

St John's CE First School

Newsletter

Friday 7th March 2025

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## DIARY DATES 2024-2025

Fri 21st March—Red Nose Day

Wed 26th March—Saplings Class trip to Blists Hill

Thurs 3rd April—Parent's Evening—sign up via dojo

Fri 4th April—Easter Bonnet Competition entries due in. £2.50 per bonnet.

Wed 9th April Easter Service 2pm St John's Church

Fri 11th April - Easter Crafts and Trail families welcome from 2pm

Thurs 10th April Art Attack Day

Wed 14th May - Class and Leaver's photos

Sat 21st June - Summer Fete

Sat 12th July— Village Hall 60th Anniversary celebration 12pm onwards.

More details to follow

Thurs 17th July Leavers Service 10.30am St John's Church

Picnic on the field 12pm onwards, families all invited,

**St John's First School**

**Christian value**

**for this half term is: Courage**



**Child of the Week**

Well done to the following children, week ending 27th February 2025

Acorn	Michelle
Saplings	Theo
	Teddy
Oaks	Sophie
	Ellie

**Child of the Week**

Well done to the following children, week ending 6th March 2025

Acorn	Aisha
Saplings	Tabitha
	Sophia E
Oaks	Poppy
	Layla

**Good as Gold**

Well done to the following children, week ending 27th February 2025

Acorns	Ruby
Saplings	Flossie
Oaks	Megan

**Good as Gold**

Well done to the following children, week ending 6th March 2025

Acorns	Flora
Saplings	Jonah
Oaks	James O

**Attendance**

Well done to the following classes for the week ending 27th February 2025

Acorns	87.50%
Year 1	100%
Year 2	89.33%
Year 3	85.33%
Year 4	91.66%
Year to date	
	93.63%
	Target 96%

**Attendance**

Well done to the following classes for the week ending 16th March 2025

Acorns	90%
Year 1	96%
Year 2	95%
Year 3	93%
Year 4	92%
Year to date	
	93.65%
	Target 96%



If your child is absent from school you need to contact us each day by 9am. If you do not contact us we will be contacting the Education Welfare Officer who will make a home visit.

We have a duty of care to ensure your child is safe.

As per our attendance policy.

For our new parents—if your child has a sickness or stomach bug they must remain off school, until they have been 48 hours clear.

If your child uses an inhaler please supply school with one, in a box with a named prescription label on the box.

We can only issue children under six years old. with prescribed Medication. Children over six can be given medicines such as Piriton or Calpol, but it must be provided by the parent.

All medication must be handed in at the office, where you will be required to fill in a consent form.

### **Easter Bonnet Competition**



£2.50 per entry. Payable on Parent Pay.

All entries must be handed in to the office by Friday 4th April.

Please name your entries., and write the year group!

Winners picked in each year group, judged by Cathy from Church. Prizes given after the Easter Service. Cathy will judge the bonnets based on the children's age.

Easter Trail and activities on 11th April organised by the PTA

We invite parents and carers in for the afternoon from 2pm onwards to spend some quality time together whilst tracking down the Easter Bunny!

The Dance Club will also be making a scheduled appearance to perform their Shrek number for all to watch.

## Scholastic Book Fair Competition Prize Winner's.

Congratulations to:  
Esme S and Charlotte in Acorns.  
Eddie and Madison in Saplings  
Ella and Hattie in Oaks.

Each of you have won a £5 voucher to redeem at the book fair.



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## BLISTS HILL VICTORIAN TOWN

Travel back in time and experience the sights, sounds and smells of Victorian life

Wednesday 26th March

Saplings Class trip to Blists Hill  
Please pay online via parentpay.

Packed lunches will be provided, however please let the office know if you are sending one from home, to avoid food wastage.

Huge thank you to the PTA for covering the cost of the coaches to keep prices low for parents.



Date for the diaries:

Easter Service

2pm

Wednesday 9th April

All welcome



Friday 21st March



Lets raise funds together for Red Nose Day.

This year the Red Nose Appeal is 40 years old. So therefore please dress up with an 80's theme.

Please do not buy anything especially, raid family's wardrobes, dust off your leg warmers, wear your neons, or tracksuits. Be creative!

Please donate via:

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rnd25-st-johns-cofe-first-school>





To sign up for Drama Club please pay via parent pay.

**Drama will begin on Wednesday 19th March 3.15-4.00pm**

Then the rest of the weeks running up to Easter dram club will finish at **4.15**

**After Easter drama club will finish**

**At 4.30pm!**

Mrs Austin has been contacted by a group performing Shrek at the Regent Theatre in Stoke.

They have offered us tickets to the event at £18.00 per person instead of £43.75. The performance is on Saturday 28th June at 2.30pm and is open to all family members 3+.

You do not need to be a current pupil at the school but this is a ticket only event and families would need to arrange their own transport.

If you wish to book tickets please let the office know by Monday 10th March, so that we can arrange a group booking to receive the discounted price.

### Shrek T Shirts

Madison's Mum Abi has kindly contacted a company to look into creating some Shrek the Musical T Shirts., for the children in Dance or Drama.

They are looking to cost approximately £8.17 per T-Shirt, dependant on numbers.

Abi is setting up a Whats App group. To join this to register interest please contact Abi on 07792 722221.

Squirrels Nursery Enquiry Form



For any one interested in a nursery space please use the attached QR code to register your interest.



**LIMITED NURSERY SPACES AVAILABLE FOR SEPTEMBER 2025**

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For more information

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email: [office@stjohnsbishopswood.org](mailto:office@stjohnsbishopswood.org)





**Leavers Service**  
**Thursday 17th July**  
**10.30am**  
**St John's Church**

Followed by an afternoon of picnicking on the field from 12pm onwards.  
All welcome, bring your own picnics, blankets, chairs etc and party the afternoon away in style. The Year 4's will be presented with their leavers hoodies.

Lets make it an afternoon we can all remember!



Please refrain from sending toys and fidget toys into school.  
We have plenty in school available for those who need them.  
We are finding they are getting lost, which causes distress or arguments with class mates.

## PTA Diary Dates

We are so thankful to have to PTA working hard to raise funds for us, not only do they provide equipment for school to use, they use their funds to subsidise the cost of school trips, making them more affordable for you. Coaches cost a lot more than you might imagine.

The PTA have a calendar of fundraising events planned .... Save the date!

Easter Bonnet Competition entries to be in by the 4th April.

Cathy will judge and present prizes on the 9th April.

Easter Trail and activities on 11th April.

Summer Fete 21st June

Harvest Disco 24th October

Christmas Fayre 12th December

More details will follow closer to the scheduled date.

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