## St John's C of E Infant School Newsletter 27th January 2023

#### **Latest News**

Gung Hey Fat choy! Happy Chinese New Year We really enjoyed learning about Chinese New Year celebrations in our dance workshop. Don helped us to explore dragon, lion and ribbon dancing. We even did a procession through the school! You can find photographs below and lots more on our website gallery page.

Mrs. Wills is looking to update our forest school seating and has asked that we put out a plea for anyone with planks of wood that could be used to make benches for forest school or for stumps the wooden planks could be placed on. If you have any such items you would be willing to donate, please contact the school office.

<u>Art Competition</u> The Haslemere confederation of schools are holding an art competition — there can be entries placed from work completed in school and art produced at home. If your budding artist would like to enter an entry from home please see the leaflet below.

Mindful Messaging In the dark and cold winter months of a new year, it seems the right time to remind everyone as a school that we promote the use of mindful messaging. In an age when it is so easy to pick up our devices and type exactly what we personally are thinking or feeling, then send it to a large group of people, it is good to remind ourselves that this isn't always the best way to behave. It maybe something best said between close friends and not a large group. It may be a problem you should be directly speaking with the school about and we always invite you to speak with us. The large class message groups do have a place for helpful reminders or finding lost items. As such, when people are upset by the messages placed on these large groups we do hear about it, and often people share with us what has been written. Please be mindful in your messaging. Let us all be good role models to our children.



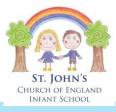
#### **Dates**

- 21st Feb—Shrove Tuesday pancakes fund raiser
- 13th—17th February Half Term
- 27th Feb—2nd March Pupil progress conversations (parents evening)
- 28th Feb—Badger Class assembly, 2.30pm
- 2nd March—World Book Day– Dress as book Characters
- 7th March—Rabbit Class assembly, 2.30pm
- 13th March—Fox Class assembly, 2.30pm
- 16th March—Year 2 trip Windsor Castle
- 17th March—Comic Relief day
- 24th March—Skipping day workshops
- 31st March –End of term, 2pm

For these and other dates.

**Online Calendar** 





# **Values News**



1 Peter 3:8

'Live in harmony with one another'

This week we read the story of the invisible string which

teaches us that we are connected to loved ones by an invisible string. We cannot see it but we can feel it. It got us to thinking about whether we always need to see people to know they love us and we love them. We decided you don't have to, some people may live far away but you can still love them.



Do you always have to see things to believe?

We were also delighted to be joined by Reverend Derek Holbird in our worships this week ,some of us hadn't met him before so he came to meet us and tell us about himself. He is coming back next week too.

#### **Celebrate Success**

In Rabbit class this week's star learner was Charlotte for her fabulous counting.

In Fox class this week's star learner was Teddy for challenging himself & sticking at it.

In Badger class this week's star learner was Noah who is a phonics superstar!

Well done everyone we are so proud of you!



## **Health and Well-being**



As illnesses set in for the winter you may find this NHS website page useful for information about school attendance. Is my child too ill for school?

The children's mental health charity, Place2Be, has a website aimed at helping parents with typical situations they can find themselves in with their children.

Advice can be found on over forty topics including:

- Understanding sibling rivalry?
- My child is lying, what does it mean, what should I do?
- My child has trouble going to sleep
- My child says 'I hate you!'
- Cultural identity: who am I?

The Parenting Smart website can found here:





# Safeguarding

### **Safequarding**

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 or

telephone 01428 713216



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

## 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.mindworkssurrey.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











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Activities vary per location – see online. If you have received this fiver from your child's school, this does not mean the school endorses Ultimate Activity Camps.



This month's copy of Families South - West can be downloaded here https://bit.ly/FamiliesMagJanFeb23Digital

#### The Last Wednesday Support Group

A confidential place to share experiences and knowledge. For parents and carers of children with additional needs with or without diagnosis.



We meet at St Francis Church Hall, Beavers Hill, Farnham GU9 7DF (off Three Stiles Road)

#### At 9:30am until 11:30am





Nov 30th 2022 Dec 14th 2022 Dates for 2023

January 25th 2023 February 22nd 2023 March 29th 2023 April 26th 2023 May 24th 2023 June 28th 2023 July 12th 2023



Contact Vanessa on 07766 404480 or Emma via emmajfox77@gmail.com Car Parking Available

# Dance Fitness Farnham

# **Churt Village Hall**

## Wednesdays 11.30am Fitsteps

Love Strictly? Then you'll love Fitsteps! Latin and ballroom dance workout - no partner required

## Thursdays 11.30am Zumba Gold

Low impact - ideal for beginners, those returning to exercise, older active adults

Life is always better when you dance! ALL WELCOME!

All classes £7 First Class Free!

For details of these and other classes, please contact Alison Edwards 0781 397 6841 alizumba835@gmail.co.uk dancefitnessfarnham.co.uk







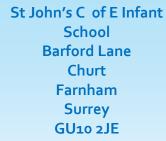




We are still looking for a Crossing Patrol Officer who could support the children safely across Barford Lane in the morning and afternoon.

**Surrey County Council** 

would accept a job share for this position. For more details <u>Click here</u>



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