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# St John's Church of England Primary School

## Weekly News

### Headteacher's Message:

Dear Parents/Carers

We have finished the penultimate week of the half term and the children are ready for a well earned rest after one more week of school. It has been a half term which has been disrupted by a number of viruses and bugs within the school community which has seen children and staff away from school. In the section below there is a link which advises families of when children should be kept off school. Attendance is really important for the children to flourish and maximise their potential but there are times when the children need to be at home to recover from illness or stop the spread of infections or viruses as well.

Having focused on 'Endurance' in assemblies over the last half term, I have continued to try and model this through my training for the London Marathon! Despite the cold weather, I have been plodding the streets and country roads in a bid to prepare my body for the occasion! I am running for a charity called 'Whizz Kidz' who support young wheelchair users up to the age of 25. There will be a quiz at the school in March to support the charity and the following is a link to the fundraising site - some families have asked and any support would be appreciated. [Whizz Kidz](#)

In the next month there have been reports that there will be a cold snap once again. If the weather disrupts the school day, we will communicate through email, text and on social media to ensure that the news is shared.

Kind Regards

Olly Priestley - Headteacher

<b>Certificate Winners:</b>	<b>Attendance:</b>	<b>Safeguarding/Well being:</b>
Windsor - Hunter Attenborough - Xavier Mandela - Walter McCartney - Rayan Hawking - Josie Simmonds - David Pankhurst - Iydon Rashford - Ava Medal - Darcie-May (5)	Help and advice regarding whether or not your child should attend school if they are feeling under the weather can be found here: <a href="#">Is my child too ill for school? - NHS</a>	There are an increasing amount of children that are arriving at school on bikes without wearing bicycle helmets. The weather is frequently below freezing in recent weeks and therefore the ground has icy patches that are often impossible to see. The children will be at risk on their bikes of slipping or falling - or cars slipping on untreated roads. It is imperative they are wearing helmets to protect them in the event of an accident.

Sharing joy and hope in the community

## Weekly House Point Winner: ST PATRICK

### School Disco

The Friends of St John's are organising a disco for the children on the 13th February.

Times: KS1: 3.15pm to 4.15pm

Yr 3 & Yr 4: 4.30pm – 5.30pm

Yr 5 & Y6: 5.45pm – 7.00pm

Cost: £2.00 per child to include refreshments. Please book via Scopay. Children who are not booked in will not be admitted.

Could children please bring their own, named water bottle which will be refilled, thank you.

If you are able to help at any of the sessions your help would be much appreciated. Please contact the school office for more information, thank you.

Please look out for more fundraising events coming soon.

### Upcoming events:

13th February	School Disco
17th-21st February	Half Term
3rd April	Easter Service in Church
4th April	Last day of Spring Term
22nd April	First day of Summer Term
28th-29th April	Y3 & 4 residential trip to Barton Hall
5th May	Bank Holiday
26th-30th May	Half Term
10th June	Sports Day
27th June	School Closed for Staff Training
30th June	School Closed for Staff Training
17th July	Year 6 Leaver's Ceremony
23rd July	Last day of Summer Term