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ST JOHN'S GREEN HANDWRITING COMPETITION 2023

Mr McMeekan is again running a 'Handwriting' Competition for us and entries are invited from any child in the school. Entries need to be handed into either school office by Friday 23rd June with your name, year and class.

(EYFS to Yr3: first 5 lines, to "...out of sight") (Years 4 to 6: whole poem)

You may use lined or unlined paper—Best handwriting. The poem is on page 2 of the newsletter.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT ENTRIES NEED TO BE HANDED IN BY NEXT FRIDAY—23RD



Toys

Over the past two weeks, the children in EYFS have been learning

about the topic Toys. This has involved comparing old and new toys, visiting Holly-tree's Museum and dressing up as their favourite toys. The children have absolutely loved learning about toys.



Swimming Thanks to PTA

Parents will be very aware that learning to swim is a both a 'Life Skill' and a National Curriculum requirement.

The PTA have kindly donated £3,000 during this term out of this year's fund raising to help with costs of swimming lessons to parents.

In the very tough financial times the school is in, this is a huge bonus and will make a significant difference in enabling the school to keep swimming costs down for parents.

Thankyou.

SEND Drop In. Please remember that next Wednesday (21st June) Mrs. Bullivant is offering a SEND Drop In session - @ 2.00p.m. @ AF. A chance just to pop along and talk about your children.

Assembly Theme for WB: 19/6/2023—What was Windrush? (KS2) Link to EQUALITY AND DIGNITY (KS1) What do we mean by 'Dignity'?

Term Dates

Wednesday 19th July—Monday 4th September—Summer Holiday

Tuesday 5th September—First day of Autumn Term.

Diary Dates

Monday 19th & Tuesday 20th June—New Parents Information Meetings @ AF (Parents Only) - 5.00p.m.—6.00p.m.

Wednesday 21st June- SEND afternoon Drop in with tea/coffee for parents. 2.00p.m. @ AF with Mrs. Bullivant

Friday 23rd June—Non Uniform Day for Summer Fair

Friday 30th June—PTA Summer Fair @ AF—5.00p.m.—7.00p.m.

Wednesday 5th July—AP3 Reports to Parents.

Thursday 6th July—8.50a.m.—10.00. PTA Coffee Morning @ T

Thursday 6th July -5.00p.m.—7.00p.m. Open Evening AF & T

Sports Days all at AF.

Monday 3rd July.

EYFS 9.30 - 11.00. Year 1 1.30 - 3.00

Wednesday 5th July

Year 2- 9.30 - 11.00. Year 3 1.30 - 3.00

Thursday 6th July

Year 4- 9.30 - 11.00. Year 5 1.30 - 3.00

Friday 7th July

Year 6 9.30—11.30

Please remember that there are two EYFS Forest School Sessions remaining—Wednesday 21/6/2023 & Wednesday 28/6/2023.

Colchester School's Consortium—Journeys Art Project.

On Wednesday 14th June, schools from Colchester Consortium came together to share artwork from this term, hosted at St. John's Green Primary School. The focus of the artwork was 'Journeys' and the aim was to raise awareness of refugees and asylum seekers. Attending the meeting were Old Heath Primary School, North Primary, Montgomery Juniors, Lexden Primary, Braiswick Primary, Bishop William Ward CE Primary and St. Micheal's Primary School. Lakelands Primary, Montgomery Infants, Heathlands, Home Farm, Kendall CE, Kingsford Infants, Monkwick Infants, Gosbecks and Monkwick Junior also participated in, or supported the project.



Maria Wilby and her colleague from RAMA (Refugee, Asylum Seeker and Migrant Action) also attended the meeting and were touched by how the children had portrayed the plight of refugees and their journeys. Two representatives from First Site also attended and were impressed by the standard of artwork produced by such young children. The children representing each school were proud to be 'Art Ambassadors' and led the meeting by presenting the artwork, showing and talking through PowerPoint presentations of their schools' projects and completing feedback forms, to help the consortium develop this way of working collaboratively across a group of schools.

