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Dear Families

We have reached the end of our first half term. Time really does fly when you are busy. We have managed to pack so much in during the last seven weeks. The children and staff have been amazing and lots of learning has been going on.

Another successful week in school as we delivered our Accelerated Reader workshops and had our 'Six Weeks In' session. Thank you to our parents who managed to attend. I hope you found these useful. The Accelerated Reader PowerPoint will be available on the school website. Should you have any questions regarding this, please do let me know.

On behalf of all our team here at STJBPS, I would like to say a big thank you to all of our families for the support you have given us.

Have a relaxing and restful half term.

Best wishes

Jane Sharrock

HALF TERM

Please see the links below for ideas on how to keep your children entertained next week.



<https://www.experiencewestsussex.com/must-see/>

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/libraries/whats-on-in-libraries/sporty-stars/>

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/libraries/whats-on-in-libraries/regular-activities-by-library/>

ROWAN, HOLLY AND OAK 'WOW' DAY

Just a reminder about the forthcoming KS2 'WOW' Day, which we will be holding on Wednesday 9th November. We have planned some exciting activities for the children including a visit from the Rainbow Theatre. As we have no school trip planned this term, we would greatly appreciate a voluntary contribution of £5 to cover the cost of the Rainbow Theatre. Please note that without sufficient voluntary contributions, the visit from The Rainbow Theatre Company may have to be cancelled.



PREMIER EDUCATION KS2 NETBALL CLUB

We are pleased to announce that Premier Education will be running a KS2 Netball Club at our school on Wednesdays.

Club information

Start date:	Wednesday 2 nd November
End date:	Wednesday 7 th December (Club will restart in January)
Time:	3.20 pm until 4.20 pm
Cost:	£21, paid in advance
Availability:	20 spaces (allocated on first come, first served basis)
Kit:	Suitable sportswear and trainers



Netball training will not take place if it is raining. However, Premier Education will run indoor activities with the children instead. We would ask that children commit fully to the 6 week session, as places are limited. If your child does not wish to carry on with the club in January, we will offer places to children on the waiting list. Please contact the school office for more information.

CHELSEA SOCCER SCHOOL

Day: Fridays

Dates: Nov 4, 11, 18, 25 Dec 2, 9

Time: 15.20 – 16.20

Ages: Year 3-6

Cost: £30 (6 Sessions)

The After School Club focuses on a different key topic each week (e.g. passing, shooting, dribbling). The sessions are open and inclusive, open to all ability levels and target both boys and girls. All participants should bring warm waterproof clothing (sports kit), appropriate footwear, shin pads and a non-fizzy drink.

TO BOOK PLEASE VISIT:

www.chelseasoccerschools.co.uk

Year 3 & 4

Course Code: ASC-STJBPS-X-1 or

[CLICK HERE TO BOOK!!](#)

Years 5 & 6

Course Code: ASC-STJBPS-X-2 or

[CLICK HERE TO BOOK!!](#)

Limited spaces available on this course due to current FA guidelines around Coach – Player Ratio

Please note that you cannot book online on the day of the course

For further details please contact our Admin & Operations team – Community.Enquiries@chelseafc.com



FOUNDATION

KS2 CHOIR CLUB

After half term, from Monday 31st October, the School Choir will be preparing for Christmas. Children in Rowan, Holly and Oak classes are invited to join the O2 Choir at 3.20 pm. We have a very busy calendar of events leading up to Christmas, detailed below. The O2 Choir are invited to take part in these event too.

- Light Up The Square, Pond Green, Findon, Sunday 4th December (5.30 pm)
- Walking Nativity, Findon Village Hall to The Gun Inn, Thursday 15th December 2022 (6.15 pm)
- School Christmas Service – 15th December 2022 (9.00 am)
- Nine Lessons and Carols – St John the Baptist Church, Findon – Sunday 18th December 2022 (4 pm)



If your child would like to join Mrs Stoner on Mondays, please return a consent form.

CHARTWELLS CHRISTMAS DINNER



Chartwells will be serving Christmas dinner on Wednesday 7th December. If your child is in Rowan, Holly or Oak class, you will need to order this online www.mealselector.co.uk (cut off for ordering is 27th November). For children in Ash and Willow, and children who are eligible for Free School Meals, parents do not need to take any action, as we will order the lunch as usual.

CONSTRUCTION CLUB & SING, SIGN AND STORY CLUB

These clubs will continue after the half term break, starting w/c 31st October.

BOOK FAIR

We are holding a Scholastic Children's Book Fair in school from Tuesday 8th November to Monday 14th November. The Book Fair will be open daily from 3.30 pm to 4.30 pm.

The commission from the sales at the fair allows us to buy books for the classrooms and library, so every book you buy helps us to get new books for the school. There are many exciting books to choose from, with prices from £2.99. You can pay with cash or cheque (made payable to Scholastic Book Fairs Ltd).

Reading unlocks new worlds for all of us, so thank you for your support.

Mrs Stoner



NEWS FROM THE PTA

We had a productive meeting on Tuesday evening, finalising plans for our brand new low noise firework night, on Saturday 5th November, 5 pm - 7pm. We hope you can all come along and hope you received the recent letter, sent home in book bags. Tickets are still available. Please get in touch for more information.

We have arranged a date for Elfridges, which is happening on Monday 5th December. We are looking forward to welcoming the children back to our magical little Christmas shopping experience. We really need many volunteer elf helpers on the day, so please let us know if you are able to help, for some or all of it.

Another reminder - our first Bags2School collection has been booked for Tuesday 15th November, so have a good clear out before Christmas to help raise funds for our school. Bring in any unwanted clothes, shoes, textiles, bags, jewellery, soft toys, linen, towels and bedding to school on the morning of 15th November. Bags to be given out soon.

Please speak to one of the committee members, or email findonpta@gmail.com for any further information

Happy half term to you all and enjoy the break.

The PTA Team



Dates for Autumn Term 2022

(New dates in red)

1-31 st October	Black History Month
Mon 24th Oct – Fri 28th Oct	HALF TERM
Thurs 3 rd Nov	Year 6 Magistrates Activity
Sat 5 th Nov	PTA Fireworks
Tues 8 th Nov – Mon 14 th Nov	Book Fair – details to follow
Wed 9 th Nov	KS2 WOW DAY (visit from the Rainbow Theatre)
Thurs 10 th Nov	Year 6 Health Screening
Mon 14 th Nov – Fri 18 th Nov	Anti-Bullying Week & Road Safety Week
Tues 15 th Nov	Bag 2 School
Fri 18 th Nov	Children in Need
Sun 4 th Dec	Findon Village Light up the Square – Choir (5.30 pm)
Mon 5 th Dec	PTA Event – Elfridges (details to follow)
Thurs 8 th Dec	Oak Class Guitar Concert- parents welcome (11 am)
Fri 9 th Dec	Christmas Disco – info to follow
Tue 13 th Dec	Ash / Willow Nativity to parents (2pm)
Wed 14 th Dec	Ash / Willow Nativity to parents (6pm)
Thurs 15 th Dec	Christmas Service (Venue TBC)
Thurs 15 th Dec	Findon Village Walking Nativity – Choir (6.15 pm)
Fri 16 th Dec	Christmas Party / Father Christmas visit
Sun 18th Dec	9 Lessons and Carols at St John the Baptist Church – Choir (4 pm)