

St. John the Evangelist Church School

NEWSLETTER



Term 2.5 Thursday 30th November 2017



BATH & WELLS
Multi Academy Trust
"That they may have life, life in all its fullness" John 10:10

Dear Parents and Carers,

With December almost here, Christmas has arrived in full swing at St John's. The children and staff have been busy preparing some beautiful decorations for the Atrium, and Mrs Rawlinson has been working hard today to ensure the Christmas tree is ready for tomorrow, when we hold the annual Friends of St John's Christmas Fair. It promises to be a wonderful event and we look forward to seeing you in school to mark the start of the festive season.

Please be reminded that tomorrow is a non-uniform day and we would like children come to school dressed in their own clothes in exchange for a bottle, which will used on the bottle tombola stall. With the weather set to be cold again I ask that children wear sensible, warm clothes suitable for school.

It has been another very busy week and I have been out and about attending various meetings and development days this week. My apologies that I have not been on the gate to greet you. Please remember that I operate an open door policy, and that this extends across the school. If you would like to discuss anything with me then do please come into school. If I am not available at the time, Mrs Rawlinson and Mrs Overton in the office have access to my calendar and can arrange a time for us to meet.

The Christmas post box will be in the Atrium from Monday 8th to 15th December 2017. Please can we ask that all Christmas cards are brought into school during this time only.

There have been some exciting events taking place in school and in the community. These are featured below. I would like to thank all children, staff and parents who have contributed to these wonderful activities. Not only do they help support the breadth of our provision but they also help us to really be part of our community.

Wishing you all a very happy and peaceful week ahead,

Ian Doswell

Headteacher

St John's in the community



Members of the school council represented the school with other pupils from Clevedon school to turn on the Christmas lights in Queen Square, Clevedon. Well done to Sid, Izzy, Eliza and Genevieve who represented our school so well last Saturday afternoon. Thank you for turning out on such a cold day!

Owls had a fantastic time at Destination Bethlehem yesterday. We were taken through various scenes from the book The Three Trees, telling the Christian message of hope and love very clearly with interactive drama, shadow puppets and a full sized boat and rain! They made cards, and voted for their favourite Christmas tree and were all given a small bag of sweets and a wooden Christmas tree to take home. A huge thank you to the Baptist Church for all the preparation and delivery of this amazing event.



Thank you

The amount raised through the poppy appeal this year was a £96.00. Thank you to everyone who purchased a poppy in order to raise funds for the Royal British Legion.



Children in need raised a massive £474.79. This was from the non-uniform donations, 2016 wristband sales and book sale in Owls Base. Thank you so much for your generous support.

Other forthcoming festive events to look forward to:

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| Thursday 14th December at 10:00 | KS1 Nativity, in the school hall |
| Thursday 14th December at 14:15 | Owls Base Nativity, in the school hall |
| Friday 15th December at 14:15 | KS2 Carol Service, at St John's Church |
| Monday 18th December | School Christmas Dinner |
| Monday 18th December | Owls and Kites Base Christmas Party |
| Tuesday 19th December | Hawks and Eagles Base Christmas Party |
| Tuesday 19th December | Last day of term. |



Further details regarding tickets etc will be sent to you shortly.

Life Education Bristol

The Life Bus will be on site next week 6th-8th December 2017. All classes will visit the Life Bus. We are very grateful to the Friends who this year are paying for this educational visit. See poster attached to find out more. Why not attend the parents drop-in session?



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Please be reminded that general safeguarding information can be found on our school website under the policies section. The Child protection officer for the Primary school is Mr Ian Doswell, or Mrs Nicola Short in his absence. If you have any concerns regarding the safety or welfare of any child in our community please do not hesitate to contact them.

Community News

(Although these events are not endorsed by the school, they are shared with you for your information).

North Somerset Tennis Academy

will be running Christmas tennis camps over the festive period at Clevedon seafront tennis courts Elton Road Clevedon BS21 7RH. The days will be action packed with team games, tennis drills, matches and even the 'Mini- Olympics'! Score points for your team, become champions in the Davis Cup tournament, and make great friends along the way.

£10 per day or 3 days for £25, 4 days £30, 5 days £35, book all 6 days for £40 - Early drop offs available.

December dates:

Wednesday 20th 9am - 1pm - Thursday 21st 9am - 1pm Friday 22nd 9am - 1pm

Thursday 28th 9am - 1pm & Friday 9am - 1pm

Wednesday 3rd January 9am - 1pm

Activities are divided into age groups or playing ability.

All players are welcome from 3 - 16 year olds – Rackets Provided

To book your child's place and for more information, please contact Stuart directly on 07593 456 869 or email stuart@n-somersettennis.com

Stuart Bannerman Head Coach