Schools held exhibitions for parents and collections were made for RAMA, (final total TBC).

Headteacher and Consortium Chair, Amanda Mitchelson said "It is wonderful to see children from Colchester Schools' Consortium sharing and celebrating their work. This used to be a regular occurrence before the pandemic. Let's hope this brilliant project kick starts more Consortium collaborative curriculum projects."

Schoolcomms

It has become necessary for the school to change its current online payment system. This is the system that you currently use to pay for school dinners, breakfast club, school trips etc. The company that owns Pay360 has sold this product and the new providers have given notice to close this system.

We have sent out electronically with the newsletter information about the new system and a covering letter, which explains in more detail.

All the information you need is also on the School Website—<https://st-johns-green.eschools.co.uk/website/schoolcomms/288519>

The **Big** Question for the Summer Term Assessment Period — How do I Make Good Decisions?

Our Jigsaw Theme for this Half Term— Changing Me

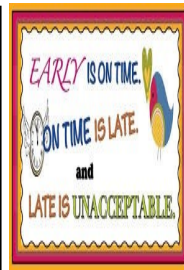
Rights Respecting Schools

Article 17 (access to information from the media) Every child has the right to reliable information from a variety of sources, and governments should encourage the media to provide information that children can understand. Governments must help protect children from materials that could harm them.

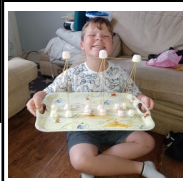
Reminders

PTA Summer Fayre, Friday 30th June. Save the date.

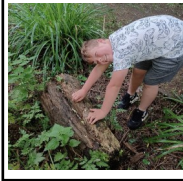
Kingswood—Year 5 Children. Final payment of £70 is now overdue.



Home Science Challenges



Really well done to Ellis who has made a brilliant start to his Home Science challenges from Mrs. Cook.



Bottle rockets are next on the agenda apparently!

Awards

STAR— Whole Class (CC), CHARLOT—Whole Class (CC), JUMBO—Whole Class (CC).

EAGLES— Whole Class (CC), ROSES— Whole Class (CC), CIRCUS—Whole Class (CC).

MERCURY—Zachary (MM), CLAUDIUS— Delphine (MLM), ROMANS—Olaf (MM).

DUTCH— Theo (CC), ICENI— Oilly (MM), PAXMAN— Aianna (MM).

CASTLE— Isabelle & Zain (MM). GARRISON— Kiara (MM), CAVALLIER— Reyaansh (RROX) & Ryan (MM)

OYSTERS— James (RREX), MAGNETS— Thomas (MLM), RAEDWALD— Kian (MM).

TRINOVANTES— Eliot (RREX), CYMBELINE— Tallulah (MLM), LATHES— Bae (MM).

ATTENDANCE— Star



NON-UNIFORM DAY FRIDAY 23rd JUNE 2023



"Everyone Sang" by Siegfried Sassoon (1886 - 1967)

Everyone suddenly burst out singing;
And I was filled with such delight
As prisoned birds must find in freedom,
Winging wildly across the white
Orchards and dark-green fields; on - on - and out of sight.

Everyone's voice was suddenly lifted;
And beauty came like the setting sun:
My heart was shaken with tears; and horror
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For the privilege of wearing non-uniform, please make a donation to the Summer Fair (which takes place on Friday 30th June from 5.00 – 7.00 p.m. at Abbey Field Site)

Instead of sending in money, could parents please send their child in to school with an item suitable for the Fair (e.g. items for the tombola stalls (e.g. unwanted gifts/toiletries or small toys/games in good condition) or sweets in packets (e.g. Haribo) we can use as prizes. We also need items for our refreshment stall (e.g. canned drinks, packets of crisps/snacks etc). We **do not** need tinned/packeted items for a food tombola.

We urgently need brand new items suitable for our main raffle and bottles of wine for the wine/water stall.

Any glass items please hand directly to the school office.

We will be running a cake stall and will be grateful for donations to the cake stall (please bring in cakes on the day of the Fair!).

Many thanks for your continued support !!!

