



St John's CE Primary School Newsletter

21 July 2025

All different, all equal, all learning together in God's world.

Prayer

Dear God,

As we come to the end of this school year,
we thank You for all the learning, laughter, and love we have shared.

For our friends who have supported us,
our teachers who have guided us,
and our families who have cared for us—we give You thanks.

Thank You for helping us grow in knowledge, kindness, and faith.

For the challenges that taught us resilience,
and the achievements that brought us joy—
we are grateful.

We pray for rest and safety over the summer holidays.

Watch over us and our families.

Refresh our minds, renew our spirits,
and prepare us for the new school year ahead.
We especially pray for our Year 6 leavers.
Bless them as they begin a new chapter.
May they go forward with confidence, courage, and hope,
knowing that they are loved and never alone.
May we return with open hearts, ready to learn and to serve.
And may our school always be a place of peace, friendship, and love.

Amen.

Message from Mrs Pullan



Dear parents and carers

As we reach the end of another school year here at St John's Primary School in Sevenoaks, we take this opportunity to pause and reflect on all that we have shared as a school community.

A Year of Learning and Growth

This year has been full of curiosity, creativity, and resilience. From our youngest learners in reception to our confident year 6 leavers, we have seen so much progress, pride, and joy in learning. Whether it was on the sports field, the stage, in the classroom, or in nature, our pupils have truly shone. The year has once again included memorable trips and enrichment days, from local adventures to residential experiences, performances and celebrations where pupils showcased their talents and teamwork and community events that brought us together—thank you for your continued support and involvement

To our dedicated staff: thank you for your unwavering care, creativity, and commitment.

To our wonderful parents and carers: your encouragement, partnership, and support make a world of difference.

And to our brilliant children: you have worked hard, grown in confidence, and made us all proud.

As we say farewell to our year 6 pupils, we wish them every success and happiness as they move on to their next adventure. You leave St John's with our best wishes and warmest hearts.

We're already looking forward to welcoming everyone back in September for another exciting year of learning, laughter, and working together to provide the best for the children at St John's.

Until then, I wish you a safe, happy, and restful summer break.

Mrs Pullan

School activities



Year 3 DT Day

Year 3 have had an exciting DT day! We learned all about the importance of buying local produce and the effect on the environment. We then practised our cutting and peeling skills, by making banana and strawberry fruit skewers, they were delicious! We have planned our own sweet or savoury tart (using seasonal UK fruits or vegetables) to make at home.



St John's STEMquest # No. 2 – Windmill/ Wind Turbine Challenge

Our second STEMquest event was a fantastic success and created a real buzz! Families worked together at home to design and build their own windmills, then proudly brought them in to showcase in the school hall after school. The creativity was amazing, and it was lovely to see so many children excited to share their inventions – and lots of dads getting involved too!

The hall was full of energy, smiles, and spinning blades as fans were used to test each design. We've had lots of positive feedback, and we're already looking forward to planning the next STEMquest challenge! What will the challenge be next time...?





Summer music concert

On 9th July we performed our last concert of the year. Parents and carers came to watch their children perform. Year 4 showed off their skills on the violin, cello and percussion, and joined the school orchestra in a performance of music from Beauty and the Beast.

The orchestra then performed on their own to show off their versatility. Choir sang two songs from their repertoire absolutely brilliantly and pupils performed solo items on piano or violin. Edward, Hazel, Zeena, Felix, Elizabeth, Teddy and Saoirse were the soloists **and** showed their skills on their instruments.

A very enjoyable concert and a fitting end to the year. Well done everyone!



Year 6 leavers

A huge well done to all of the pupils involved in the amazing production of High School Musical at The Ship last week. You did yourselves, Mr Bull and your family and friends proud.

As we all know, these productions are a huge team effort, **so thank you** to Mr Bull, Mrs Hanna, Mrs Hollands and everyone who helped pull it together and make it such a performance to remember!

The year 6 class have finished off the year in style, with a trip to Horton Kirby river for a water fight, followed by a well-earned Domino's lunch and their leaver's service at St John's church tomorrow morning. We look forward to seeing some of you there.

Year 6 Team



Sports update



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District Sports

On, Wednesday 9h July, 39 pupils from Key Stage 2 competed in the annual District Sports event at Tonbridge School. We competed against 5 other schools in track and field events. Overall we can first in 5 events came 2nd in 8 events and 3rd in 5 events.

This meant overall we were **placed second** in the Small Large Schools event. Well done to everyone who took part, you all did amazingly.



Celebrating our children's success



Emily came away from the Kent Artistic Swimming Championships with three gold medals and one bronze having come 1st in Kent and 3rd overall out of 31 competitors in the figures competition and 1st with her team from Aquaoaks for their Wildcats routine to music from High School Musical.

They compete in the South East Regional Competition on the 22nd of June and the National Combo Cup in Sheffield on the 5th of July.



Notices



Family Grapevine Magazine

Click here ¹to view the Summer edition of the West Kent Family Grapevine magazine.

Clubs for September

Bookings for school run clubs can be made from 19:00 on **Wednesday 3rd September** 2025 and will close on Monday 8th September at 09:00. You can book via your School Cloud account².

Note that some clubs have to be booked and paid for directly with the provider and in these cases can be booked immediately: please see the ParentMail for full details and the clubs schedule.

¹<https://indd.adobe.com/view/2cd8cf11-3360-4a04-aca5-82e0cdddf513>

²<https://stjohnscep.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Fundraising



Yellow House Charity Day

Thank You for Supporting “Be a Hero to Help the Heroes” Day!

What a spectacular day it was! Yellow House “Be a Hero to Help the Heroes” charity day was bursting with colour: from a sea of yellow to some truly amazing costumes! The ice pops were a popular hit, and the fabulous DIY lifeboats—each a work of art—were so impressive that every single one won a prize!

A special shout-out goes to all the heroes at home who took on the Mini Missions! Your hard work in completing chores and helping out around the house showed real kindness and dedication! We are blown away by your efforts and generosity. Thanks to the incredible support from our school community which will be shared between Christian Aid and the RNLI—the two charities chosen by Yellow House.

Thank you for truly being heroes and making such a meaningful contribution for our charities.

Diary Dates



July

22.07.25—09.30 Year 6 Leaver's Service at St John's Church

22.07.25—**13.30** Last Day of Term

September

01.09.25—INSET Day

02.09.25—INSET Day

03.09.25—First day of Term 1

