

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents/Carers

This has been another incredible year at St John's. We are very proud of all the children's achievements and I would like to thank you for your continued support. The challenges that face schools continue to grow but we have so much to be proud of at St John's.

Leavers

It is time to say goodbye to our amazing Year 4 children and families. We wish you all the best as you move on to your new Middle schools.

Everyone is welcome to the Year 4 Leavers' service in the church at 1.45pm on the last day of term.



Staff

As is often the way, we are saying goodbye to some members of staff at the end of this academic year.

Mrs Hancock will be Head of School at Witchampton, but she will continue in her role as school improvement lead for EYFS within the Trust, so we know we will still be in touch!

Mrs Weir heads to Emmanuel Middle School within the Trust to take up a leadership position.

Mrs Raynor, from the school office is also heading to pastures new, along with Mrs Almond. We wish everyone well in their new roles. Good Luck and keep in touch!

On behalf of all the staff, I wish you an enjoyable summer break; let's hope this wonderful weather continues.

I look forward to welcoming you back on Wednesday 5th September 2018.

Yours sincerely



Katharine Anstey
Headteacher

Wedding Bells!!

Miss S Lemon, our SENCO, is getting married over the summer holidays. I am sure you will join with all of us in wishing her & her fiancé a wonderful day and much happiness in their future life together. When she returns in September, she will be Mrs S Pond.



Attendance

This academic year we have been a priority school with Wimborne Academy Trust, following our overall attendance last academic year. I am delighted, that following a Trust review, we are no longer in that position. There has been a significant improvement in whole school attendance, which is currently 96.1%, in particular in the group of persistent absenteeism, which is when a child is below 90%.



Thank you ensuring that the school is the best it can be. We kindly request that you do not book school holidays during the school term, to ensure that this trend continues.

Wimborne Academy Trust

You will have recently received a copy of the summer edition of the Wimborne Academy Trust newsletter which celebrates a wide range of achievements and events which have taken place across the Wimborne Academy Trust schools.

Lockyer's Middle School in Corfe Mullen is the newest member of the Wimborne Academy Trust family. With the addition of this 9th school to our team, we now have in total 2,900 pupils and 450 teaching and support staff.



Uniform - Kitz UK

St John's is moving to on-line ordering of uniform with immediate effect. This will give parents greater flexibility with ordering of uniform. The supplier will deliver to school on the third Friday of each month. Home delivery is available but will incur a delivery charge. The first two deliveries will be on Friday 20th July and Tuesday 4th September [Training Day but staff will be in the office.]



Please follow the link below to order uniform <https://st-johns-wimborne.secure-decoration.com/>

The link is also available on the school website.

Book bags, PE bags, hats and water bottles will still be available to purchase from the school office.

Hot School Meals

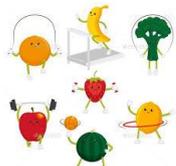
With effect from 1st September 2018, the cost of school meals will increase to £2.50 per day. This will not affect those in receipt of Universal Free School Meals [Reception/Year 1/Year 2] or our Free School Meals children.

Please remember in order for your child to have a hot meal when the new term starts on Wednesday 5th September, you will need to book meals by Sunday 26th August 2018 at the latest. To book meals, visit

www.dorsetmealselector.co.uk



Fit & Fruity



Thank you for the enthusiasm you have shown towards Fit & Fruity Fridays. Your comments were a delight to read last week, in particular that coming to school on a Friday is exciting and that it is great to see all the smiles!

Miss Jessop will continue to lead this initiative and we will continue in the Autumn term.

Message from the Friends of St John's



Thank you all for all your support this year. We are pleased to announce that the Summer Fair raised over £1000 for our school. Thank you so much to everyone who helped out on the stalls and to everyone who came down and had fun in the sun with us. It was a really lovely atmosphere and I hope everyone enjoyed themselves.

I'm delighted that we have some volunteers to take forward the work of the Friends and I know it will go from strength to strength.

We hope you all have a lovely, fun and enjoyable summer holidays and also find time to relax as well!

Thank you all for the lovely gifts at the Summer Picnic, we both really appreciated it!

Many thanks

Julia and Debs

Wimborne in Bloom

You may have seen last week how beautiful the front of the school looked. The Wimborne in Bloom judges were here on Tuesday and the South and Southeast in Bloom were here on Thursday. They were so impressed with what they saw they came back on Friday to take photos to support the Wimborne Britain in Bloom bid. Watch this space!



Thank you to Mrs Selby and all our Eco warriors for working incredibly hard to look after our beautiful grounds, especially this year with the challenges of the drought!

Hot off the Press!! We have just been advised that St John's achieved 1st place in Best School Grounds & Gardens category.