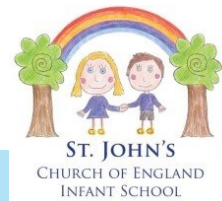


# St John's C of E Infant School

## Newsletter 7th October 2022



### Latest News

We all enjoyed a drama workshop this week from PERFORM—we went on a super adventure. Thank you Perform team.

Rabbit class are busy with their letter learning and there are lots of discussions around what each letter is, and making links to words with that letter in as well as how you write it.

Foxes are retelling the story of Peace At Last having looked closely at what happens at the beginning, middle and end of the story.

Badgers have been using their study of Picasso to create self portraits using simple shapes and a small range of colours to explore cubism.

<b>Christmas Play dates</b>	6th, 7th & 8th Dec 2.15pm
<b>Badger class assemblies</b>	28th Feb 2.30 24th May 2.30
<b>Fox class assemblies</b>	13th March 2.30 26th June 2.30
<b>Rabbit class assemblies</b>	7th March 2.30 15th June 2.30
<b>Sports day</b>	5th July picnic lunch starts, 12.30

We are busy trying to plan and provide dates for the year ahead. We believe we can begin to plan further ahead than has been possible in the past few years. Please see some new dates added to the school calendar.

Offers of voluntary help are always needed to help provide essential support. We have to carry out a Disclosure and Barring Check, known as a DBS on all volunteers. This requires the person to complete an online form and then provide ID documents to the school office. Each year you are required to update/refresh your training. If you already have a DBS or would like to apply for one so that you can help in school or on school trips we are holding a training meeting on Tuesday 1st November at 2.30. Please let us know if you would like to become a volunteer. If you are already DBS checked we will send you an email to check your availability for this meeting. Thank you

### Dates

- 13th Oct—Harvest Festival 9 am at the church
- 14th Oct—PTA Quiz night
- 21st October—End of term
- 31st October—Back to school
- 2nd Nov—Whole school flu immunisations
- 14th November anti bullying week. Children wear odd socks to school
- 18th November Children in need. Be proud to be you ( children wear their own clothes)
- 23rd Nov— Yr 1 trip to Guildford Cathedral
- 6th Dec—Christmas play
- 7th Dec—Christmas play
- 8th Dec—Christmas Play
- 16th December—Last day of term 2pm

**We are looking forward to our Harvest festival on Thursday 13th October @ St John's church. Doors open at 8.30 service begins at 9.00.**

**Rev Richard Bodle shall be speaking.**

**Please support us in collecting for the White Chapel Mission. See the leaflet below for ideas.**





# Values News



"Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God"

Thessalonians 5:18



We are thankful this week for our friendships and all the people in our school who are kind.

We are thankful that people care and share as they play. We know that being kind, caring and sharing makes us thoughtful and helps us to let our light shine.

We are all unique and special, it is important we are thankful for how unique we are.

Who are you thankful for in your life?  
You are unique. Be thankful you are unique.



## Celebrate Success

This week the star learners are:

In Rabbit class the star learner this week is Darwin who has been fabulous at trying new things.

In Fox class the star learner this week is Mimi for amazing writing.

In Badger class the star learner was Digby for fantastic attitude in all of his learning.

**Well done everyone we are so proud of you!**





# Attendance

## Please note

A Headteacher may only grant leaves of absence in exceptional circumstances—a leave of absence for the purposes of a family holiday is not an exceptional circumstance.

You cannot plan for illness but you can plan for when to take your holidays. It may feel like only a small amount of time for a holiday but then if your child also becomes unwell during the same year they would be missing out on many more days. Following consideration, should you still require a leave of absence you must complete a form and submit it to the office.

There have been quite a number of requests already this term for absence for holidays. School term dates are available [here on the Surrey website](#). Please check these and the school calendar before booking your holiday.



# Safeguarding

## Safeguarding

If you are concerned about the safeguarding of a child at any time, please contact Surrey children's single point of access C-SPA on :0300 470 9100

You can contact the school Safeguarding leads Mrs. Stevens or Mrs. Ireland [DSL@stjohnsfarnham.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:DSL@stjohnsfarnham.surrey.sch.uk) or telephone 01428 713216

## Wellbeing

If you know a family, child or young person in need of help. You might like to point them in the direction of the Surrey website <https://www.mindworks-surrey.org/>

Should you be looking for some advice on speaking with your child about grief and loss then you may find this a useful article. [Tiny Happy People](#)

# Hello!

Welcome to Mindworks Surrey, the new emotional wellbeing and mental health service for children and young people in Surrey.





