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Dear Parents,

Thank you to everyone who supported the School Council cake sale today. We will let you know how much the School Council raised for class libraries after half term.

Good news from the PTA! The School Disco made £370 profit. The next PTA event will be Cinema Night on 17th November.

Global Citizen Week

This week the children have been learning about our world and their part in it. The children in Key Stage 1 and Reception have been learning about the lives of children around the world, how to be environmentally friendly and have also tasted different fruits from around the world. Key Stage 2 children have used a variety of different world maps to locate countries, capital cities and landmarks. They have also had lessons with different teachers throughout the week and have learnt about food miles, rights and responsibilities, food waste and the danger of plastic to our environment. Please talk to your children about the week and help their learning and understanding develop even further.

Congratulations to Manha, Joshua, Kristina, Gabriel, Phrinzes, Lily-Mai and Thomas who were the winners of our class competition.

INSET Day

Please remember that Monday 30th October is an INSET day so your child will not return to school until Tuesday 31st October.

Parent Workshop

Following the success of our Parent Workshop earlier this month, we are holding another one on Friday 3rd November from 2:00–3:00pm. Mrs Bowry and Miss May will be leading this workshop with a focus on column addition and subtraction. It will be particularly relevant to parents of children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6, although parents of children in younger years are also welcome to attend. During the workshop, we will be demonstrating how we teach column addition and subtraction, so no prior knowledge is necessary. Please put the date in your diary!

Individual and Sibling Photos

Order forms for your child's individual and sibling photos went home on Monday. There is a 15% discount for all purchases made online before Wednesday 8th November.

Times Tables Rock Stars

St John's has its first rock star legend! Harry in Year 6 has reached a speed of under 60 seconds – well done Harry!



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Battle of the Bands

We have been impressed by the children's enthusiasm for Times Table Rock Stars. We are delighted to announce that over half term we are launching our very first BATTLE of the BANDS (Y3 v Y4 and Y5 v Y6). From Monday to Friday of half term, children can play in any game format and earn points for their class. There will be special certificates presented to the MVPs – Most Valuable Players.

Year 6 – Football Tournament

Last Friday, our Year 6 football team had its first outing at the Danone Nations Cup qualifying tournament. Twenty-four schools were there and we played five short matches in our group. We lost our first game against Brookwood, 3–0. Our captain, Sam, made a change of formation for the second match against St Lawrence... and we lost 1–0. Slowly improving... but still no goals. Were we defeated? Of course not! It just made the team more determined to get a win! Our third match was against Westfield and we won 3–0! A hat trick from Sam – truly leading from the front! Next up was Bisley – a very strong team, so we played a defensive formation, held them to 1–1 (a goal from Sami) for most of the second half... losing (just) 2–1 as they scored in the final minute. Finally, we played the International School, and won 2–0 with goals from Sami and James.

There was brilliant goalkeeping from Steven throughout. The whole team had great stamina and held their positions well, working hard as a team. They get along very well as a group and are very supportive of each other, having been in the same class together for years! They represented St John's beautifully!

Thank you as always to the ever-enthusiastic supporters club of parents, grandparents, very small brothers and (after 3pm) some of our own pupils! It's great to have people shouting for us... and feeding the team fruit and biscuits! Almost all of the team then went on to the school disco! What a day!

Year 6 – Football League Match

On Wednesday, our Year 6 football team played their first league match of the year, at Byfleet. We were down 1-0 and then 2-0 - did our boys give up? Absolutely not! Tyler, our captain for the match, scored a goal to give us a more respectable scoreline and then, just before the full time whistle blew, Sam scored a dramatic equaliser from a free kick. The final score 2-2 between two well matched teams.

Man of the match was Steven, our goalkeeper, who made many heroic and fearless saves, earning the respect of everyone. Thank you to the supporters club - good humoured, noisy and supportive as ever!

Year 3 - Football Festival

On Tuesday morning, the children of Year 3 went to a Football Festival at Winston Churchill School. The children spent the morning playing a variety of different fun football activities with 5 other local primary schools. The festival was great fun and the children represented the school superbly due to their positive attitude, enthusiasm and respectful behaviour. Our thanks go to Winston, especially the Year 10 students, who organised the whole event really well.

Christmas Cards & Gifts

The children have been busy working on Christmas designs at school. A form has been sent home with your child today if you would like to purchase professionally printed Christmas cards or gifts bearing your child's artwork. These will make ideal gifts for grandparents and other family members! You will need to use the login code provided on the leaflet to view your child's artwork. The designs look fabulous!

Blooming Great Tea Party Success

Back on the 7th September, our Year 2 Teaching Assistant, Mrs Stillwell, organised a Blooming Great Tea Party in aid of the Marie Curie charity. I am pleased to announce that the event raised £288 for this charity that provides care and support to people with terminal illnesses and their families. Thank you to all the members of staff who supported the event.

Stars of the Week

Y1 – Joshua & Lola
Y2 – Vinnie & Jack
Y3 – Bill & Razan
Y4 – Abigail & Skye
Y5 – Samuel & Amy
Y6 – Caitlyn & Thomas



Attendance

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	<u>Year 6</u>
89.39	92.50	94.45	94.67	90.48	93.79	97.69	<u>97.86</u>

The whole school attendance last week was 93.56% which is below our target of 95.5%. Well done to Year 6 who just pipped Year 5 with 97.86% for the week.

Punctuality – number of late marks

4 Sept – 8 Sept	11 Sept – 15 Sept	18 Sept – 22 Sept	25 Sept – 29 Sept	2 Oct – 6 Oct	9 Oct – 13 Oct	16 Oct – 20 Oct
3	19	24	29	22	36	

A very disappointing week for lates – let's make a real effort to improve this next half term.

Children's Centre News

In the half term, we will be running a Forest School Session led by a Forest School Leader on Wednesday 25th October 2017. The session is on from 10:00-11:30am. Come along and join us in the garden for some outdoor play.

Please wear appropriate clothing as we are outside for the whole session. Enter the garden via the grey gates on Inkerman Road. Places are limited, so please book on 01483 476450 (option 4).

Louisa, Becki, Lucie and Carol

Yours sincerely,
Miss Sarah May
Head of School