



# GOLDEN EAGLE

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7<sup>th</sup> September, 2018

## Diary Reminders

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September**

Year 6 Secondary Transition meeting 9.00am

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September**

PTFA Welcome Morning for Nursery and Reception parents, 9am

**MEET THE TEACHER meetings**

9.15am in the Middle Hall

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September**

Year 1

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September**

Year 2

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> September**

Year 3

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September**

Year 4

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September**

Year 5 at 9.15am

Year 6 at 2.45pm

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September**

After School Clubs Start

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December**

After School Clubs Finish

More details to follow

## Welcome Back!

Welcome back, everyone, and welcome to our new families and staff. All the pupils have settled back into school life and have been keen to share their hopes and ambitions for this new academic year in our assembly this morning.

Please make a note of your 'Meet the Teacher' information session (letter sent out at the end of last term) – see also Diary Reminders section.

Information regarding clubs will go out in the newsletter next week and sign-up will be the following week. Music and Latin information is going out separately.

From next week (w/b 10<sup>th</sup> September), the office will be closed for one hour each morning from 11.00am – 12.00pm for visitors and phone calls. Unless your phone call is an emergency, please avoid calling the office during this hour.

Our Special Needs Co-ordinator, Mrs Abu-Ghaida, will be working each Monday, Tuesday and Friday for this academic year.

Trip dates will be in the newsletter next week.

## Volunteers Needed

At St John's we are passionate about supporting children to develop the skills they need to become independent, life-long readers. For this to happen, it is vital that children are regularly read with, and we need your help!

Can you spare an hour a week to volunteer as a parent reader? This role is central to the success of our young readers, as children are given the opportunity to read aloud, develop their decoding and comprehension skills, and enjoy the pleasure of sharing of a book with an attentive adult.

It only takes an hour a week to make a huge difference! If you are interested in finding out more about this role, please join us in the library at **2.55pm on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September** to find out more. If you'd like to hear more, but are unable to attend that day, then please speak to Ms Peters in Nursery, or email her at [admin@stjohnsce.lbhf.sch.uk](mailto:admin@stjohnsce.lbhf.sch.uk).

## Activity Survey



Please take our 2 minute survey about activity and clubs / groups our pupils attend. Thank you.

## Girls' Football



If your daughter is in year 4, 5 or 6 and is interested in attending a Football After School Club, please use the link to share which day she is available to attend.



## Take our 30:30 Challenge

The Government Childhood Obesity Plan has set out the ambition for all children to achieve 60 minutes of physical activity every day, with schools being responsible for delivering 30 of these active minutes. At St John's we take being active very seriously! We aim to provide 30 minutes of activity for every pupil each day. To help us achieve this we offer as many opportunities as possible for our pupils to be active; our PE lessons, range of playground equipment and a variety of after-school clubs all contribute to an active school day for our pupils.

We would like to help influence the remaining 30 active minutes to be achieved outside of school through families, clubs and community groups. To help do this we have a new '30:30 Challenge' board in the gym. Here we would like to celebrate our pupils being active outside by using your photos of our pupils.

**We challenge you** to send us a photo of your child taking part in their regular physical activity. This could be them in their local football team kit, dancing in a ballet class or cycling their bike! If you do it regularly and it helps you achieve 30 minutes of activity a day then email your photo to the school office with the subject '30:30 Challenge'. The best photos will be added to our display board and could even be celebrated in our newsletter.

We'd also like to hear about the clubs and groups you are involved with, as pupils or families, which might inspire somebody else to get active too. If you'd like to share, please use the QR code on the front page to complete our quick survey.

### St John's Walham Green Achieve School Games Gold Mark Award 2017/18

## SCHOOL GAMES

We are delighted to announce that we, St John's Walham Green Primary School, have achieved the School Games Gold Mark Award for the 2017/18 academic year.

The School Games Mark is a Government led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

Our sporting achievements this year include:  
 Sportshall Athletics - Borough Champions Years 5&6 and Borough Champions Years 3&4  
 Football - Mayor's Cup Grand Final Runners-up for both Boys and Girls  
 Swimming Gala - Boys Champions and Overall Runners-up  
 Tag Rugby League - Runners-up  
 Football - Borough Champions Years 3&4  
 Quadkids Athletics - Borough Champions Years 5&6 and 3rd Place Years 3&4

With a total of 128 young people competing in 20 local inter-school competitions this year, we are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our competitions possible.

As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.

A very special thanks to everybody who was involved in supporting our school with sport throughout this year.

