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20 September 2024

Hello everyone,

I hope this letter finds you well and enjoying the sunny spell we have been having! It has been another busy but brilliant week at school, we have enjoyed lesson by CSSP, looked at our school bible verse during worship and even spent time on the energy wall. Thank you to all parents who were able to join the Year 1 Reading meeting. I hope that this was useful.

Next week we have our coffee morning. This is a fantastic opportunity for us to come together as a community, enjoy some lovely refreshments, and support noble causes. I encourage everyone to spread the word and invite friends and family to join us for what promises to be a delightful and meaningful morning. We would love for families to contribute by bringing in delicious homemade cakes or treats that can be enjoyed during the morning. Your baked goods play a vital role in helping us raise funds for these charities. St. Catherine's Hospice provides palliative care to those in need, while Winston's Wish offers vital support to children who have experienced the loss of a loved one. Together, we can make a difference in our community. If you're planning to bring cakes, please ensure they are nut-free, or label your items clearly if they contain allergens. Please send cakes in on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September. We want to create a safe environment for all dietary needs. The coffee morning will be in the hall from 9.15am on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September.

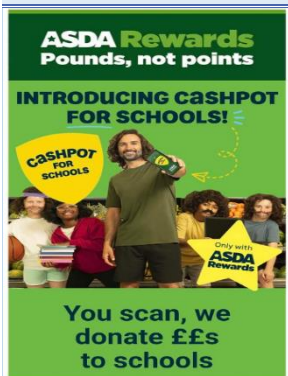
If you have not returned your medical information forms be can they be returned to school by Friday. These will cover all educational visits for this school year so if there are any medical changes during the year, please let us know.

Mrs Joanna Owen

**School lunches – Next week we are on week 2: The menu is available on our website+**

**Reminder: Friday worship starts at 3pm, everyone is welcome to join us.**

## NEWS



PLEASE SIGN UP TO ASDA REWARDS THROUGH THE APP. IT IS FREE TO SIGN UP, AND IT DOES NOT AFFECT YOUR PERSONAL REWARDS, EVEN IF YOU DO NOT SHOP IN ASDA WE EARN £1 FOR EACH PERSON THAT SIGNS UP.

Asda reward system is in place now until November 30<sup>th</sup> 2024. Asda will donate 0.5% of your total spend to us! All you have to do is go on the app, select Brinscall St John's CE & Methodist Primary School and we will start to earn rewards.

You will be able to view in the app how much money school is earning throughout the scheme. Any money we can earn, will be used to support our school family.

**We have currently raised £130, Let's keep it going!**

### NEW PARENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2025!

Applications are now open for the new 2025 reception intake. We are holding an open afternoon, stay and play event for prospective parents and children on **Wednesday 2nd October** at 1.30pm. If you would like to attend, please ring the school office to book your place.



### TEMPEST INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY PHOTOS – 24.9.24

All children will have an individual photo as well as a photo with their sibling/s during the morning on Tuesday. If you would like to bring any pre-school children in for a photograph with their siblings, please bring them to the front entrance at 8.30 am. Photographs will be in the school hall. You will receive a proof within a few days and you can purchase photos on-line via Tempest Ltd. There is absolutely no obligation to purchase any photographs.



### RECEPTION STAY AND PLAY

On **Wednesday 25th September** we will be holding our first stay and play event for the current reception children. This will start at 2pm and is an opportunity for you to come into school and spend some time learning with your child within their classroom.



### OUT OF SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS

If your child receives a personal award out of school we would love to celebrate this in school. This will be completed during Key stage worships. If your child is in EYFS/Y1/Y2 – They should bring their award in on a Wednesday. If your child is in Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6 – They should bring their award in on a Tuesday. We look forward to celebrating their successes.

### ST JOHN'S SUPERSTAR AWARD WINNERS

**YEAR 6:** George  
**YEAR 5:** Sofia  
**YEAR 4:** Pixie  
**YEAR 3:** Robyn  
**YEAR 2:** Florence  
**YEAR 1:** Louis  
**YEAR R:** Alaina



### WELFARE AWARD

**YEAR 6:** Lily  
**YEAR 5:** Freya  
**YEAR 4:** Joshua  
**YEAR 3:** Sami  
**YEAR 2:** Elizabeth  
**YEAR 1:** Parker  
**YEAR R:** Peter

### LIVING OUT THE VALUES AWARD

**YEAR 6:** Leia  
**YEAR 5:** Evie  
**YEAR 4:** Esther  
**YEAR 3:** Raife  
**YEAR 2:** Max  
**YEAR 1:** Matilda  
**YEAR R:** Finlay



