

The Purple Page

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St. John's CE Primary School



Respect, Courage, Compassion, Friendship, Trust, Perseverance

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Next Week's Dates...

Mon 14 September	
Tues 15 September	
Wed 16 September	Girls' football trials
Thurs 17 September	Year 6 Assembly and Awards Y5 swimming lesson
Fri 18 September	Y6 football tournament Y3 brass lesson

Well done to our
St. John's Award winners!

Star of the Week

YR: Lewis
Y1: Riley
Y2: Jaxon
Y3: Savannah
Y4: Isla
Y5: Luca
Y6: Oliver

Christian Values

YR: Isla
Y1: Theo
Y2: Harry M
Y3: Frankie
Y4: Neo
Y5: Wilfred
Y6: Freya

Class Attendance Award: **Yrs R & 6**

Years R and 6 are our class attendance award winners this week, with the highest attendance of **100%**. They received their £5 class attendance voucher.

Whole-school attendance this week was **96.9%**.

Attendance is closely monitored to reduce absence, including persistent absence (less than **90%**). School panel meetings will take place at the end of half term to support families where attendance and punctuality are a concern.

Rec	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Total
100%	93.8%	96.4%	98.6%	96.8%	92.9%	100%	96.9%

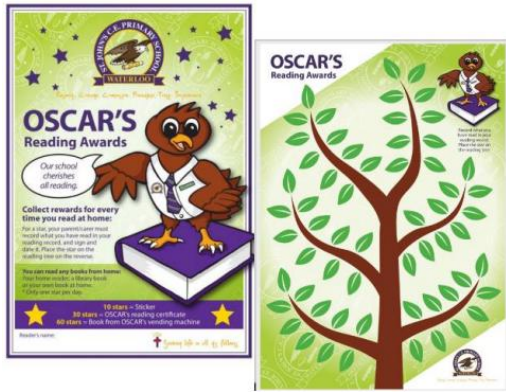
Red = below **90%** Amber = **90% - 94.9%** Green = **95% +**

Our Christian value
for this half term is...

FRIENDSHIP

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Click on OSCAR above for more information about reading on our school website.

Reading Awards

No reading certificates given today. We look forward to giving out lots next week!



Notices & News

AUTUMN TERM START: It has been lovely to welcome everyone back after the summer holidays, and we have had an excellent start to the school year. We're proud of how well the children have begun the autumn term – they are enthusiastic learners, look smart, and demonstrating our Christian values.

RECEPTION: Our youngest members of St. John's have had a fantastic start. We welcome them next week for their first full week! They have settled in beautifully and are a credit to all our families – well done, Reception!

SCHOOL UNIFORM REMINDERS: At St John's, we take great pride in the appearance of our children. We would like to take this opportunity to remind parents of the uniform expectations.. We appreciate and value the support of our parents in ensuring our children come to school each day looking smart and wearing the correct uniform. Thank you. All uniform should be clearly labelled, especially ties, sweatshirts, and cardigans.

Uniform expectations:

- All KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6) children must wear a tie. Year 3 – the children have been presented with their first tie.
- White polo shirt (KS1), white shirt and tie (KS2), grey school trousers (short or long), skirt or pinafore – leggings are NOT permitted, purple sweatshirt or cardigan – with school logo or plain, grey/white socks or tights – plain.
- All children must wear sensible black school shoes, NOT trainers.
- Holiday braids must be removed, and hair accessories are only acceptable in our school colours of purple and/or white, and no large bows.
- No rucksacks should be brought into school as we have no space to store them, and they cause a safety issue if they are left on the floor. Only approved bags measuring approximately 39 cm x 28cm will fit in the children's trays; briefcase-style bags are unacceptable. Numerous attachments such as keyrings will not fit into the trays. We provide children with all the stationery they need; please keep pencil cases at home for homework.

Jewellery: Jewellery cannot be worn in school except for watches (no watches with internet or camera facilities) and plain stud earrings, which must be removed for all P.E. activities. Parents should remove these for the children before school on P.E. days if necessary. Older children may remove them themselves, but the school accepts no responsibility for such items.

PE UNIFORM: We would like to continue to allow children to come to school in their PE kit on their allocated PE days. Unfortunately, we had an increased number of children wearing labelled sports tops, different coloured t-shirts, sports labelled trainers and sports labelled hoodies. In addition, a number of children wearing trainers with school uniforms. We have purposely considered the PE kit for St. John's to keep down costs for families, ensure that the PE kit is a consistent part of the school uniform and to ensure children look smart.

PE Uniform expectations:

- St John's logo or plain white t-shirt. Not a sports labelled top.
- Plain black shorts, black or navy jogging bottoms (not leggings or sports labelled tracksuits or leggings)
- Trainers must be plain black or plain white and must ONLY be worn on the allocated PE day.
- School cardigan or school sweatshirt (purple with St. John's Logo or plain purple)
- When children attend an after-sports school club or are involved in representing the school in a sports activity, PE kits must be brought to school for child/ren to get changed in school.
- Earrings must be removed before school, or children must be able to remove themselves.
- Long hair tied back.

Swimming: trunks (NO SWIMMING SHORTS) or one piece swimming costume and swimming cap and swimming cap. No jewellery can be worn and children will be asked to remove all jewellery, including earrings. We will have to ask you to take any items home that are not part of our uniform or may cause a safety hazard.

As always, thank you for your support in this matter.

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Please be aware that any scheduled school events posted below are subject to change.

We will endeavor to minimize any disruptions but changes may be unavoidable.

Date	Event
01 Sept	INSET day
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03 Sept	School reopens for children
07 Sept	Reception Day 1 – ½ day session
08 Sept	Reception Day 2– ½ day session
09 Sept	Reception Day 3 – ½ day session
10 Sept	Reception – full day Y5 swimming
11 Sept	Y3 start brass lessons
24 Sept	Picture News Pioneers training
25 Sept	MacMillan Coffee morning
06 Oct	Wombles Eco Project – school council @St Luke's Halsall
08 Oct	Parents' Evening 1
14 Oct	School photos – individual and sibling groups Capital schools Readathon
15 Oct	Parents' Evening 2
20 Oct	Production of 'Romeo and Juliet' – KS2
23 Oct	School closes for half term
HALF TERM	
02 Nov	School reopens. After school clubs start
05 Nov	Reception Parents Meeting – Phonics and Reading
10 Nov	'Meet the Judge' event @Liverpool Court – Years 5 & 6
13 Nov	New Reception Open Morning 1
20 Nov	New Reception Open Morning 2
27 Nov	New Reception Open Morning 3
01 Dec	Year 6 Parents Meeting – SATs and Residential
09 Dec	Reception Nativity – 9:30am KSI Nativity – 2:00pm
10 Dec	KSI Nativity – 9:30am Reception Nativity – 2:00pm KS2 Carol Concert – 6:00pm
11 Dec	Reindeer Run
15 Dec	Coverdale Puppets
16 Dec	Whole School Cinema trip
18 Dec	School closes for Christmas holidays
END OF TERM	

Seeking life in all its fullness