## One week to go !!

### The Great St John's Quiz returns!

A popular social occasion to get together, let your hair down and have some fun, whilst doing your bit for the children and the school.

Come and join us on Friday 14th October for some light hearted quizzing fun, dinner and drinks.

£20 per person to include arrival drink, curry (delivered by Pipasha, Churt), dessert, fun & games.

Location: St John's School Hall

Arrival: 7:30pm

Quiz begins: 8pm

Dinner served: 8:30pm

Quiz ends: 10:30pm

Tickets limited so book soon and no later than 12th October. Tables are x8 people and tickets can be booked as a table if you have 8 friends in mind or individually and we will seat you.



Each table of 8 will then make up 1 team on the night.

After payment, you will be redirected to a sign-up page to provide details of any dietary requirements and those in your party. We will create teams based on numbers but if you have pre-arranged a team of 8 please provide the names of those in your team when re-directed so we can ensure you are seated together.

We can't wait to see you!

PTA information or share your ideas:

The chairs can be reached directly on:  
[stjptchairs@stjohnsfarnham.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:stjptchairs@stjohnsfarnham.surrey.sch.uk)





# Picasso and Prayer Sticks!



Picasso self  
portraits in  
Year Two



Prayer  
sticks in  
Year One

# Our Community — Harvest Festival collection

## St John's Harvest 2022 Appeal Donations please for the Whitechapel Mission

For many years now, St John's Church and School have supported the Whitechapel Mission through our harvest festival giving which helps the mission in its work in supporting the homeless in the Whitechapel area of London.

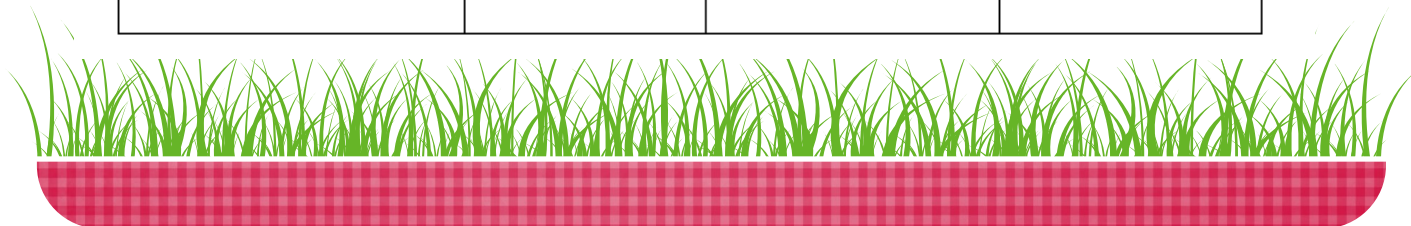
**Delivery Instructions: Please deliver items in BAGS OR BOXES to St John's Church**

### PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING

On 1st October 2021, the UK Food Information Amendment also known as Natasha's Law will come into effect in England, Scotland and Northern Ireland to help better safeguard food allergy sufferers. This means, if you wish to donate pre-packaged food or drink, then it needs to include a full ingredient declaration on pack with allergens highlighted in bold and packaging needs

**They are desperate for the highlighted items.**

Tinned & Dry food	Toiletries	Clothing	Bedding
Porridge Peanut Butter Brown Sauce Chocolate Spread Runny Honey Nuttella Squash Pot Noodles Biscuits Bakes Beans Plum Tomatoes Chopped Tomatoes Sugar Instant Hot Chocolate Coffee Shredded Wheat Tinned Fruit Tinned Soup Weetabix Bottled water	Shower Gel Shaving Foam Shampoo Roll-on Deodorant Spray Deodorant  Need help with Toothbrushes Body Lotion Body Wash cream	Underpants Boxers Jeans 28-36" Trousers 28-34" Small Rucksacks Mens Trainers Mens Shoes Socks  Need Help with Winter Jackets Winter Coats Baseball Caps Woollen Gloves Woollen Hats Woollen Scarves T-Shirts Jumpers Hand Towels Bath Towels	NO BEDDING





# Our Community



## After School Clubs with Boogie Pumps

### St Johns Infant School

Wednesdays 3:00 - 4:00    Autumn Term £5850

**WHAT WE DO**  
Boogie Pumps offers upbeat, energetic and exciting after school clubs where your child can learn street dance in a safe environment, grow in confidence and make new friends.

