### St John's Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May Headteacher: Mr M Harrison email:admin@sjsmacc.cheshire.sch.uk <a href="https://www.stjohnsschoolmacclesfield.org">https://www.stjohnsschoolmacclesfield.org</a>

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Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> VE day – dress in red, white and blue.

Monday 12<sup>th</sup>-Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> KS2 SATS

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Mini Marathon (all in PE kit)

#### June

w.c. 9<sup>th</sup> Y1 Phonics Check

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Y1-6 sports day Y34 Start: 9.15 Finish 10.30 Y12 Start 11.00 Finish 12.15 Y56 Start 1.30 Finish 3.00

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> EYFS sports day (1.30) Friday 28<sup>th</sup> INSET day

### July

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> Y6 play (2.00pm) Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> Y6 play (5.00pm) Friday 11<sup>th</sup> reports sent home Monday 14<sup>th</sup> reports drop in (3.30-

Tuesday  $15^{\text{th}}$  Music concert with Mr

Watson (1.30pm)

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> Y6 leavers' service (6.00pm)

### **Pupil News**

We've had a lovely time in the sun this week, playing on the field at lunchtime and not having to wear our wellies to the forest!

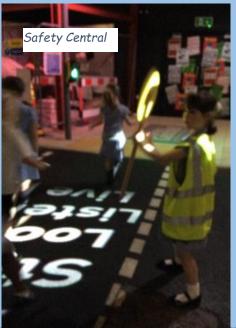
On Thursday the year 2s went on a trip to Safety Central where they learnt all about Fire, Home, Outdoor, Health, Online and Water Safety! We got badges at the start of the day and added stars to them each time we'd learnt something new!

And to finish the week off we held an Open afternoon where our grownups got to come into our classrooms to work with us, we all loved showing off our fabulous work which we are very proud of.

Thanks to the School Reporting Team - Ophelia, Faith, Bella, Lucy, Bertie, Dahlia, Molly, Layla, Ralph, Merry, Bonnie and Judah







### **Times Tables**

We have been battling between classes since our Times Tables Rock Stars day last Friday.



Mrs Wilby V Mrs Baldesera/Mrs Peacock (Mrs Wilby's class winners)

Mrs Arnold/Miss Teale V Mrs Clark/Mrs Dobson (Mrs Arnold/Miss Teale's class winners)

Miss Williams V Miss Foster (Miss Williams class winners)

Mrs Westerby V Mrs Johnson/Mrs Reed (Mrs Westerby class winners)

Well done as well to our top five scoring pupils in each tournament:

Mrs Wilby V Mrs	Mrs Arnold/Miss Teale V	Miss Williams V Miss	Mrs Westerby V Mrs
Baldesera/Mrs Peacock	Mrs Clark/Mrs Dobson	Foster	Johnson/Mrs Reed
Ellis	James F	Amber WG	Kevin
Hugo	Gabriel	Oliver D	Martha
Archie M	Dino	Roxi	Frankee
Jaxon	Dahlia	Freya	Brodie L
Theo	Hunter	Harvey B	Sean

### **Composting Challenge**

Our school recently took part in a composting challenge in Cheshire and we are pleased to report that we came second overall winning £75 for our school gardening team.

Well done to all the children who have helped in this challenge and a huge thank you to Mrs Patterson for her hard work and dedication to our garden areas around the school.

### **VE day**

Next Thursday we will be celebrating VE day in school. Children are encouraged to come dressed in red, white and blue to mark the occasion. If they would like to make a donation (£1) then these will be gratefully received and shared with a linked charity.





Upton Priory School, Berwick Close, Macclesfield, SK10

# Fun at the Hub Holiday Club

Open Monday - Friday during school holidays



Creativity Zone Sand Fit Chill Out zone Sports Den Building Mud Kitchen Outdoor Cooking Circus skills
Messy Play
Sensory Zone
Games
Growing and planting
Small World
Board Games
Budding Stars Stage





Pricing: Full Day - £30 (8:30am-5:00pm) Half Day - £15 (8:30am-17:30pm or 1:00pm-5:00pm)

Please telephone 01625 783500 (during school hours), 01625 783492 (wraparound care hours) or email funatthehub@uptonprioryft.school to book.

Please bring a packed lunch. Snacks and breakfast available.

### Support

There is a lot of support available via the family hub.

