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Summer Term Newsletter 9
Value ~ responsibility

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Dear Parents,

It's been a hot week! The children have coped well and have been really sensible in the heat. Next week we will return to normal school uniform as the weather forecasts are predicting a return to cooler weather.

This weekend is an important weekend for those families marking the end of Ramadan. I would like to take this opportunity to wish Eid Mubarak to everyone who is celebrating Eid.

Reception Class Assembly

The children in Penguin Class performed their first assembly today. The assembly was about mini beasts, and the children looked splendid in their black outfits and antennae head dress. The children all spoke clearly and recited facts and poems about mini beasts. It was a super first assembly and the reception staff were very proud of all the children.

Swimming Gala – Years 3 and 4

We have had our first two swimming galas this week. Well done to all the children who took part – they showed great determination. Several parents commented on how impressed they were with the way the children supported each other.

Reception, Years 1, 2, 5 and 6 will all be swimming next week. If you have not yet paid a contribution towards your child's swimming lessons, the office would still love to receive them.

Library Books

We are currently installing a new library cataloguing system, which will enable children to log books in and out using a system of bar codes. So that we can ensure the new system is up and running for September, we are asking for **all** library books to be returned by **Friday 7th July**. We are also going to hold a **Book Amnesty**. So if you discover any additional books at home that belong to St John's, please take this opportunity to return these too. There will be an Amnesty Book Box in the playground on July 5th, 6th and 7th.

Mrs Lister would really appreciate some help with setting up the new system, which will involve sticking bar codes onto books. If you are available on Friday 14th July in the morning, Monday 17th in the afternoon or Wednesday 19th in the morning, Mrs Lister would love to hear from you. Please speak to Mrs Lister in Year 2 or let the office know if you are able to help.

Summer Fair

The PTA have been busy organising and preparing for the Summer Fair, which takes place next Saturday 1st July from 12:00 – 3:00pm. We are in need of volunteers to help before, during and after the fair. We would be grateful if anyone can spare any amount of time to assist us. Please see Mrs Bowry (Year 6 class teacher) if you are able to help.



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Additionally, we require help on Friday afternoon from 1:30 – 3:00pm in our Family Room. Please come along if you can.

Raffle Tickets

We hope you are busy selling the raffle tickets for the Summer Fair. As usual, there are some fantastic prizes. Please make sure they are returned to school by the end of next week. If you have any tickets you are unable to sell, please return these as well so that we can sell them at the Summer Fair.

Mufti Day

Whilst on the subject of the Summer Fair, next Friday will be Mufti Day with a beach theme. Your child may wear appropriate beach clothes (**no swimwear**) to school **in return for a bottle contribution towards the tombola**. Many thanks for your support.

Online Payments

The school will be moving to a new online system for payments next month. The last day for parents to pay online using the current 'Tucassi' system will be on Friday 30th June. Details regarding the new payment system will be announced in due course.

Swimming

The swimming pool is available for hire seven days a week (outside of school hours) until **Sunday 13th August**. The cost of hire is as follows:

Small group (max 5 people) - £18 per hour
Party - £27 per hour

Please contact the School Office if you would like to make a booking or download a Hire of School Premises Form from our website at <http://www.stjohnsknaphill.co.uk/about-us/swimming-pool>

Attendance

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	<u>Year 6</u>
91.76	97.09	95.00	89.55	96.79	96.80	97.59	<u>97.92</u>

Our whole school attendance last week was 95.96%, which is above our whole school target of 95.5% so well done to everybody. Special mention for Year 6 who just pipped Year 5 with the highest attendance at 97.92% for the week.

Punctuality – number of late marks

15 May – 19 May	22 May – 26 May	5 June – 9 June	12 June – 16 June
21	33	19	30

Sadly an increase in the number of lates last week. If you know you have been late several times over the last few weeks, please make an extra effort to be on time next week.

Children's Centre News

Is your child going to school in September?
Are they ready?

Do you have any concerns or worries?
Are you ready?

Come along to our drop-in session on
Monday 3rd July at 9.00 am or
Tuesday 4th July at 2.00 pm
to find out what it means to be ready for school and pick up an information pack
full of hints and tips to make settling-in to school life stress free.

Gill, Louisa and Carol

Yours sincerely,
Miss Sarah May
Head of School