



# NEWSLETTER No. 1

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## Diary Dates

- 18.09.2018 Mr Gilpin from Pittville School presentation to Y5 & Y6 parents 18.00
- 19.09.2018 Prayer Day at St Lukes Church Y1 - Y6
- 21.09.2018 Jeans for Genes Day - wear jeans to school for a small donation
- 27.09.2017 Home School Partnership, help your child with Maths 9.15 - 10.15 for Y1 to Y6
- 27.09.2018 Home School Partnership, help your child at home - 19.00 for Reception
- 01,02 & 03.10.2018 Parent Consultations
- 02.10.2018 PTFA Meeting at the Old Restoration 20.00
- 05.10.2018 PTFA Film Night 17.45 - 19.30
- 09.10.2018 Harvest Festival Service at St Luke's Church 10.00
- 19.10.2017 Colorfoto - Individual and Family group photos
- 19.10.2017 End of Term 1
- 29.10.2017 Start of Term 2

We would like to wish a very warm welcome to 29 new children in **Reception Class**. They have settled in very well and are busy making new friends and learning new things.



**Year 1** have had a fantastic start to the school year. They are getting into full swing with their new routines and expectations and are looking forward to a fun term of learning. If anyone would like to volunteer in Year 1 to hear some readers, they would very much appreciate it.

Welcome back everyone! We hope that you enjoyed the summer holiday and that the children are enjoying their new year groups. If this is your first newsletter as a Saint John's parent, may we take this opportunity to welcome you to our school. We hope that this will be the beginning of a close relationship between Saint John's and your family.



**Year 2** are looking forward to a visit to Sandford Park to look at and collect anything 'Autumn' in connection with their topic on Mother Nature. If you go on any autumn walks, please send in anything of interest for their classroom autumn table.

**Year 4** have made a great start to the year. One of their first challenges was to research influential people from WW2 and work together to produce a group portrait of them!



**Year 5** had a 'tasty' start to the year researching for their chocolate topic by comparing different chocolate flavours. They tried some interesting flavours including ginger and chilli. A great time was had by all!

### School Library



We are on a mission to make the school library great!

Plans to redecorate, refurbish, and restock the library are underway. Between October 20th - 28th, during the half term break, the library will be repainted and decorated with a mural.

We would like to invite you all to come along on Saturday 20th October from 10:00 -12:00 to help prepare the walls and shelves for redecorating. Please see Dorothy Marsden, Parent Governor, if you are interested in volunteering. Many hands make light work!

### School Funds

This is the time of year that we ask for a donation to school funds. The suggested amount is £5 per child. Please send money in a sealed envelope labelled 'School fund' in book bags to your child's class teacher. The money is used for extra-curricular activities, which would not be able to go ahead without these generous donations.

### School Value



Each term at Saint John's we discover, learn and apply one of our school values. This term, our school value is Courage. On the school website, under the School Values section, you will find an activity sheet that you and your child can work on while exploring this term's value.

### From the Office

If you have a child that has a sibling who will be joining Reception in September 2019, please can you ensure that the school office is notified by the end of the month.

Parents who require texts or emails to be delivered to both parents please contact the school office with this request.

Please see our school website under Statutory Information, Policies, for our [Safeguarding](#), [Anti-Bullying](#), [Health and Safety](#) and [Complaints](#) Policies. Please see our website for [Diary Dates](#) and Term Dates.

Mr Allison's 60 mile sponsored bike ride was completed during the summer holiday. He was raising money to financially support trips using the school minibus. You can still donate [here](#).

### PTFA



We hope that you all had a great summer. There are a few dates for the diary already. Also, we will be collecting your unwanted clothes for Bags 2 School on Wednesday 26th September; details will be in the book bags this week. The first film night of the year is on Friday 5th October and details about this evening will follow shortly.

The PTFA hold monthly meetings at the Old Restoration pub, so please bring all your fab ideas and get involved. Volunteers are always needed to help run our events, so if you can help out, please let anyone from the committee know.

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