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Newsletter 3: Autumn Term 2020

My apologies for the delay in getting this letter to you. The last few weeks in school have gone by so quickly.

Behind the scenes, all staff are getting ready for making it a special time for all of the children in school, even though we are not able to do all of our usual activities.

Curriculum News

'Star of the Week'

For the last two Fridays we have held our first whole school virtual 'Star of the Week' assemblies. It has been a pleasure to see all the children at the same time using our new webcams. We will look forward to more activities like this until we can be together again.

Assessment

All children across school have been working so hard this term and the majority of classes have completed assessments in Reading, Mathematics and Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling. Year 2 have also completed their Phonics assessment that was delayed from last summer.

I cannot express just how proud we are of the children and their positive attitude to learning leading to very pleasing outcomes.

The teachers will share your child's results with you in the new year via the planned telephone consultations.

Parent Information

Children in Need

Wow! Thank you for all your kind donations. The biscuits made by Claire and Lisa raised a mouthwatering £250 which was added to all your donations. The total came to a staggering £362.41. Thank you all so much.

Book Club

The deadline for any book orders is tomorrow, 9th December. Please send in any orders to the school office.

Christmas cards

As the festive season is fast approaching, please can we remind you that due to the current restrictions, the children must not bring their Christmas cards to school.

Christmas - School News

Christmas Lunch

We are looking forward to our Christmas lunch tomorrow, Wednesday 9th December.

Christmas Jumper Day

...is Friday 11th December.

Christmas Panto

We are very excited to be having a virtual Panto within school on Wednesday 16th December. It will be performed by a Specialist Company and relayed into every classroom. There will also be some special treats! Children can also wear their Christmas jumpers (again).

Christingle Service

Watch out for our virtual Christingle Service on our school YouTube channel. We will record the service, via Microsoft Teams, and share the link with you later on Thursday 17th December. If you have a YouTube account, please subscribe to our school's YouTube channel: **St.John's C of E Aided Primary School.**

We will once again be supporting the Children's Society. Your donations will be appreciated

Important Dates

School will close on Friday 18th December 2020 for the Christmas Holidays

School re-opens on Monday 4th January 2021 for the start of the Spring Term.

School will close on Friday 12th February for 1 week.