There are lots of drop in sessions related to mental health and special educational needs.

It can be frustrating getting to speak to a professional and waiting lists can be very long but you are able to book on certain sessions which take place in the local community.

There is a link on our website and they are displayed near the office:

https://www.stjohnsschoolmacclesfield.org/page/family-support/158453





### **Collective worship**

We have continued to think about the value of hope in our collective worship this week and looked at the importance of being resilient and staying hopeful. We learnt about the life of George Forman and thought about what that could teach us about being hopeful.

We also reflected on the news and looked at the bin strikes in Birmingham. The children were amazed at what is happening and very grateful for all the jobs that are done in our local community.

### Exciting News – We're Opening Places for 2 and 3 Year Olds!

Starting **September 2025**, we are delighted to be welcoming **2 and 3 year olds** into our nurturing and inspiring school community. The existing pre-school on site will be making use of our classroom space in the building as we develop a new and inspiring EYFS zone.

We offer a caring, play-based environment where your little one can begin their learning journey, supported by experienced and passionate staff.

### **∀** Funded places available

**∀** Wrap-around care to support busy families

Please get in touch to register for a place, to arrange a visit or to ask any questions.

Email: nicky@stjohns-preschool.org

Phone: 01625 430 800

### Attendance

Recent research has shown that missing just 10 days of year 6 reduced the likelihood of reaching the expected standard by around 25%.

The research showed that even a modest increase in your attendance has an effect on the attainment so please make every effort to have good attendance through the year.

If you child's attendance was	Your child will have lost approximately	Or they would have missed approximately
95%	9 days from school	50 lessons
90%	19 days from school	100 lessons
85%	29 days from school	150 lessons
80%	38 days from school	200 lessons
75%	48 days from school	250 lessons

PE timetable  These are the regular slots. Keep an eye on any emails from your teachers in the event of a change for a particular week.						
PE/Forest School:	Miss Williams	Mrs Cole	Mrs Walsh	Mrs Baldasera/Mrs	Mrs Walsh	
Children to dress in PE kit on these	Mrs Johnson/Mrs Reed	Mrs Baldasera/Mrs Peacock	Mrs Arnold/Miss Teale	Peacock  Mrs Clark/Mrs  Dobson	Mrs Cole	
days.	Mrs Westerby	Miss Williams	Miss Foster	Mrs Johnson/Mrs Reed	Miss Foster	
Children should have wellies in the sheds all week.		Mrs Wilby	Mrs Clark/Mrs Dobson	Mrs Westerby  Mrs Arnold/Miss Teale	Mrs Wilby	

## **Extra curricular clubs SUMMER TERM**

We keep a register of club attendance. In the event of over subscription for a club and names being pulled out of a hat we endeavour to ensure fairness by prioritising those who haven't been able to attend other clubs.

	Club	Leader	Year groups	Timing	How to sign up
Monday	Girls Football	Mr Sivewright	Y4-6	3.15-4.15	Letter returned to Mr Sivewright
	Explore group – asking big questions	Mrs Clark and Mrs Hawkyard	Y3-6	lunchtime	Children can drop in as they choose.

Tuesday	Rounders	Miss Foster	Y5/6	3.15-4.30	Complete a new letter and hand back to Miss Foster
Wednesday	Gardening	Miss Patterson	KS2	lunchtime	Miss Patterson will organise in school
	Dance fit	Mrs Reed	Y5/6	lunchtime	Mrs Reed will organise in school
Thursday	Football	PFC	Y3-6	3.15-4.15	https://premier-football- coaching.classforkids.io/
	Gardening	Miss Patterson	KS2	Lunchtime	Will resume after February half term.
	Eco Club	Mrs Dobson	KS2	Lunchtime	Expression of interest to staff
Friday	Street dance	Sylk Dance Academy	Y3-6	3.15-4.15	Sign up online: <a href="https://dancestudio-pro.com/online/classes.php?account_id=11199">https://dancestudio-pro.com/online/classes.php?account_id=11199</a>
	Multi- sports	PFC	Y1-6	3.15-4.15	https://premier-football- coaching.classforkids.io/
	Dance fit	Mrs Reed	Y5/6	lunchtime	Mrs Reed will organise in school
Various	Mr Sivewright will also run Forest School clubs at lunch time depending on the weather and other events in school. This will be an offer open to those interested on the day.				

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