

Friday 20th March 2026

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St John's Church of England Primary School

Weekly News

Headteacher's Message:

Dear Parents/Carers

It is Red Nose Day today and the children are in non-uniform and have been enjoying a few events that have been arranged by the School Council. There has been a joke competition, see overleaf for a selection of the best! I hope they keep you entertained. A reminder that the school always raise money on these days, but the proceeds go towards our chosen charity, which this year is the 'Archie Project' which supports local elderly people with dementia.

I wanted to celebrate some feedback from visitors we have had this week. Unfortunately, a number of staff have been off ill in the last week which needed supply teachers in various classes. Four separate supply teachers have taught in Years 4 and 5 in the last five days and all of them have made a point of telling me how wonderful the children had been and stated that they would very much like to return to the school in the future. I have been very thankful and shown my appreciation to these year groups who have been excellent ambassadors for St John's.

The school have also had visitors from Better Planet Education who approached the school because they wanted to celebrate the work that was being achieved by Miss Allen and the Green Team. One of their supporters is a musician called Billie Marten, who came into school and delivered a song writing workshop. Climate action is one of the priorities of the school and Miss Allen and her Green Team are certainly leading from the front which is much appreciated.

Kind regards

Olly Priestley - Headteacher

Certificate Winners:

Windsor - Sienna-Anne
Attenborough - Tristan
Mandela - Jasmine
McCartney - Octavia
Simmonds - Donell and Sofia
Hawking - Madison
Pankhurst - Oscar
Rashford - Natalie
Medal - Ivy (3)

Friends of St John's Easter Bingo

Wednesday 1st April £1 per book



Safeguarding/Well being:

The school have once again received complaints regarding parking along Priory after school, with one disabled resident unable to leave their house due to a car parking across their drive. It is imperative that all the school community are respectful to our the local residents and also thoughtful towards the safeguarding needs of the children when driving and parking around St John's. The school didn't need parking considerations when it was built, so parking is always at a premium - but this needs to be done safely.

Sharing joy and hope in the community

Weekly House Point Winner: ST PATRICK

Last Day of Spring Term

On Thursday 2nd April school will be closing at 2pm. There will be no after school club on this day.

Red Nose Day Jokes

Leo: I remember when I threw pebbles in to the lake. I still miss that hamster.

Lordina: Did you hear what England said to London? UK?

Aubree: Why did Elsa never go to the doctor? Because the cold never bothered her anyway.

Othniel: How do you get a ninja to cross the road? You say ninja go.

Alister: I told the nurse I got bitten by a wolf. She said 'where'? I said no, just a normal wolf.

Janelle and Aubree-Rose: What do you call a camel with 3 humps? Humphrey.

Ben and Leo: Someone said to me, 'I'm cold'. I told them to go and stand in the corner, it's always 90 degrees over there.

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. Closing at 2pm. No after school club
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.

PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1) EASTER HOLIDAYS 2026

moneySavingCentral.co.uk/kids-eat-free

ANGUS STEAKHOUSE Kids under 8 eat FREE daily, 12pm to 5pm	MORRISONS Kids Eat FREE all day, every day with a £5 spend
ASDA Kids eat for £1 daily, with no adult spend	MARCO PIERRE WHITE Kids under 12 Eat FREE daily with an adult spend
ASK ITALIAN 2 Kids eat free from 27th March - 19th April 2026	PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM Kids eat FREE with every £4 spend all day
BELLA ITALIA Children eat free Sunday - Thursday	PIZZA HUT Kids Eat Free Every Day after 5pm
BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE 2 Kids Eat Free Breakfast with one paying adult	PREMIER INN 2 kids eat for free with 1 adult breakfast
BILLS Kids eat free Mon 30th March - Fri 10th April	PRETO Kids up to age 10 eat free with 1 paying adult
BREWDOG Kids eat free 28th March - 12th April 2026	PUREZZA Kids under 10 get free pizza with every adult meal
CAFE ROUGE Kids Eat FREE 12-4pm every day of the week	SA BRAINS PUBS Kids eat for £1 on Wednesdays
COCONUT TREE Kids eat free Mon 30th March - Sun 19th April	SUBWAY Kids eat Free from the 6th - 13th April
CHIQUITO Kids eat free during all school holidays	SIZZLING PUBS Kids eat for £1, Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm
DOBBIES GARDEN CENTRES Kids eat for £1 with an adult breakfast or lunch	TABLE TABLE 2 Kids Eat free breakfast daily with 1 paying adult
FARMHOUSE INNS Kids eat FREE weekdays 30th March - 17th April	TGI FRIDAYS Kids Eat Free with any adult meal (Via App)
FRANKIE & BENNY'S Kids eat FREE daily from 30th March - 17th April	THE REAL GREEK Kids under 12 eat FREE Sundays with £10 spend
FUTURE INNS Under 5s eat for free with any adult meal	TRAVELODGE 2 kids eat for free with 1 adult breakfast
GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS Kids under 10 eat FREE all day, every day	TURTLE BAY Kids eat free with every £15 adult spend
IKEA Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am	WHITBREAD INNS 2 kids eat for FREE with 1 adult breakfast
LAS IGUANAS Kids under 12 eat FREE with 'My Las Iguanas' App	YO! SUSHI Kids eat free all day (weekdays) in school holidays

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SEND White Paper Parent Information Event

Date: Tuesday 24th March

Online (via Microsoft)

Time: 6:30pm



We're delighted to welcome Polly Kerr, Head of Education Law at Simpson Millar, who will guide us through the **SEND White Paper** and what it means for families.

Polly will break down the proposals and explore what could be the most significant changes to the SEND system in over a decade.

She'll discuss both the legal and practical implications for:

- Children and young people
- Parent carers
- Schools and settings
- Local authorities

There will be a Q & A function in this webinar for Questions





JUNIOR NETBALL CAMPS
For Years 3-7

10:00am-15:00pm

All at Court Fields, Wellington

Contact -
Wellington.Netball@outlook.com



HOME ENERGY SAVING FREE ADVICE TO REDUCE YOUR BILLS

Our trained advisors can help you reduce your energy use, which could then help you save on your household bills. This is a fully-funded service, so is completely free of charge – no catches – just expert support for those on a low income or in receipt of benefits.*



To find out if you qualify, or to simply ask questions about this service, please come and chat with Angi at:

The King's Arms Community Hub, Wellington on
Friday 27th March between 11 am and 3pm

A trained Home Energy Advisor will then visit you in your home.



Alternatively call: **01278 558 370**
or email: hello@burnhamandwestonenergy.co.uk
www.burnhamandwestonenergy.co.uk/home-energy-advice

*Offer applies to households with no more than £29,000 income, or if one resident is in receipt of benefits.