### CLASS NEWS

#### RECEPTION

Well, it's been a funny week couple of weeks in YR! We've been reading the story 'Supertato' and suddenly we found lots of vegetables that had been trapped in various ways in our classroom! After investigating, we discovered that Evil Pea was on the loose and he was responsible for trapping the vegetables. Thankfully YR were the best superheroes around as we managed to help rescue them. We set about making all sorts of traps to try and help catch Evil Pea. We have also enjoyed listening to the story 'Handa's surprise'. We have been using our senses of noticing, smelling and tasting whilst trying different fruit. We tried pineapple, passion fruit, mango, banana and orange. Grandma Fantastic visited us and brought us 5 new words to learn and we had a go at using them in our own oral sentences. They are: delicious, scrumptious, luscious and delectable. Have a go at home too!

#### YEAR 1

In Year 1 we have been researching the movements and sounds of zoo animals to support our English learning. In RE we have made creations we are proud of and marvelled at God's world, thinking about how he must have felt to create something so beautiful. We are continuing to 'fill up our buckets' by being kind and caring to those around us. In PE our fundamental skills are helping us stay fit and healthy and we are taking our learning outdoors as often as we can across different subjects.

#### YEAR 2

Year 2 have been working hard this week rewriting the ending of our first English text, 'Little Red Reading Hood', whilst continuing to practise our letter formation and remember our new spelling patterns. We have been challenged to partition two-digit numbers in a variety of ways in maths and have used practical equipment to support our new learning. We have been busy drawing natural objects from the playground such as leaves, branches and pine cones in Art in the style of Andy Goldsworthy. We have begun our new local history topic looking at Houghton Tower and have started to look at timelines and how they are used. In science the children have been looking at a variety of materials and investigated their different properties this week. The children have had a really successful first few weeks settling in to Year 2.



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### YEAR 3

We have continued to develop our place value knowledge this week in maths and linked this to partitioning into ones, tens and hundreds. In English, we have worked on using verbs and adverbs to develop the action in our short story. We began our science unit of 'Animals, including humans' and explored different types of skeletons. We looked at pictures of Stone Age artefacts in history and tried to work out what they were, what they were made of and who might have used them. Our first Spanish session introduced us to some words and phrases to say hello and goodbye. We learnt how to push throw in one of our PE sessions, and we had our first invasion games session with Gary from Chorley Schools Sports Partnership. We finished the week in PSHE thinking about how we can have a balanced diet.

### YEAR 4

What a busy couple of weeks Year 4 have had! We have finished four first piece of writing in Year 4 and we have done amazing! Learning out times tables is well underway and we are enjoying lots of different games! In Science, we have started learning all about teeth which freaked some of us out a little bit. Our History lessons allowed us to explore Anglo Saxon settlements and we were able to get arty and geographical all in one when we created our own settlement mat. It was strange thinking about a world without supermarkets and the internet! In Pe, we have carried on our OAA unit and focussed on teamwork and communication. We have found out the importance of great communication to make sure everyone is happy and safe during activities.

### YEAR 5

Year 5 have been hard at work! They've enjoyed the visit of Bikeability and all did an excellent job during our afternoon in the yard. They learnt about basic bike maintenance and safety, and practised signalling and safe manoeuvring of their bikes, playing games to practice controlling them. They also enjoyed the visit of Mr Souter, who delivered Debt Aware, a programme to teach children about finance and being responsible with money. They learnt about how money is saved and spent, the reasons that people may take on debt, and the difference between wants and needs. Year 5 also enjoyed looking at plant life cycles and growth in science. They've dissected flowers and tried propagating plants. We've enjoyed looking at teamwork and games in PE.

### YEAR 6

Year 6 have been looking at various aspects of WWII. This has been done through our English where we have been reading Letters from The Lighthouse, our art and design work where we are looking at poppy-themed stained-glass windows and our history unit where we are focusing on The Battle of Britain. We have moved on to look at addition, subtraction, multiplication and division in maths and we have also enjoyed a visit from Mr Souter who worked with us on money issues through the Debt Aware scheme.

#### Attachments this week include:

- ✓ Letter join home access
- ✓ Here is the link for the questionnaire:  
[https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=amZrHib\\_pEWO7AMKOG2c4gIF-BE5TERGkhOpqnTxHb9UQjc3UDhNWlQ3Wfk4UE9LVE8wREVNMTQ0SC4u](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=amZrHib_pEWO7AMKOG2c4gIF-BE5TERGkhOpqnTxHb9UQjc3UDhNWlQ3Wfk4UE9LVE8wREVNMTQ0SC4u)