Theatre....and that's just the summer term.

To be able to make all of the above happen for your children, I would like to say a massive thank you to all the staff who have given up their free time after school, late evenings and overnight. They do this voluntarily from their own goodwill-even changing their own plans at times if needed so thank you one and all.

## Collection of Pupils

After seeking advice from various professional bodies and reading various pieces of guidance, we will not be allowing any of our pupils to be taken home with a sibling under the age of 16. This is as per the RoSPA and NSCPCC guidance.



## Changes for September.

### Staff

In September, we will be welcoming some new members of staff into the St. John's family.

Miss Walker will be the teacher in Reception class and Mr Bassi will be the teacher in Year 3. Both of them are really looking forward to joining us and to teaching your children.



### School Meals

From September our school meals will be provided by a new company called Mellors. They will be working with a number of schools in Wednesbury and supporting our cooks. You will be receiving more detailed information regarding payments and menus. Meals will cost £2.25.



### Building work

Over the last few weeks we have had builders in school who have been enlarging and decorating 2 classrooms. Fingers crossed this will all be completed by the time the children return in September. In the future, we hope to continue to improve the learning environment for the children. We also hope to have some extra equipment on the sports field from September so there will be lots of work going on during the holidays to make things even better for our pupils.



## Social Media Sites and E-Safety

E-Safety is very important and we teach our pupils how to stay safe online.

### DID YOU KNOW?



What is the minimum age for account holders on these social media sites and apps?

Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms	
13	Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, Pinterest, Google+, Tumblr, Reddit, Snapchat, Secret
14	LinkedIn
16	WhatsApp
17	Vine, Tinder
18	Path
18 / 13 with parent's permission	YouTube, WeChat, Keek, Kik, Foursquare, Flickr

Age specified in the platform's terms of service as of 09/2014.  
linneyville.com

## **100% Club**

Attendance and punctuality is important to the school but also the children as it teaches them to have a good work ethic for when they are older . With the children being in school it allows us to educate them and it helps them to develop long lasting friendships whilst learning how to socialise with others.

The department for education have changed the persistent absenteeism figure to below 90%. Should your child's attendance figure drop below 90% you will get a letter from school in the first instance as you are then classed as a persistent absentee. You will be asked to provide evidence for future absences. Should the attendance not radically improve then we will refer to the attendance and prosecution service. It is a parents, parental duty to ensure their child attends school regularly. (Above 96%). The new target for acceptable attendance is 96%. If your child's attendance is below 96% they are below the national average for primary school attendance.

**Each Year more and more children achieve their 100% badges so well done to each and every one of you who has earned a badge this year.**

# 100%



## **Dates for your Dairy.**

### **Autumn Term 2018**

#### **September**

3rd—Teacher Training Day 1

4th—Pupils return to school

21st —Y6 Inspire 2pm

#### **October**

2nd — Parents' Evening 3.30– 6.30pm

12th—Y3 Inspire 2pm

19th—Y2 Inspire 2pm

14-18th—Y6 SATs Week

18th—Y1 Inspire Workshop 2.00—3.30

25th—Teacher Training Day2

26th—Teacher Training Day 3

26th Break up for Half-term

#### **November**

5th —Pupils return to school

5-6th—Residential Visit to Edgmond Hall

9th—Y1 Inspire Workshop 2.00—3.30

16th —YR Play and Stay (Time to be confirmed at later date)

22nd –Discos

30th—Non Uniform (blue and white for St Andrew's Day Bring a £1)

#### **December**

11th—EYFS Nativity (Time to be confirmed at later date)

12th—EYFS Nativity (Time to be confirmed at later date)

13th —KS 1 Christmas Concert (Time to be confirmed at later date)

18th —KS2 Concert (Time to be confirmed at later date)

21st— Break up for Christmas

### **January 2019**

7th Teacher Training Day 4

8th—Pupils return to school



**Please keep a look out for more school events for Spring Term on the Autumn Newsletter**

