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Hello everyone,

It was lovely to see so many families come to have their photographs taken this week, I even got all the staff to have their photograph taken - you all looked incredible! I can't wait to see the proofs.

You may have already seen our new signs regarding safe parking, which have been put up following comments from parents. We really appreciate your feedback and are always looking for ways to improve the safety of our school environment. The new signs are located on the double yellow lines, so please remember to keep these areas clear. We understand that dropping off and picking up can be a bit hectic, but please be mindful of where you're parking. The double yellow lines are there for a reason, and we want to ensure that our roads remain clear for everyone to feel safe, and especially for emergency vehicles. If we all take a moment to consider where we park, we can make a big difference. Thank you for your understanding and support! Let's work together to keep our school area as safe as possible.

A huge thank you to everyone who came along to our coffee morning yesterday in support of Winston's Wish and St Catherine's Hospice! It was fantastic to see so many smiling faces gathered together, enjoying a lovely cuppa and some delicious treats. We'd like to extend a special shout-out to all those who baked or brought cakes for the event. Your generosity and culinary skills were truly appreciated, and the variety of cakes on offer was simply mouth-watering! From sumptuous chocolate brownies to delightful fairy cakes, each bite was a treat. Not only did we have a lovely morning filled with chat and laughter, but we also raised vital funds for two incredible causes. We are still counting up all the donations, and we can't wait to share the total raised in next week's newsletter. Your contributions will make a real difference, and we're grateful for your support.

We are absolutely thrilled to announce that our first Grandparents Afternoon is just around the corner! So many of you have snapped up tickets, and it's shaping up to be a fantastic event. Tickets will be sent home with your child on Monday, so keep an eye out for that envelope! Just a little reminder: please make sure to bring your ticket on the day. It will have your name and table number on it, which will help us keep everything organised and running smoothly. We genuinely hope that this is the first of many Family Fridays we can share together, as it's such a wonderful opportunity to celebrate our families and the invaluable role that grandparents play in our lives. We can't wait to see all the smiles and enjoy a lovely afternoon filled with fun, laughter, and cherished memories!

Huge thank you to you all for your continued support and Kindness,

Every blessing,

Mrs Joanna Owen

School lunches – Next week we are on week 1: The menu is available on our website

Reminder: Playtime snacks should be healthy choice



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PLEASE NOTE:

THERE IS NO WORSHIP ON FRIDAY 4TH OCTOBER DUE TO OUR GRANDPARENTS AFTERNOON

Parents evening appointments will be available to book from Tuesday 1st October – more information to follow.

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 $\pounds 1$ FOR EACH PERSON THAT SIGNS UP.

Asda reward system is in place now until November 30th 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 £150, 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.

NUT FREE POLICY

We want to ensure a safe environment for all our children, especially those with nut allergies. Therefore, we have implemented a nut-free policy within the school. We kindly ask that you refrain from including any nuts in your child's snacks or packed lunches. This small adjustment makes a significant difference in protecting the health of our allergy-prone students. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this policy, please do not hesitate to contact the school office. Thank you for your understanding and support in keeping our school safe for everyone!

Would you like to take your family to a pantomime and sit with other families from our school? If so, please let Mrs Pullin know by via email with the number of tickets you require. Tickets will cost £9.50 each. We will add you to Parent Pay when you reply. Unfortunately, we are not able to provide goody bags this year, due to Chorley Theatre's policy of no food to



be eaten in the theatre other than refreshments purchased from them. Please state how many adult and how many child tickets you want. There are 70 places and this is always a popular event so don't miss out and reply as soon as you can! Families will need to find their own way to the pantomime. There is plenty of parking nearby.

PTFA

Our PTFA to a wonderful job supporting our school and raising money that can be used to benefit our children. This year the PTFA will be hosting the following events:

PTFA meeting(all welcome!) Weds 30th October @ 6pm

- PTFA discos- Infants & Juniors Weds 13th Nov
- PTFA pantomime- Sat 30th November @ 1.30pm
- -PTFA chocolate Bingo- Thurs 13th Feb
- Summer fair- Friday 20th June



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If you would like to become involved in the PTFA, please contact the school office, Thank you

ATTENDANCE POLICY

We have updated our attendance policy, which reflects the new guidance from the DfE implemented from August. This aims to support all children in achieving the best possible outcomes. Attendance is crucial to success, and we encourage everyone to make it a priority. Attached, you'll find our overview letter and the revised policy for your reference. We appreciate your cooperation and commitment to ensuring our children are present and engaged. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out. Let's work together to foster a positive learning environment! The policy is also available on our school website.



DIVERSITY WEEK

We are excited to announce National Diversity Week at our school! Diversity week is all about celebrating the rich tapestry of cultures and perspectives that make our community/country so special. Throughout the week, the children will dive into a variety of activities designed to promote understanding and appreciation of diversity.

One of the highlights will be World Mental Health Day, where on Thursday 10th October, everyone is encouraged to wear yellow to show their support!

On Friday 11th October we'll be hosting our first parent showcase at 3.30pm. This is a fantastic chance for the children to present the amazing work they've done throughout the week and share what they've learned with you.

If you're unable to attend but would like to see your child's work, simply drop a message to their teacher on Seesaw. They'll happily take a screenshot of the work and send it your way.

ST JOHN'S SUPERSTAR AWARD WINNERS

YEAR 6: Alfie YEAR 5: Alyster YEAR 4: Jonah YEAR 3: George YEAR 2: Elliott YEAR 1: Erin YEAR R: Harry



WELFARE AWARD

YEAR 6: Maia YEAR 5: Amelia YEAR 4: Tommy YEAR 3: Aria YEAR 2: Jessica YEAR 1: Charlie YEAR R: Finlay

LIVING OUT THE VALUES AWARD

YEAR 6: Betty
YEAR 5: Amelia
YEAR 4: Tom
YEAR 3: Amalia
YEAR 2: Isabel
YEAR 1: Annie
YEAR R: Pearl



AFTER SCHOOL CLUB NEWS









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In club this week we have been very busy doing our autumn crafts and building a flat pack in the hall. We all loved colouring in the flat pack once it was built. On Thursday we helped run the Coffee morning.

Today is National Teaching Assistant Day, we are very lucky that we are blessed with amazing teaching assistant so I wanted to give them a special shout out! Thank you for being you!

Attachments this week include:

- ✓ Allergen and Anaphylaxis Policy
- √ Attendance letter to parents
- √ Attendance policy