

St John & St James Church of England Primary School

NOVEMBER 2012

At St John & St James CE Primary School we believe that our attitudes to all educational, spiritual, social and moral questions are based on the teachings of the Christian faith and that this shapes and guide all aspects of the school's daily life. In a time of rapid change and uncertainty, we are committed to maintaining those Christian values that we believe to be essential in helping our pupils to live successful, responsible, satisfying and caring lives.



MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

It was good to see so many parents at our parent consultation evenings held before the half term and we look forward to continuing to work with you to ensure your children achieve their potential and success whilst here at St John & St James school.

I would ask that parents continue to support the school by ensuring that your child / children attend school regularly, arrive punctually, treat and speak with courtesy and respect each other and to adults and seize the opportunity to achieve their potential in their learning.

We thank parents for supporting us with the building work we have had over the last three years. We hope that all building work will be completed by end of December and that from January 2013 we can thoroughly enjoy this wonderful new school building.



Pupil Safety

During the last few months of our building work we ask parents to continue supervising their children before and after school hours by ensuring that children follow school rules around the construction site and entrances.

The MUGA gates are opened at 8:30am each morning. Children remain the responsibility of parents until 8.50am when staff are on duty in the playgrounds.

If it is raining, children may enter the school building from 8.45am.

We have a NO SMOKING policy at this school. Smoking is prohibited on school grounds and in the playground and muga.

SCHOOL REDEVELOPMENT FUND

An annual contribution of £39 for each child was agreed by all parents on acceptance of a place at St John & St James. This fund enables the Governing Body not only to pay the subscriptions to the LDBS, but also helps to provide improvements to the school environment. Please ensure that your payment is paid promptly.

**THANK YOU TO THE FAMILIES WHO HAVE ALREADY
MADE THEIR 2012 -2013 CONTRIBUTION TO THIS
FUND .**

**Please ensure that you make your contribution of £39 for
the whole year or £13 for the Autumn Term as soon as
possible.**

School Uniform

ALL children should now be wearing **full school uniform** which includes wearing a **tie** at all times. PLEASE ENSURE ALL ITEMS ARE NAMED.

LOST PROPERTY

Please ensure that you have labelled ALL your child's clothing as we already have a stock of unnamed, unclaimed clothing in lost property.

TIES

School ties are an essential part of school uniform. Please ensure that your child is wearing their tie everyday. School ties can be purchased from the school office at a cost of £3.00.

PE KITS

All children are required to have a change of clothing and footwear for PE kept in school during the week.

Maroon poloshirt and maroon shorts —Boys

Gold poloshirt and maroon shorts —Girls

Boys and Girls— Black plimsolls.

Please remember

**NO TRAINERS, NO BOOTS, NO SHOES WITH
WHITE PATTERNS, COLOURED LACES OR
SHOES WITH FLASHING LIGHTS**

NO HOOPED EARRINGS

Additional School Information



POPPY APPEAL

THANK YOU for your financial support for the Royal British Legion

Approximately £30 was raised by the children's giving.



SCHOOL MEALS

The cost of a school meal is £2.00 (£10.00 per week) payable **in advance on Monday mornings**. If you wish to change from a packed lunch to a school meal, or the reverse, please give us notice in writing a minimum of a week in advance. Weekly menus are on show in the school office. Please send money in an envelope clearly marked with your child's name. (Money envelopes are available from the school office). Please try and send in the right amount (cheques are acceptable, made payable to 'St John & St James CE Primary School').

Please help the school by paying your dinner money every Monday morning—thank you.

FRIENDS OF ST JOHN AND ST JAMES

Please support your school. We need committed helpers to make fundraising for our school a huge success. We are aware that your time is precious and filled with work and family—but without the continued support and achievements of the Friends of St John & St James the children will not have extra treats such as our annual visit to the theatre at Christmas, Christmas Discos or Christmas Bazaar.

COME ALONG AND SHOW YOUR SUPPORT.

Friends Committee



Parents Prayer Meetings

Every Tuesday morning at 9.00am—9.45am

All parents are invited to this time to pray for the school, children, staff and families of St John & St James. If you are interested, please speak to Sandra Alexander (parent) via the school office.

EVERY CHILD MATTERS

BE SAFE

With darker evenings now it is essential that ALL children attending an after school activity or club, are collected by an adult or an older sibling (over 12).

Parents of year 5 and 6 children who wish for their child to walk home alone are asked to provide us with written permission.

Please ensure that your child's coat is clearly labelled with their name.

The Government's aim is for every child whatever their background or their circumstances to have the support they need to:

- ⇒ Be Healthy
- ⇒ Stay safe
- ⇒ Enjoy and Achieve
- ⇒ Make a positive contribution
- ⇒ Achieve economic well being

BE HEALTHY

Physical education is an essential part of our curriculum and all children are required to participate. Please ensure that your child has the correct PE kit, including socks and plimsols.

As the days start to get colder, Key Stage Two children may also wear dark coloured track suits over their PE kit. Please ensure that PE kits are in school on the required days.

ENJOY AND ACHIEVE

We are delighted that so many children are taking advantage of the clubs and activities available to them before school, during lunch break and after school.

May I take this opportunity to thank all staff who give up their own time and skills to provide these activities.

Please ensure that your child attends regularly and that appropriate behaviour is adhered to at all times.

Failure to follow rules will result in places being withdrawn and offered to other children.

