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Dear Families

Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn term. The children have very quickly settled back into school routine. As usual, we have had a busy week.

The School Council and I had our first official meeting this week and it was a great success! We did an activity around the school vision and the children discussed what they currently get being a pupil at St John the Baptist Primary School. They also explored what they would like to introduce to school to make it even better. We have a great group this year and they all contributed brilliantly with some interesting discussions. Well done to the School Council representatives!

Best wishes

Jane Sharrock



POPPY APPEAL 2022

Next week, we will have our special Remembrance Assembly on Friday. We are hoping to collect a box of lapel Poppies this weekend, and children will be able to give a donation to The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal next week. If you wish, your child can bring in some change and Emilija and Austin, our Head Girl and Head Boy, will be collecting donations at break times.

ROWAN, HOLLY AND OAK 'WOW' DAY – WEDNESDAY 9TH NOVEMBER

Here is another reminder about the forthcoming KS2 'WOW' Day, which we will be holding next 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 contributions, the visit from The Rainbow Theatre Company may have to be cancelled.



STAFF BOOK OF THE MONTH

Each month, a member of staff chooses their favourite book or books to recommend to the children. This month, Mrs. Griffiths has chosen 'Running Wild' by Michael Morpurgo. This book is an emotive chapter book, ideal for children in year 5 and 6. She has also chosen 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar'. This was one of her favourite books as a child and loved by children, young and old! The display is in the foyer, outside Rowan classroom. Having the display here means that every child passes it at least once a day, on their way in to school.



PREMIER EDUCATION KS2 NETBALL CLUB

This week, the children enjoyed the first Netball Club with Jamie from Premier Education. There are still places available at KS2 Netball Club on Wednesdays, so if your child is interested, please let us know.

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.

BOOK FAIR



The Travelling Books Book Fair will be with us from 8th November to 14th November 2022, at 3.30pm. We would like to decorate the school with as many flags as possible to celebrate our love of reading. We invite you and your child to decorate the bunting template (or templates) with images of favourite books and/or books they (or you) would like to read. We have attached a template for bunting. These can be created through drawing, colouring, painting, collage or any other creative way that you can come up with. If these could be in school by the 7th November, we can display them throughout the Book Fair.



Remember every purchase you make, means more books for the school.
We look forward to seeing you.

Mrs Tanya Stoner

NEWS FROM THE PTA

Important fireworks information!

Sadly, due to an impending weather issue with high winds this Saturday, we have had to make the difficult decision to postpone the fireworks. We have been able to rearrange the event to **Sunday 20th November at 16.30 until 18.30**, and please note the slight change of time. We really hope you can all make the new date and look forward to seeing you then! Any problems please email findonpta@gmail.com

The **BAGS2SCHOOL** collection date has been rescheduled to Wednesday, 23rd November. Bags will be given out shortly, so start digging out old clothes, textiles, shoes, bags, jewellery, soft toys, linen, towels and bedding and make the most of a declutter before Christmas!



Dates for Autumn Term 2022

(New dates in red)

Sat 5th Nov

Tues 8th Nov – Mon 14th Nov

Wed 9th Nov

Thurs 10th Nov

Mon 14th Nov – Fri 18th Nov

Fri 18th Nov

Sun 20th Nov

Wed 23rd Nov

Sun 4th Dec

Mon 5th Dec

Thurs 8th Dec

Fri 9th Dec

Tue 13th Dec

Wed 14th Dec

Thurs 15th Dec

Thurs 15th Dec

Fri 16th Dec

Sun 18th Dec

POSTPONED - PTA Fireworks

Book Fair – details to follow

KS2 WOW DAY (visit from the Rainbow Theatre)

Year 6 Health Screening

Anti-Bullying Week & Road Safety Week

Children in Need

PTA FIREWORKS at 4.30 pm

Bag2School Collection at 9 am

Findon Village Light up the Square – Choir (5.30 pm)

PTA Event – Elfridges (details to follow)

Oak Class Guitar Concert- parents welcome (11 am)

Christmas Disco – info to follow

Ash / Willow Nativity to parents (2pm)

Ash / Willow Nativity to parents (6pm)

Christmas Service (Venue TBC)

Findon Village Walking Nativity – Choir (6.15 pm)

Christmas Party / Father Christmas visit

9 Lessons and Carols at St John the Baptist Church –

Choir (4 pm)