We pride ourselves on celebrating individuality and developing skills whether they are complete beginners or part of our elite group. We encourage your children to be their best, not the best.

Our bright and bubbly, hand selected teachers deliver your child's weekly dose of fun through our dance classes. Each class consists of a warm up, tricks, skills, dance related games and the best bit of all learning a new routine every few weeks.

**HOW TO BOOK**  
Bookings can only be made through our website, please visit:  
[www.boogiepumps.co.uk/farnham](http://www.boogiepumps.co.uk/farnham)


**WHAT TO BRING**  
A change of comfortable clothes along with a healthy snack and water bottle. Dancing is thirsty work!

**BP MERCHANDISE**  
A wide variety of items are available to purchase via our website.



**NEED HELP?**

T: 07562 777353    E: [laurel@boogiepumps.co.uk](mailto:laurel@boogiepumps.co.uk)  
W: [www.boogiepumps.co.uk/farnham](http://www.boogiepumps.co.uk/farnham)  
@boogiepumpsfarnham    @BPFarnham



## THURSLEY SCARECROW TRAIL

**SUNDAY 16TH OCT  
11.30AM-3PM**

**'SPOOKY SCREEN CHARACTERS' THEME**

Entries open to all - drop scarecrows to hall on Sat 15th Oct 2-4pm  
Trail starts at Thursley Village Hall, GU8 6QA on Sun 16th  
Hot dogs, cakes & refreshments at the hall  
For more info, contact [thursleyscarecrowtrail@outlook.com](mailto:thursleyscarecrowtrail@outlook.com)

---

## Our Community

---

NEW Early Years Ballet Classes in Wrecclesham and Lower Bourne

ENROLLING NOW! Starting after half term

Wednesdays 2pm Nursery Ballet age 2 +

Friday 10.30am Come Dance with Me Age 18m +

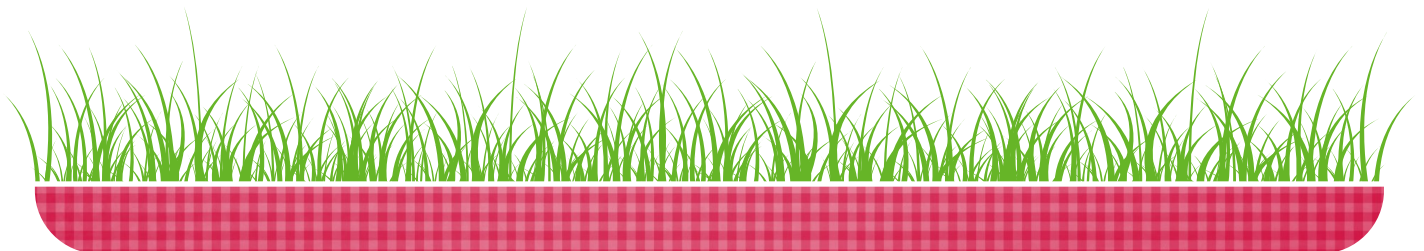
Saturday 9.45 am Nursery Ballet age 2 +

Saturday 10.15am Year R Ballet age 4 +

Inclusive, Fun, Creative, Themed, Musical, Dance classes for tiny Children. Small class sizes. We welcome parents to get in touch with enquiries now

Unique 3 week trial

<https://www.littlefarnhamballet.co.uk>





# Our Community

## Music & Movement Classes

for children aged 0-12+ years

**Free Taster Session**

**JOY-FILLED  
INTUITIVE &  
STRUCTURED**

Real, active music learning  
Classes for all ages and abilities  
Fun, friendly & playful atmosphere

www.vivacemusicsschool.co.uk follow us on f  
info@vivacemusicsschool.co.uk 07553 416347



