



St John's Church of England First School

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Dear Parents & Carers

St John's School Action Plan 2016-17

This year at St John's CE First School we are developing the following areas:

~To ensure that pupils are working at or above age related expectations in Reading, Writing and Maths

~To ensure that progress of disadvantaged pupils is carefully tracked, barriers to learning identified and appropriate interventions in place

~To ensure that SEND pupils have closely matched targets relevant to their individual needs with appropriate interventions and support in place to ensure progress is made

~To continue to develop a positive learning culture through the implementation of the 'I can problem Solve' programme

In addition, we will continue to develop many different aspects of our school and strive for continuous improvement for all the children. If you would like further details please see the Mrs Anstey for full action plan.

Wimborne Academy Trust News

As part of Wimborne Academy Trust we are in the fortunate position to be able to work in partnership with all the schools within our Trust and the CEO, Liz West, to improve many aspects of St John's.

This term, teachers have had the opportunity to work with colleagues to develop our English and Maths teaching. We have also received joint training on the new 'Understanding Christianity' resources provided by Diocese of Salisbury.

In addition, the Heads and Deputy Heads have worked together to ensure that we are prepared for an Ofsted Inspection (whenever that may be!)

These fantastic opportunities are an important part of our ongoing commitment to self-improvement and development.

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St John's First School St Michael's Middle School Witchampton First School

The children are also working together across the Trust to look at ways to improve our anti-bullying policy. Our two Rights Respecting Ambassadors have been working hard with our School Council on a questionnaire which we have all completed. We look forward to hearing about their progress!

Privacy Policy

Please see the school website for our updated Privacy Policy.

School Council

School Council members have now been elected for the Spring term and the representatives for each class are as follows:

Giraffes	Dolphins	Pandas	Snow Leopards
Jacob Esme	Nell George G	Daisy Dylan Isabella*	Molly Ben William*

* William and Isabella are our Rights Respecting School Ambassadors.

Worship Team

The following children have been elected to the Worship Team for Spring term:

Giraffes	Dolphins	Pandas	Snow Leopards
Harry F Beatrice	Henry George W	Kianah Leon	Lilyana Ruby Ava

Class Assemblies

Dates for Class assemblies are listed below. All welcome to attend.

Year Group	Date	Time
Year 2 Dolphins	Monday 27 February 2017	9.00am
Year 4 Snow Leopards	Wednesday 1 March 2017	9.00am
Year 3 Pandas	Wednesday 22 nd March 2017	9.00am
Year 1 Giraffes	Wednesday 29 March 2017	9.00am
Year R Elephants	Wednesday 17 May 2017	9.00am

St John's CE First School Parent Prayer Group

The parents' prayer group has run for many years at St John's and is an important part of our community network. The group meets to pray for our school and pre-school and would welcome new families to join. However, we recognise many parents work and may not be able to regularly join the prayer group meetings but may like to keep in touch via email.

If you would like to receive a half termly email with pointers to pray regularly for St John's School and Pre-School or would like to meet with other parents, please give your email address to either Captain Kev (Kevin Metcalfe), Mrs Anstey or Jane Jeffery (janejeffery2@gmail.com).

Celebration of Learning

Celebration of Learning will take place on Monday 6th February from 2.45pm-3.15pm. This is a chance for parents & carers to come into school and share in your child's learning.

Shakespeare Week!

This term, St John's will be celebrating 'Shakespeare Week' (20th-25th March). This is an annual, national celebration giving primary school children a thrilling first encounter with Shakespeare.

The children won't need to dress up, but through some exciting drama and role-play workshops, they will have the opportunity to learn about some of Shakespeare's most famous characters and plots. We will also be taking a look 'behind the scenes' to learn about the life and times of one of the greatest authors of all time!



School Nurse Drop-In

The next School Nurse drop-in will be held on Thursday 9th March 9.00am-9.30am in the Busy Bees Room. If, at any time, there is a matter you would like to discuss with the school nurse, please let the office know and we can arrange for her to contact you.

Start of Day Arrangements

Whenever possible, we try to encourage the children to be independent when coming into school in the morning. I would respectfully remind parents that the school day starts at 8.55am and all parents/carers should have left the school building at that time. Any children arriving after that time should report to the school office. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Yours sincerely

Mrs K Anstey
Head of School



Comments/ideas/suggestions? Please complete this slip, cut it off and return it to the school office for the attention of Mrs K Anstey.



Age of child(ren)