



St John's Newsletter

Learning, Loving and Laughing Together



This week in worship... We have been looking at the story of 'Jesus healing a paralysed man'. We have explored what friendship means and how it is important that we care for our friends and help each other out. We have also talked about how Christians respond to issues of injustice in the world and this could include supporting charities, including those that fight against discrimination against disabilities. Some of the classes have also looked at the work of the accomplish trust, a Christian charity, who do this in Africa.

Easter Church Service - The whole school will be visiting All Saints Church for our Easter Service on Tuesday 24th March 2026, leaving school at 9.30am. The service will be led by Year 1 children. If you are able to accompany the school to church, please let the school office know.

Spring Olympics

On Monday 23rd March, the children in Key Stage 2 (Years 3—6) will be taking part in our annual Spring Olympics. This is when all the members of the juniors spend time playing a sport for their school team. There are a variety of sports on offer and the children will learn more about how it is organised and which one they will be taking part in next week. All children will need their PE kit on that afternoon including trainers. Unfortunately, due to a lack of space, we are unable to invite parents to this event. An additional letter with more information will be sent out next week. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher.

Easter Egg Competition

We will once again like to run our Easter egg competition. This is a great competition and one that is really easy to get involved with. The challenge is for the children to decorate an egg in any design they would like. It could represent an interest of theirs, be artistic and creative in the design, picture something that is happening in the world or represent a famous person. There will be a winner for each phase group (*Year R, Year 1/2, Year 3/4 and Year 5/6*) along with an overall winner. In addition, there will also be a parent winner. Each winner will receive an Easter egg and there will be lots of runners up prizes. If you or your child would like to get involved in this competition, please bring your decorated egg into the school hall on the morning of **Thursday 26th March 2026** from 8.30am onwards. Please make sure all entries are clearly labelled with a name and the child's year group. We also ask that all designs are collected at the end of the day as eggs really smell if they get left in school!!



Class Certificates

Pia F-M
Olivia P
Aisha M
Iris C-J
Bonnie S
Jaden M
Chloe G
Adelize D
Offrael L
Gethin W
Lylah H-L

Shooting Star



Florence B

Number Awards:

Silver: Owen C
Gold: Robyn B-B,
Ava-Grace A
Platinum: Elsie T,
Ida B
Diamond: Elsie T,
Ida B

Mathletics:

KS1: Daniel C
KS2: Daisy C
Mathletes of the week: Louis W

Diary Dates

16/03/26	Finland Class trip to Basingstoke Town Centre—a.m.
17/03/26	Greece Class trip to Basingstoke Town Centre—a.m.
18/03/26	South Africa Class trip to Basingstoke Town Centre a.m.
20/03/26	Red Nose Day—non school uniform/wear something red
24/03/26	Easter Service @ 10am All Saints Church
25/03/26	Year 3/4 Performance at 2pm
26/03/26	Year 3/4 Performance at 4pm
27/03/26	INSET Day (3)
30/03-10/04/26	Easter Holidays
26/06/26	FOSJ Circus

INSET Days 2025—2026

Friday 27th March 2026 (3)
 Monday 15th June 2026 (4)
 Wednesday 22nd July (5)

INSET Days 2026—2027

Tuesday 1st September 2026 (1)

Attendance

Whole school attendance is currently at 96.9%. Our whole school target for the year is 97%.



Happys Circus

Tickets now on sale for the Circus event on Friday 26 June. [Click here](#) to find out more and buy tickets. Money raised by FOSJ from this event will go towards funding new school laptops for the kids. Please help us promote the event by sharing the link with family and friends. There are a limited number of tickets so be sure to buy yours ASAP.

Parking before and after school - please can we remind everyone to be sensible about parking when dropping and picking up after school. Please do not park on yellow lines and please park with consideration for our immediate neighbours (do not block driveways). Thank you.

Enrichment Clubs

A reminder, that all staff run before and after school enrichment clubs finished this week. We will start running clubs again in the Summer term—more details of the clubs we will be running and how to sign up for them, will follow after the Easter holidays.

Red Nose Day—Friday 20th March 2026

We will be celebrating Red Nose Day on Friday 20th March. It will be a non school uniform day, where the children can wear something red for red nose day in return for minimum donation of a £1 towards the Comic Relief fundraising.



LETTER ALERT!

Child	Title	Response?
Year 6	Leavers Hoodie and Mug Letter	Friday 20th March
Years 2-5	Music Tuition for 2026/2027 Letter	Friday 24th April

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EASTER 2026
MONDAY 30TH - FRIDAY 10TH APRIL 2026

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NERF-AGEDDON	WELFARES	RAID THE NEST
EGG-STREME	BIG BUNNY DISCO	DODGE THE EGG
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Sports Xtra

Sports Xtra have been lucky enough to secure funding to provide holiday camp places for eligible Free School Meal children during the Easter Holidays this year on Monday 30th March—Friday 10th April 2026 from 9am until 4pm everyday excluding weekends and bank holidays.

The venue will be Everest Community Academy, Basingstoke.

As many of you know already, this funding has been provided by the DfE to local councils and Hampshire County Council have then divided the funding out to providers like Sports Xtra through a grant application process. As part of this scheme, Sports Xtra will provide a whole range of sporting and very active activities along with additional learning threads for eligible children and also a free hot meal.

ALL PARENTS MUST COMPLETE AN ONLINE FORM THROUGH HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL BEFORE THEN BOOKING WITH SPORTS XTRA DIRECTLY. THIS IS TO PROVE THAT YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS AND THEREFORE, THESE FREE PLACES AT THE CAMP. YOU WILL BE GIVEN A UNIQUE CODE WHICH WILL THEN BE YOUR WAY IN TO MAKE A BOOKING, SPORTS XTRA CANNOT EXCEPT ANY BOOKINGS WITHOUT THIS PROCESS TAKING PLACE AND A UNIQUE CODE. THE LINK TO COMPLETE THE ONLINE FORM AND GAIN THE UNIQUE CODE IS AS FOLLOWS: **PLEASE NOTE HOWEVER, IF YOUR CHILD WENT TO SPORTS XTRA ACROSS THE LAST YEAR AND YOUR ELIGIBILITY HAS NOT CHANGED, YOU CAN USE THE SAME CODE FOR THIS CAMP.**

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/socialcareandhealth/childrenandfamilies/connectforcommunities/holidayactivities/register>

A Little Note About Language on the Playground

We've had a few mentions recently that the amount of swearing heard at pick-up time has crept up a bit. We completely understand that everyone is busy, conversations happen quickly, and sometimes words slip out without us even realising! We'd just like to gently ask all adults waiting on school grounds to be mindful of the language being used—especially with lots of little ears around who love to repeat what they hear. As you can imagine, we spend a lot of time in school talking to children about choosing appropriate words, particularly during break and lunchtimes. Not hearing strong language on the playground really helps us reinforce those messages in a positive way.

Thank you so much for your support and for helping us keep the school environment calm, friendly, and child-focused. We really do appreciate it.