



NEWSLETTER No. 10

March 2026

Dear Saint John's families,

So here we are, arriving at the end of the Spring Term! There are many different activities that we love at Saint John's and this term has been as busy as ever.

We celebrated Red Nose Day with everyone wearing red and taking part in some fun Red Nose Day learning. The money that the school community has donated has been safely stored, with the intention of giving it to a charity next term. Our School Council, with Mr Vaughan, are beginning to consider different options for supporting both a local and an international charity. This will enhance our teaching and learning around justice and help children understand how they can make a difference to others both locally and around the world. This was our only area for development in our SIAMS report and we want to respond over the next few months by reviewing our partnership with charities. Of course, we will continue to raise money through PTFA events which provide for the children in Saint John's and there will be some "big" charity days that we will continue to support. However, we wanted to develop links with potentially two charities to ensure our children continue to look beyond their own needs to those of others. (As an aside, I do encourage any new parents to read the SIAMS report which is published on the website: at the bottom of the Home page.)

Last week, the children enjoyed an extended playtime as we were able to achieve a record with our attendance! To have all of our children in school is our ultimate aim, as we know the difficulties children have when they do not attend school. So well done for bringing your children in!

Finally, there are few staff changes over the Easter, with Tricia Read and Maisie Powell leaving. Tricia has done a great job in the office and we wish her all the best for her new role at a secondary school. We are grateful to Maisie who has been our cleaner for a year and we wish her the best going forward. New staff are appointed already and I encourage you to introduce yourself to Leanne Hyde in the office when she starts in April.

Dates for your diary:

This week: On **Thursday (26th March) at 2pm**, we will celebrate with our Easter Service at St Luke's Church. Please do join us and help with walking to and from church!

EASTER HOLIDAYS start on Fri 27th March at 2pm

Monday 13th April: Inset Day - no school for pupils

Tuesday 14th April: Term 5 starts at 8.45am

Week commencing 20th April: parent consultations

Friday 1st May: Crazy Hair Day & non-school uniform!

Monday 4th May: Bank Holiday – School closed

Friday 15th May at 6.30pm: PTFA Disco

Friday 22nd May at 9.30am: Celebration of Learning

HALF TERM starts on Friday 22nd May at 3.15pm

Monday 1st June: Term 6 starts at 8.45am

Monday 8th June at 2.15pm: Open Classrooms

Thursday 18th June: Sports Morning

Wednesday 15th July: Y6 & KS2 Show at Highbury

Wednesday 15th July: Leavers' Disco (time tbc)

Thursday 16th July at 2pm: Leavers' Service:

Friday 17th July: School finishes at 2pm

There are various events on offer during the Easter break, so please do have a look at the Gloucestershire HAF website: <https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/education-and-learning/holiday-activities-and-food-programme>

Finally, I would like to say a HUGE THANK YOU to all of our families who came to our Open Classrooms and Tea with Mrs B. It was our most successful yet, with so many children supported by a member of their family. We know how much the children love having someone come in and it is clear that parents/carers learn a great deal too! We are grateful for everyone re-arranging diaries to join us.

Happy Easter! , Mrs Beevers



Written by Sharon Morrow TA



Due to staff absence, we have a reduced newsletter this time. Please do remember that there are lots of photographs, videos and information on Dojo. For the few who have not yet joined, please do contact the office!

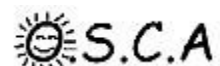
We have had a busy couple of weeks with

- Red Nose Day
- Football matches
- Netball tournament.

We got silver in the Netball tournament which was a huge achievement so a very big well done!!



We have places available at after school club on a Friday. Please email Annette at oscstjohns@yahoo.co.uk for further information or to make a booking. These can be one off sessions or permanent places.



Easter AT St Lukes Cheltenham

Maundy Thursday, 2nd April
7:30pm - Holy Communion



Good Friday, 3rd April
10am - Morning Service

Easter Sunday, 5th April
8am - Holy Communion
10am - Outdoor Celebration

Followed by bbq breakfast
and Easter Egg Hunt



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