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Dear Families,

On behalf of St John the Baptist Primary School, I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to our PTA and the volunteers who worked tirelessly over the last weekend to ensure that the firework event ran safely, smoothly and successfully. I would like to say personally a special thank you to our PTA Committee who have given huge amounts of their time over the last few months planning for this event.

As a school, we are truly blessed to have a dedicated PTA Team who raise money to give our children additional resources and exciting opportunities.

Best wishes,
Jane Sharrock



BBC CHILDREN IN NEED

Last Friday, the children looked **SPOTACULOUS!** We raised £191 for Children In Need, so thank you for your generosity.

CAN YOU HELP?

Do you have, or know of anyone who may have, a supply of paper that is surplus to requirement? Our children are fantastic artists and enjoy drawing, so any extra paper in school would be very useful. Thank you.



FOOTBALL AND NETBALL IN THE RAIN!

Our teams braved the wet weather after school yesterday, when they played in matches against St Margaret's Primary School. The football team lost 5-0, and the netball team were beaten 5-4 by a goal from St Margaret's in the last few seconds. Some great play from everyone.

Thank you to our supporters, who cheered from the sidelines, in the rain, and to Mrs Bush and Mrs Stoner for their help too.



PYRAMID COOKING

Yesterday afternoon, Rowan Class had to work together to make rock cakes. Mrs van Zanten gave instructions to the two children at the front, and they had to pass on the instructions to the children behind them, and so on. The children did a fantastic job weighing some of the ingredients and listening to the instructions their classmates were giving them.

A big thank you to Mrs van Zanten for organising such a fun cooking lesson. We hope you enjoy the rock cakes.

NEWS FROM THE PTA

Wow, what a night! Thank you for attending our fireworks event and we hope you had a wonderful time. It was lovely to have the fireworks back in the village for the first time since 2019 and fabulous to have your support. We hope the low noise style went down well, as they seemed to have received rave reviews from the local community and parents of children with sensory issues. It was good to try something different!

Elfridges letters went home in bags this week and the big day is on Monday 5th December! We cannot wait to see the children's faces and the magic this event brings. Please return reply slips by Thursday 1st December, so we have all the necessary information. Please send your children in with a named shopping bag on the day. Payment and collection is at the end of the day from the marquee on the playground.

The Findon Village Elf Trail 2022 prep is well underway. If you live centrally in the village and are happy to display a cheeky elf and a clue in your window or front garden, please let us know as soon as possible.

Christmas Disco letters will be coming home next week, so have a think about those festive song requests!

Any questions, comments or thoughts please email, findonpta@gmail.com

REMINDER - MESSY CHURCH

The next session is after school on Tuesday 6th December - St Nicolas Day. We will be learning about Bishop Nicolas of Myra and enjoying craft activities based on traditions from his story, ending with a special Christmas meal together in Findon Village Hall.

Messy Church does not meet in January, so the first session for 2023, will be Tuesday 6th February, when we will be thinking about Jesus as the light of the world.

Blessings, Helena

CHURCH SERVICES FOR FINDON, CLAPHAM AND PATCHING

Please find attached details of forthcoming services and Christmas celebrations.

Dates for Autumn Term 2022

(New dates in red)

Sun 4 th Dec	Findon Village Light up the Square – Choir (5.30 pm)
Mon 5 th Dec	PTA Event – Elfridges
	KS1 Angmering Half Mile Cross Country (3.45 pm)
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 18 th Dec	9 Lessons and Carols at St John the Baptist Church – Choir (4 pm)