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Be the best that you can be: 'Whatever you do work at it with all your heart as if working for the Lord and not for people'.
Colossians 3.23



WE ARE
MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT

Last Thursday, Foundation held a coffee morning to raise funds for Macmillan

Cancer Care. Children from Nursery and Reception sang nursery rhymes such as 'I'm a little teapot' and 'Grand Old Duke of York', to a large number of very proud mums, dads and friends who came to support the event. Thank you for your donations of cakes and generous support; we raised an amazing £299.00!



Harvest Thanks

We received an amazing amount of donations of food for the local Food Bank and toiletries which Rev. Sheilagh will be taking to Uganda later this month. Your generosity will benefit so many at home and abroad. It was lovely to see many parents and friends at the Harvest Service at St. John's last Thursday. Thank you once again for your generosity.



May we take this opportunity to thank all those mums and dads who attended our first PTFA meeting last Monday. Your ideas and enthusiasm were overwhelming and we are looking forward to working with you all. If you do have any time to help out but feel you do not want a role on the committee please feel free to come along and help. Our next meeting is Monday 12th October 9am. Looking forward to seeing you!
Mrs Baker & Mrs Railton



On Tuesday Year 2 presented their class assembly sharing what they have enjoyed doing over their first four weeks. The children all spoke confidently and clearly during their recital of 'The Harvest Bounty'. After the children received awards, parents were invited to see how their children were using the Reading Eggs computer programme.



2015 Class Hands-up Survey

Modeshift Stars is a sustainable travel accreditation and recognition for schools all over the UK. It is a Government initiative to improve

the health of children by encouraging walking, cycling, car sharing and other green and healthy ways of getting to school. St. John's have achieved a Silver Star and with your continued support we are aiming for Gold! Here are the results during our first two weeks back to school. As you can see we already have a high percentage of children using alternative methods of getting to school. Keep up the good work!

Walk	99
Cycle	37
Scooter	47
Bus	2
Car	10
Park + Stride	9
Car Share	3



We are pleased to inform you that we have a dentist visiting school during the our Open Afternoon/Evening on Thursday 8th October from 1.30pm to 6pm. The dentist will be here to examine your child's teeth and answer any problems you may have.



War time experience!

On Wednesday 23rd September Year 3 and 4 visited Eden Camp as part of their World War 2 topic. The children were very enthusiastic as they wandered around the World War 2, Italian Prisoner of War Camp which is now a museum. The children thoroughly enjoyed their visit as it brought WW2 to life! They learned a great deal from visiting the many different parts of the museum such as the Blitz, the German U Boat, the Great Escape, Women at War, and the Black Out. They have used their experience to produce some quality writing.

Family Play Talk Learning

We are still holding Early Years Language and Phonics skills sessions every Wednesday 9.15 - 11.15pm. Everyone welcome.

Dates for Diaries			
5.10.15	KS2 Boys Football against St. Augustine's (away) after school	3.11.15	Victorian bike lessons! Y5 & Y6
8.10.15	Parent/Teacher consultations - KS1 from 1pm.....KS2 from 3.20pm	13.11.15	Children in Need - Brighter Biker Day
9.10.15	Parent/Teacher consultations - KS2 1.30pm - 3.30pm	20.11.15	Sports Hall Athletics at the Dolphin Centre Y5/6
14.10.15	Tag Rugby Festival Y5/6	25.11.15	Gymnastics Festival
12.10.15	PTFA meeting 9am all welcome	26.11.15	School Photographer
22.10.15	Cross Country Festival KS2	1.12..15	Gymnastics Final
22.10.15	Autumn Disco after school - KS1 3.20 - 4.30pm KS2 4.45- 6pm	18.12.15	Break up for Christmas Holidays
23.10.15	Half Term break	5.1.16	Children return to school
3.11.15	Children return to school (Tuesday)		