POSITIVE CONTRIBUTION

HARVEST CELEBRATION

We held our harvest services on Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th October and would like to offer a big thank you to those parents who were able to come and support the school.

Thank you for all the donations of food and toiletries which have been donated to two local charities who provide food parcels for needy families and individuals.

ACHIEVE ECONOMIC SUCCESS

We are holding an information meeting on Thursday afternoon and again in the evening entitled...

'How can I help my reception child at home?'

If you are a parent of a foundation child you are welcome to attend.

Thursday 22 November 3.30pm and
5.30pm

November 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	5 November SCHOOL CLOSED STAFF TRAINING DAY	6 Parents Prayer Meeting St Andrew Class visit to Library	7 Individual and Family Photographs	8	9 St George Class Assembly Multi Sports—ELMS	10
11	12 St Teresa Big Band Project St Andrew Class visit to Library St Elizabeth Class visit to Library	13 St Francis Class visit to Library	14 St David Class visit to Library St John the Baptist School Journey Meeting 5.30pm	15 St Francis and St Elizabeth Classes visit to St Paul's Cathedral.	16 St David Class Assembly Multi Sports—ELMS	17
18	19 St Teresa Big Band Project St David Class visit to Enfield CLC St James Class visit to Library	20 St James Class visit to Enfield CLC St George Class visit to Library	21 St Mary and St Andrew Classes visit to Bethnal Green Museum of Childhood St Winifred Class visit to Enfield CLC Cross competition at Oakthorpe	22 St George Class visit to Enfield CLC Foundation Parent Information meeting 3.30pm and 5.30pm Friends Committee meeting 3.40pm	23 St Andrew Class Assembly St George visit to Library Multi Sports—ELMS St Teresa School Journey meeting	24
25	26 St Teresa Big Band Concert to parents St John the Baptist Class visit to Enfield CLC St Teresa Class visit to Library	27 Gymnastics competition 'The Power of One' Anti-bullying Show St John the Baptist Class visit to Library	28 St Teresa Class visit to Enfield CLC	29	30 NO Multi Sports—ELMS CHRISTMAS BAZAAR 3.00pm—5.00pm	1
2	3 Dec	4	5	6	7 NO Multi Sports—ELMS KS1 Christmas Disco 4.30—6.00pm KS2 Christmas Disco 6.30—8.00pm	8

CHRISTMAS DATES ENCLOSED First Day of Spring Term 2012—Tuesday 8th January 2013

4th Birthday

Beatrice
Christabelle
Ghaleeb
Janis
Brooklyn
Lois

6th Birthday

Nicol
Keiron
Samuel
Dushawn
Teddy
Andreaa

5th Birthday

Yaw
Sean
Afra
Jannatul
Precious
Kymani
Lola
Jessie

HAPPY "NOVEMBER" BIRTHDAY

7th Birthday

Oumar
Manley
Zeynep
Stonia

8th Birthday

Nana

9th Birthday

Rachel
Bruce
James
Sterlange
Rebecca
Holly
Wiktor
Precious
Ayfer

10th Birthday

Tonna
Etomi

11th Birthday

Joshua
Nana Yaa



Additional Information

SCHOOL CLUBS If your child is part of the club it is essential that they attend regularly whether at lunchtime or after school hours.

Monday:	Breakfast Club	Miss Amudzi/Mr Sangotade(every day)
	Oasis Club	Mrs Fenton (every lunchtime)
	Tea Time Club	Maria Wisdom (every day)
	Dance Club	Miss Gordon and Miss Bontoft
Tuesday:	Recorder Club	Mrs James (lunchtime)
	Netball Club	Mrs Law and Mrs Tomioka
	Drama Club	Mrs Goldstone
	Football Club	Mr Sewell
Wednesday:	French Breakfast Club	Le Club Francais (starting soon)
	Gymnastics Club	Mrs Goodfellow
	Bible Explorers	Mrs Goldstone and Mrs Knightley
	Journattlists Club	Mr Marseglia
	Orchestra Club	Mrs James
Thursday:	Booster Club	Mr Haines (morning) (starting soon)
	Sewing Club	Miss Miller
	Cross Country Club	Miss Toor
	Playground Buddies	Mrs Molloy
	African Drumming Club	Mr Atsu and Venavi Drums
Friday	GLEE Club	Mr Sangotade
	Multi Sports Clubs	ELMS

It is important that your child attends their club regularly. If payment is required we ask that this is paid in advance.

TEA TIME CLUB

St John & St James has its own after school provision which runs from 3.30pm to 6.00pm There is provision for up to 40 children, therefore, places are limited. Application forms are available from the school office.

Daily rate is £7.00 (weekly £35.00) and we ask for a £7.00 registration fee, which is refundable at the end of the school year or when your child leaves.

All children **MUST** be collected by an adult or a named older sibling.

REMINDERS

Breakfast Club—please ensure you bring your child to the door and do not let them walk through the car park by themselves.

Car Park—this is for staff use only. Parent/carers are politely asked **NOT** to park in or drop off in the car park at any time. This is for the safety of your children.

Dinner Money—please ensure this is paid in advance every Monday morning, any arrears could result in a school meal not being provided for your child until all fees are up to date.

Finally...may we remind you that all the staff are here to help you and your children, your politeness is appreciated. At busy times, we need to attend to the children first, so you may have to wait a little longer and your patience in this matter is also greatly appreciated.

AND FINALLY...

'This is the Day that the Lord has made, Let us rejoice and be glad in it'