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# St John's Church of England Primary School

## Weekly News

### Headteacher's Message:

Dear Parents/Carers

We have all been enjoying a week of science over the last week - a popular time in the school calendar. I am thankful to Mrs Rolfe who has been the architect of the activities and its crowning glory was the Planetarium today. There was such positive feedback from the children who thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to explore this theme further. Our appreciation goes to the Friends of St John's who have paid for this experience for all the pupils due to their efforts with fund raising.

It was lovely to see so many parents this week attending Parent's Evening. I had excellent feedback from the staff with how positive the conversations have been. For any parents that missed the evening then please contact the school if you would like an opportunity to speak to the class teachers. For those children in Year 3, Mr Collins was available for the consultations. He will be in McCartney Class until the Easter holidays as Ms Eddy continues to recover from surgery.

A reminder to all parents to consider where they are parking before and after school. There are still some vehicles being left on yellow lines which is a hazard to all families trying to cross safely. There has been a parking warden attending the school in recent weeks due to the number of complaints that have been received. They will be handing out fines if cars are seen parking illegally.

Kind regards

Olly Priestley - Headteacher

### Certificate Winners:

Windsor - Euan  
Attenborough - Nathaniel  
Mandela - Lily  
McCartney - Frankie, Ivy and Harry  
Simmonds - Sicily  
Hawking - Liam  
Pankhurst - Isla  
Rashford - Austin  
Medal - Maisie (4)

### Friends of St John's Easter Bingo

Wednesday 1st April £1 per book



### Safeguarding/Well being:

A reminder to all parents that it is recommended to monitor any platform where the children are watching short videos. Spend some time scrolling on their devices because it will give you a flavour of themes that the children have been watching over recent months. Their devices will pick videos based on the owners interest - so if there is a concerning theme then it is likely they have been accessing material that is inappropriate.

Sharing joy and hope in the community

**Weekly House Point Winner: ST GEORGE**

**Photos from Science Week**



**The Wonderdome**



**Upcoming events:**

24th March	Wizard of Oz-performance in school
26th March 1.30	Easter Service in Church
1st April	iRock concert
1st April	Easter Bingo
2nd April	Last day of Spring Term
20th April	First day of Summer Term
W/b 11th May	Y6 National Tests
25th-29th May	Half Term
w/b 8th June	KS1 Phonics Screening
9th June	Sports Day
30th June/1st July	Y6 Secondary School Transition Days
1st July	Step up day
3rd July	Summer Fair
6th-8th July	Y6 Residential Visit
15th July 9.30	Y6 Leaver's Assembly in Church
17th July	Last day of Summer Term
20th-22nd July	School closed for staff training

**Term dates and INSET days for the 2025-26 and 2026-27 academic years are on the school website under the News and Events tab.**

**Tiverton Theatre** - coming to the stage is the wonderful **'The Detective Dog'** by Julia Donaldson. It's a brilliant, heart-warming tale of a dog with a very special nose, and we are delighted to share an exclusive offer for all staff, pupils, friends & families and are offering an exclusive **20% discount** on all tickets!

**Show:** The Detective Dog by Julia Donaldson

- **Date:** Saturday April 4<sup>th</sup> 3:00pm
- **Location:** Tiverton Theatre, Tiverton High School, Bolham Road

**Your Exclusive Discount Code:** Go to [www.tivertontheatre.com](http://www.tivertontheatre.com) and enter DETECTIVE20 at checkout for 20% off.