We look forward to applying once again in 2019!

Most of you will be aware of just how proud we are of the opportunities we give our pupils to take part in school sport. We have been recognised for this success.

Read more about it here!





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## Exciting News to Help Getting To Little Voices Lessons

We are pleased to announce that Little Voices lesson times on a Tuesday have now been brought forward! This means pupils aged 4 - 7 years who would like to try out our 'Mini Voices' class will now start directly after school from 3.30pm - 4.15pm. **To celebrate the start of our new term we are offering FREE trial lessons NOW to any pupils who would like to experience our singing and drama lessons.**

Mini Voices (4 - 7 years) 3.30pm - 4.15pm, Every Tuesday  
Little Voices (8 - 13 years) 4.15pm - 5.15pm, Every Tuesday

- Performing Arts Training For children aged 4 - 13 Years
- Working towards accredited LAMDA examinations & Performances



Contact Little Voices directly to book a FREE TRIAL:

Email: [SWL@littlevoices.org.uk](mailto:SWL@littlevoices.org.uk) Call: 0208 088 0113 [www.littlevoices.org.uk/locations/london-fulham](http://www.littlevoices.org.uk/locations/london-fulham)



## PTFA INFO

### ADVANCE NOTICE:

**There will be a change in the committee structure and membership of the PTFA for this school year.**

We will be holding elections for various positions on the PTFA committee and encourage anyone who is interested to please put themselves forward for the roles.

Please look out for the information that will be coming out to parents over the next few weeks.

### Dates for your diary:

#### **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September 9am Coffee Morning**

All Nursery and Reception parents are invited to join us for an informal coffee morning, where you will have a chance to meet other parents in your child's class. We can also answer any questions you have about the school's PTFA activities and share information on ways you can get involved.

#### **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October PTFA AGM, 6.30pm**

All parents are invited to our first AGM meeting of the school year. This will be an evening social event,



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### Mobile Phones in Years 5 and 6

Pupils in Years 5 and 6 have been reminded that they have permission to bring in a mobile phone **only** when a letter has been sent in and **ONLY** if they walk to school unaccompanied by a parent. Phones will be confiscated if children play with them on the school grounds.

### Expectations at St. John's

At St John's we have the highest expectations for all our pupils. There is no ceiling set for any pupil and so we set high, aspirational targets for all. As well as expectations in their work we have high expectations in attitudes to learning, behaviour, uniform, manners, attendance, punctuality and respect for all. Next week we will be focusing on expectations and addressing these in assemblies, class, break and lunchtimes. We are sure there will be a lot to celebrate in our Celebration Assembly next Friday.

### After-school Music Tuition, Choir and Y5 & Y6 Recorder Clubs



**Choir** is on Wednesdays from 8.20 to 9.00 am and is open to anyone in Y2-Y6. Please see the letter that went out yesterday.

**Ukulele and Clarinet tuition** are both on Mondays after school, starting on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September. Letters about this were emailed this morning, and some of you responded very quickly – many thanks! There are **two** clarinet places and **one** ukulele place still available. Ukulele is for anyone from Y2 up, but for clarinet, Y3 is a better starting point because of the size of one's hands. Instruments for these lessons are available on loan. Payment is taken through School Gateway.

**Y5 & Y6 Recorder Clubs:** information to follow next week about days and times.

Mrs Ostler

### Latin Clubs for Y5 and Y6



All Y5 children and returning Y6 members should come home with a letter about Latin Club today. This year Y6 Latin Club will be on Tuesdays at 8.30, and Y5 Latin Club will be on Thursdays at 8.30. Sessions last 30 minutes and are based upon the Minimus Latin textbook by Barbara Bell. They help to reinforce knowledge of spelling and grammar in English, as well as being a gentle introduction to the language and culture of Ancient Rome and its empire. One of the perks of Latin Club is a day trip out of London in the summer term.

Please return the slip via your child's school bag if you would like to sign up.

Mrs Ostler

Children must be seated and learning at 8.55am

Attendance average is 97.2%.

**ATTENDANCE – Each class has a target of 96%.**

Our Average this week is 97.2%

Class	% Attendance	
NN	n/a	
RC	n/a	
RO	n/a	
Y1E	96.3%	
Y1S	97.5%	
Y2P	100%	
Y2R	87.2%	
Y3G	98.7%	
Y3H	97.1%	
Y4C	100%	
Y4R	100%	
Y5P	100%	
Y5S	92.1%	
Y6M	92.1%	
Y6S	100%	