**vivace**  
MUSIC FOR LIFE  
FOUNDED BY LEN TYLER



**Kodály-based classes in Fleet, Farnham, Yateley and Bordon**



**Fun—Sensory—Structured**



Bouncing Beans (0-2yrs)	<b>Sensory</b> - fun & relaxed music classes for babies and toddlers, bonding with a trusted grown-up. PAYG option for babies <6mths
Movers & Shakers (2-4 yrs)	<b>Imaginative &amp; active</b> - musical journey of singing, movement & playful activities for older toddlers and preschoolers
Music Explorers (4-6 yrs)	<b>Find your voice</b> - entry level class for children in Reception and Year 1. Fun music & movement activities build confidence, nurture creativity & establish the basics (beat, pitch, rhythm)
Music Adventurers (5-7 yrs)	<b>Grow in Understanding</b> - learning to understand the language of music through games, singing & instruments; playful introduction to music notation. Children get to grips with exciting rhythms, master ever more complex games and play tunes on instruments (e.g. xylophones, chime bars)
Music Discoverers (6-8 yrs)	
Music Creators 1&2 (7yrs +)	<b>Bring it all together</b> - children apply skills learned previously to a tuned instrument (recorder), and children learning to play other instruments are invited to bring these to the lessons. Playing by ear, sight-reading, notating music, transposing, harmonising and ensemble playing are all covered systematically. By invitation only.
Music Masters 1-3 (9yrs +)	<b>Thrive</b> - continue the musical journey mastering ever more complex concepts through continued practice of singing, movement and games; work towards NYCoS Gold (ABRSM Theory Grade 5 equivalent) qualification. By invitation only.
Home Ed Music Creators (7-11yrs)	<b>Learn together</b> - weekday morning classes for home educating families
Magic of Music (SEN)	<b>Bespoke</b> - small sensory class for children with special educational needs. All ages welcome



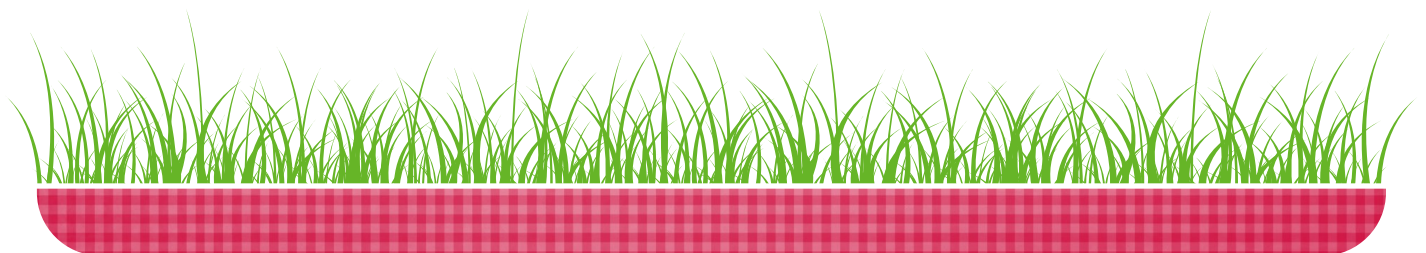
**early bonding language**

**More than a hobby—**  
music is like a whole-body workout for the brain. Its positive effect on learning is well documented and young children benefit the most!

**physical co-ordination**

**emotional intelligence**

**numeracy social skills**



## Our Community

We are still looking for a Crossing Patrol Officer who could support the children safely across Barford Lane in the morning and afternoon.

Surrey County Council

would accept a job share for this position. For more details [Click here](#)



St John's C of E Infant  
School  
Barford Lane  
Churt  
Farnham  
Surrey  
GU10 2JE

Phone: 01428 713216

E-mail:  
[office@stjohns-  
farnham.surrey.sch](mailto:office@stjohns-farnham.surrey.sch)

### CHURT VARIETY SHOW

SINGERS, COMEDIANS, ACTORS,  
MUSICIANS, DANCERS ...  
BRING YOURSELF, YOUR MUM, YOUR DAD,  
YOUR GRANDMA OR YOUR PET BUDGIE, &  
SHOWCASE YOUR TALENTS IN A  
5 MINUTE PERFORMANCE  
*No Competitions, just good fun.*

EMAIL THE PRODUCER ANT LLOYD-PERKS AT  
[ALLOYDPERKS@YAHOO.CO.UK](mailto:ALLOYDPERKS@YAHOO.CO.UK)  
OR CALL ON 07769143787



GIVE IT A GO,  
IT'S YOUR CHANCE TO SHINE!  
All proceeds to charity, organised by:  
'The Friends of St John's'

OPEN  
TO ALL

**26 NOV 22**  
EARLY EVENING PERFORMANCE  
St John's Church, Churt