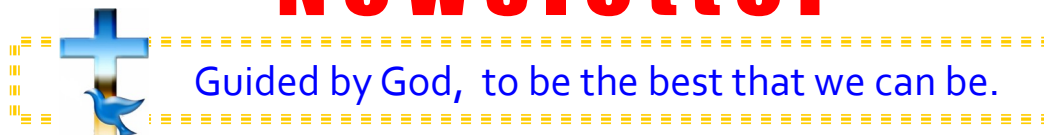




Newsletter

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Reading Super Stars!

Lots of the Reception children are celebrating today after being awarded their "Star Reader" certificates and badges, for completing their reading challenge and being regular home readers. The regular practise has boosted their confidence and improved their fluency. Thank you so much to their parents/carers for their support with reading at home. There are further certificates and badges available for the children who have not yet completed their challenge. We look forward to awarding these over the next few weeks.



Which drinks would impact our teeth the most?

Year 4 have embarked on a week-long investigation testing sugary drinks to see which drinks have the most significant impact on our teeth. The children selected a range of 11 drinks including: Monster energy drink, Lucozade, Coca Cola, Ribena, fresh orange juice and milk. They then planned their investigation fairly, ensuring they were measuring each item carefully and keeping their variables the same and accurate, to ensure they received the most precise results possible. They placed eggs into the drinks and observed them at different intervals throughout the week.

The results were shocking! The children had made predictions which showed sugary drinks would have the largest impact but they did not believe their eyes when they saw exactly how these drinks damaged the eggs. Many of the eggs had eroded shells, slime, coarse skin, stained and weakened shells. After observing these results, the children have definitely changed their minds about which drinks they would be drinking in the future! Well done to our Year 4 scientists.





Coming to a stamp near you... hopefully!

Year 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6 took part in the Royal Mail's national heroes stamp competition. The children were asked to reflect on the pandemic and consider who their hero was then design a stamp

to reflect this. The artwork produced blew us away and the children's touching tributes to keyworkers was heart-warming. We are all so proud of them.

All designs have now been posted off and judging is taking place. 8 overall winners will be selected and approved by the Queen before being announced on the 30th September. These designs will then be used as the official stamps of the pandemic! In addition to this, there will be 16 regional winners and 96 regional runners up who will all win prizes too. Keep your fingers crossed for our budding St. John's artists!



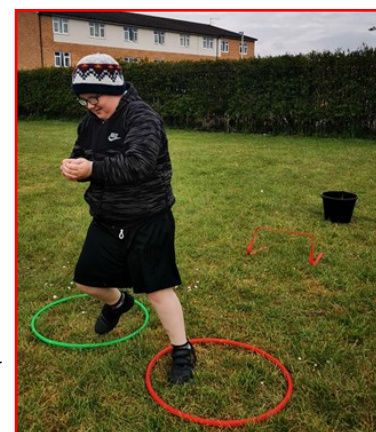
SUPER LEARNERS

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Rec	Natalia Davies—for making super progress in phonics. Well done!
	Mia Wallis—for writing sentences independently with growing confidence.
Year 1	Neave Fretter—for working hard to improve her handwriting.
	Martha Batty—for being fast at recalling her number bonds and also for super reading.
Year 2	Joey Johnson—for super effort and progress with his reading.
	Leo Broadbent—a fantastic effort with his home reading.
Year 3	Ellis Smurthwaite—for having a great attitude to his learning, putting lots of effort into his independent work this week.
	Harrison McEwan—for having a fantastic attitude to learning and never wasting a moment of learning time!
Year 4	Alfie Hepple—for his fantastic enthusiasm for learning and impressive participation. Keep being you!
	Natalia McDonough—for her kindness and positive attitude. Natalia spreads positivity wherever she goes, what a wonderful quality to have!
Year 5	Lillie Allan—for going over and above in everything she does.
	Morgan Meaney—giving 100% effort across all subjects.
Year 6	Harry Pattinson—Being an enormous help when digging out the new school pond. He really is a grafter!
	Valeria Florica—Always coming to school with a smile on her face. Her positive, enthusiastic attitude is an example to others.

Year 5 have been learning all about how to maintain healthy relationships. What better way to put their learning to the test than to challenge them to complete team-building games using the Commando Joe's equipment?! The children recognised John as an outstanding member of the team because he listened to others, motivated the team and offered support and advice to his friends. All the children were able to apply the strategies that they had learnt in class to help them work effectively alongside their teammates.



EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS	Rec	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Week 1	98.7%	99%	96.8%	99%	96%	97.2%	94.6%

We are aiming to achieve at least 96% every week. A special well done to:
Year 1 & 3 - 1st Place
Reception - 2nd Place
Year 5 - 3rd Place.

Unfortunately, the children have missed so much school during the pandemic which has had an impact on many of the children. It is essential that unless children are poorly or needing to self-isolate, that they are in school every day and on time. Requests for leave of absence will not be granted unless there are 'exceptional' circumstances - holidays are not exceptional circumstances. Thank you for your cooperation.

Do your bit to help the bees and win a prize

The Big Bee Challenge is Radio 2's brand new competition for kids, in partnership with the Royal Horticultural Society.



It's a fun and creative way to learn more about bees and other insects that help provide much of the food we eat, and are essential for a healthy environment.

If you are between the ages of 6 and 12, we want you to design a bright, buzzy garden that will attract bees and other pollinating insects. The winner's design will be built by the RHS at an NHS Trust site which is used by children and young people with mental health needs.

The lucky winner will be invited to open the garden at an outside broadcast of [**The Zoe Ball Breakfast Show**](#) on Friday 20 August 2021! You will meet loads of guests, receive a professional illustration of your garden design and go home with a box of goodies to help turn your own outside space into a wonderland for bees.

[BBC Radio 2 - Radio 2's Big Bee Challenge](#)- for more information
[R2 Big Bee Challenge Entry form v4 \(bbc.co.uk\)](#) – for the entry form