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Dear Families

What a busy week we have had in school. The days have just flown by. The children have enjoyed playtimes outside this week and have made the most of the lovely sunshine.

All of our Open Days for prospective parents have been put in the school diary and I have already shown a couple of parents around school. We have also put an Open Afternoon in the diary for our current parents so that you can get the opportunity to see our child's teacher and see the learning that the children have done during the Autumn term. This is in the diary for Monday 16th December at 3.30pm.

The PTA and I have had our first meeting of the year to discuss the proposed plan of events and to evaluate the events from last year. We do need to widen the team of regular volunteers to ensure that all the planned events can go ahead. An enormous amount of work goes into planning and running the events and it would be great to share the load. We have a range of exciting events planned for this next academic year.

Ms Lyle and I have been reviewing the applications for School Council and we have had a large number of applications this year. What a great response from all of our children! We will finalise the list today and appoint our School Council representatives during our Collective Worship on Monday.

Have a great weekend.

Mrs Sharrock

READING AMBASSADORS



I have received a lot of applications for this year's Reading Ambassadors and been very impressed with the reasons and ideas for this role. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the children who have applied, and for their time and effort in completing the form. The children who have been chosen to take on this position of responsibility will be announced at Monday's assembly.

Mrs Wellby

NO DOGS ON GROUNDS

Please can we remind parents and carers not to bring dogs onto the school grounds at any time of the day. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

PTA NEWS

Happy Friday everyone, we have a couple of notices for you this week.

THE PTA NEED YOU!

We are currently on the look out for some specific roles within the PTA, so if you feel this is something you could help with, please do get in contact with us on findonpta@gmail.com or come and speak with one of us.

These are all vital roles that we really need some help with so that the PTA can continue to run the events that we do.

Grants Officer

- **Main duty:** To investigate trusts and organisations who might donate money to the school.
- **Key jobs:** To look for wider opportunities for bringing money into the school.
- **Needs to be:** Good at writing; organised; ideally with a background in fundraising.

Electrician Whizz

- **Main duty:** To be the expert in all thing electrics for our key PTA events.
- **Key jobs:** Be in charge of setting up electrics for our larger events. Liaising with governors regarding our current electrical needs at the school.
- **Needs to be:** Knowledgeable with electrics indoors and outdoors.

These are specific roles required but please do get in touch if you feel you can help the PTA in any other way too.

UPCOMING EVENTS

We will shortly be sharing the upcoming PTA events poster for the next few months so you can have them in your diaries but here are a couple of confirmed dates for you.

Firework Fantasia: Saturday 9th November, 6-8pm. Tickets will be on sale next week.

Bag2School: Thursday 14th November

We hope you all have a great weekend!

PTA Committee

St John the Baptist PTA

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Recent correspondence:

- **Y6 parents – Worthing High School Open Day**
- **Reception parents – meeting with Miss Cove at 2.45pm**

DATES FOR THE AUTUMN TERM

Over the weeks, we will add **new dates/events in red**, so please make sure that you regularly check this list and update your diaries.

Mon 23 September	Sing and Sign Club starts (3.20pm to 4pm – all year groups)
	Please note on 7th October, Sing and Sign Club will not be running.
Fri 27 September	Ash & Willow Construction Club starts (3.15pm – 4.15pm)
Tues 1 October	Y1-Y2 trip to Arundel Castle
Friday 4 October	Astracolour photos
Mon 7 October	KS2 trip to Wakehurst Place
Tues 8 October	Reception Parents meeting with Miss Cove (2.45pm)
	Boys' Vocal Club cancelled and will resume next week.
Wed 9 October	Y4 & Y5 Legacy Games at Angmering (information to follow)
Tues 15 October	Y1-Y6 Parents Evening (3.30pm – 6.30pm)
Wed 16 October	Harvest Festival Service led by Holly Class (9am)
	Y1-Y6 Parents Evening (3.30pm – 5.30pm)
Thurs 17 October	Y6 Heights and Weights (National Child Measurement Programme)
w/c 21 October	Year 6 Bikeability Training Course
Tues 22 October	Nasal Flu vaccinations
Wed 23 October	Six Weeks In meeting for our Reception parents (9am) – details to follow
Half-term break	28 Oct – 1 Nov
Mon 4 November	INSET DAY
Sat 9 November	PTA Fireworks event
Thurs 14 November	PTA Bag2School collection (9am)
Tues 10 December	Ash & Willow Christmas Nativity (1.30pm)
Wed 11 December	Ash & Willow Christmas Nativity (1.30pm)
Mon 16 December	Open Afternoon (3.30pm)
Fri 20 December	Last day of term