

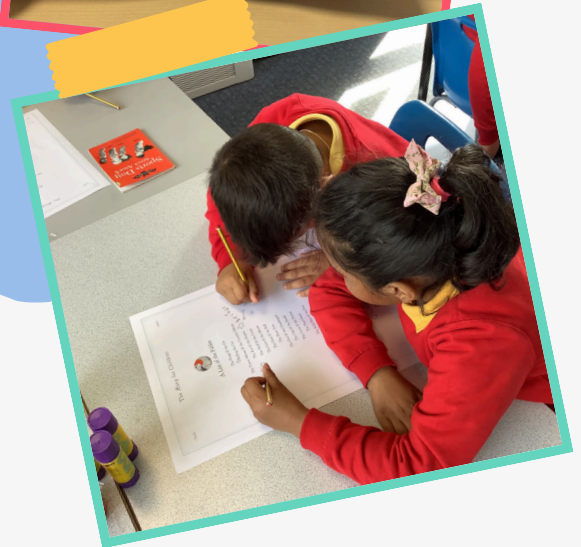
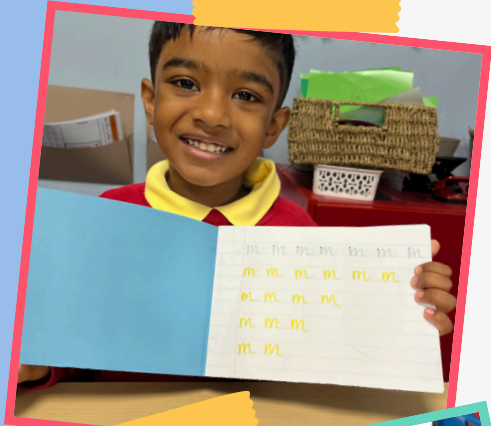
ST JOHN'S

Newsletter



Welcome to Academic Year 2024-25!

What a fabulous start to the new school year we have had so far! The children have settled in quickly and are working so hard. We've had a few changes this year, but our new start and end times seem to be running smoothly and the secure entry system is working well. Thanks for your patience while we ironed out any issues.



Keeping in touch

Class Dojo and Seesaw are the two main ways that we send out messages to parents. Without the apps, you are likely to miss a lot of important information. Once you have downloaded the app, your child's teacher will give you a code to connect with the class. **IMPORTANT:** please make sure your notifications are turned ON otherwise you won't be aware messages have been sent. You can use the apps to message the school office, your child's teacher or me for free.

This is a quick and easy way to ask us a question and we're usually pretty fast in replying. Forms for booking clubs, enrichment places and the caravan are all sent out electronically on Classdojo too, so please don't miss out!

After School Clubs

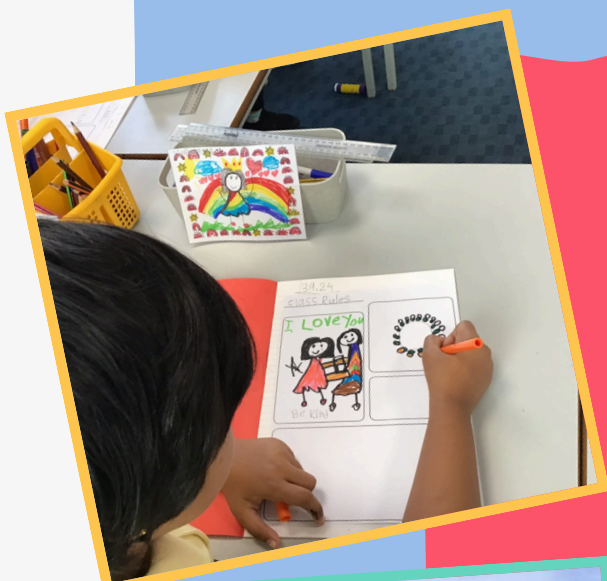
We have a range of clubs that run from 3.25- 4.25 Monday to Thursday and are **FREE** to attend. This term's clubs include cheerleading, football, badminton and gymnastics.

Please speak to Mr Walker for more information.

Attendance and Punctuality

A reminder that school starts at 8.55 for all children. We also operate a FREE breakfast club from 8am (with an additional paid session from 7.30am.)

Please do not book any holidays in term time - the government announced new tougher penalties for parents in August and you will be issued a fine of £160 per parent, per child if you take a holiday during the school term. We will not authorise any term time holidays (and will only authorise a leave of absence in exceptional circumstances.)



Important reminders

Remember, for safety reasons, hooped earrings are not allowed in school AT ALL and we will ask children to remove them if they are worn. The only jewellery allowed are stud earrings and watches (not smart watches.) False nails are not appropriate for children (for safety reasons) and we will ask that they are removed.

Packed lunches should contain no more than two snacks and water only to drink. Snacks include crisps, biscuits, yoghurts or a pastry. Chocolate bars or sweets are not allowed. Any extra snacks or juice will be sent home with children.

Parents are welcome to attend our Friday class assemblies. Watch out on Class Dojo for an invitation from your child's teacher.

Term dates can be found on the school website for this year and next year. Please check before booking a holiday!

The Class Blogs page on the website is a great way to keep up with what your child has been learning in school. Please check them out each week - there are loads of lovely photos on there too.

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