



## St John the Baptist C of E (Aided) Primary School

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### Newsletter No. 15 – Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> January 2023

Dear Families

We have welcomed all the children back for the Spring term. They have started back refreshed and jumped straight back into their learning – absolutely fantastic!

We have lots of exciting things planned for this term so keep an eye on the school diary dates and communications from the office.

Best wishes.  
Jane Sharrock

### EVERY DAY COUNTS – WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Week of 9 <sup>th</sup> Jan				
ASH	WILLOW	ROWAN	HOLLY	OAK
99%	98%	95%	100%	98%

A good start to the year for class attendance with all classes achieving 95% or above.

### PTA - THANK YOU

Ash Class are thrilled with their new workbench and rug, kindly bought for us by the PTA. The children love the rug with geometrical shapes on, not only is it comfy to sit on but it has also helped us to learn about 2D shapes, and we have learned how to sign the colours too.

This term, all the children will learn how to use the workbench and tools safely. Thank you to the PTA from Ash Class.

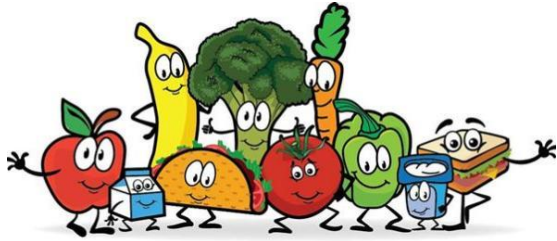


## NUT FREE SCHOOL

Please can we ask that there are no nut products in the lunch boxes or brought into the school as treats. Children who suffer from nut allergies can develop a severe, potentially life-threatening allergic reaction. We would like to remind you we are a nut free school.

## SCHOOL UNIFORM

It is good to see the children looking smart in their school uniform. However, may we remind parents that children should be wearing black shoes, wherever possible.



## CHARTWELLS NEW MEAL ORDERING SYSTEM

**Polite reminder** – FSM, UIFSM and paid meals must be selected 10 days in advance - parents have until 11.50 pm on Thursdays to place meals via ParentPay. We are here to help if you have any queries.

## NEWS FROM THE PTA

Happy New Year! We hope you all had a lovely Christmas and are eager to go in 2023.

Our next PTA meeting has been booked for Tuesday 17th January at 6pm in The Black Horse - skittle alley. We shall be discussing plans for the year, including the Summer Revels, and other fundraising events. We would love to see you there and everyone is welcome!

**On Friday 20th January, there is a non-uniform day**, whereby in exchange for children wearing 'home clothes' we are hosting a **Christmas gift amnesty drop off**. On this day, please could pupils bring in good, quality items such as bottles of alcoholic and non-alcoholic drinks, toiletries, chocolates, scented candles, children's toys and books (no soft toys please) and any other suitable items that you would be pleased to receive as a tombola prize at the Summer Revels. Thank you.

Date for your diaries - We have a Bag2School collection on Tuesday 25th April and we can hand out bags nearer the time, if required.

Any questions, please email [findonpta@gmail.com](mailto:findonpta@gmail.com)

Many thanks for your support as always.  
The PTA Team

# VOLUNTEER

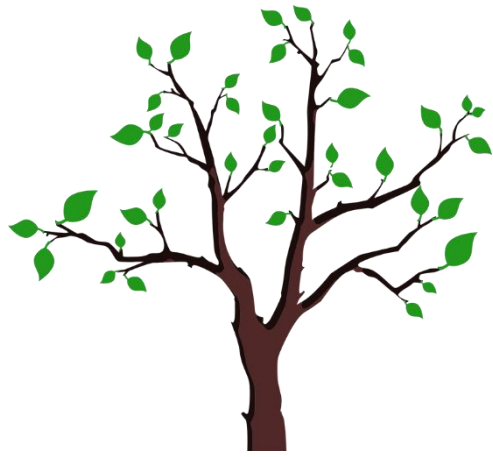


### Recent Correspondence

- Class Topic Letters
- O2 Final arrangements
- PTA News – Non-Uniform Days
- EY/KS1 – Herstmonceux Observatory visit to school
- Dani's Dance Club – Y1 to Y6

## DATES FOR 2023

We will be adding **extra dates** to the list below, so please make sure that you regularly check the dates and update your diaries.



Tues 17 Jan	PTA Meeting at The Black Horse (6 pm)
Thurs 19 Jan	Y3 & Y4 Football Tournament – please return slips
Fri 20 Jan	Non-Uniform Day – In aid of Summer Revels
Tues 24 Jan	Young Voices Concert at the O2
Mon 6 Feb	Observatory Science Centre visiting school - YR & KS1
w/c 13 Feb	Half-term holiday
Mon 20 Feb	Back to school
Tues 21 Feb	Parents Evening (3.30 – 6.30 pm)
Wed 22 Feb	Parents Evening (3.30 – 5.00 pm)
Sun 5 Mar	Choir singing at church (10 am)
Thurs 9 Mar	KS2 Author Visit
w/c 3 Apr	Easter Holiday
Mon 17 Apr	INSET Day
Tues 18 Apr	Back to school
Tues 25 Apr	Bag2School Collection at 9 am
Mon 1 May	May Bank Holiday
Mon 8 May	Bank Holiday – Coronation of King Charles III
May	Year 2 Assessments will be carried out during May
Tues 9 – Fri 12 May	Year 6 National Curriculum Assessments
Fri 12 May	Non-Uniform Day – In aid of Summer Revels
Sat 13 May	Summer Revels
w/c 29 May	Half- term holiday
Mon 5 June	INSET Day
Tues 6 June	Back to school
w/c 12 June	Year 1 Phonics Screening
	Y4 Multiplication Tables Check
Mon 26 June	Year 6 Leavers’ Service at Chichester Cathedral (1.15 pm)
Fri 30 June	Class Photos