

ST JOHN'S

Newsletter



Welcome Back!

We're having such a lovely start to the new academic year! The children are beautifully settled, working hard and seem happy to be back.

Thanks for your efforts to get school lunches ordered in advance - this has made life in the kitchen a lot easier and means less food wasted.

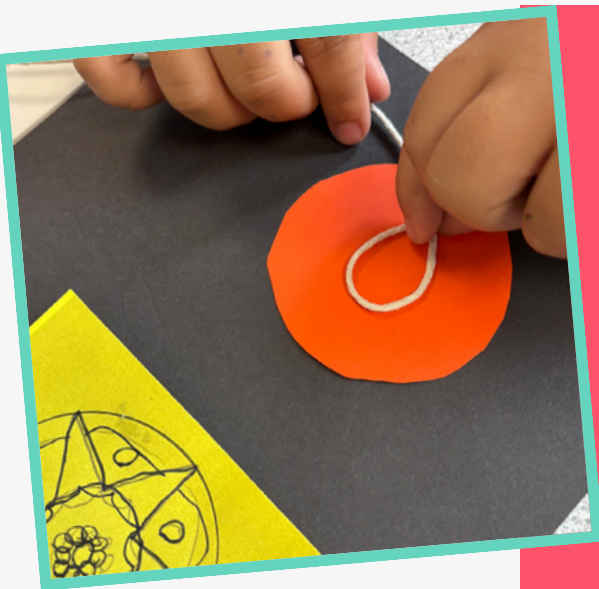
We're going to be making some changes to parent/teacher meetings and open events this year, so you can see and hear even more about how well your child is doing in school. Teachers will be in touch to let you know details soon. In the meantime, remember to read the class blogs every week to see what they've been up to.

http://www.stjohns.newcastle.sch.uk/website/class_blogs/91838



Wraparound Care

We now offer 'wraparound' childcare from 7.30am until 5.30pm, Monday to Friday. Due to government funding, we are able to offer the sessions at the very reduced price of £1 per session (7.30-8am, 3.30-4.30, 4.30 -5.30) Places are available to children from nursery (as long as the child settles) up to Year 6 and can be booked as a block or as a one-off session. Bookings can be made via this link <https://forms.office.com/e/gnfbBSb4CN> and must be paid for in advance.



Phonics

We launched our new Success for All phonics scheme this term and sessions are going really well - the children are making great progress already!

We haven't sent reading books home yet, but we will in the next few weeks, so that you can support learning at home to get your child reading confidently as quickly as possible!

Mrs Finlay will send invitations out for parent workshops and drop in sessions soon so you can come in to see and hear what it's all about and what you can do at home.



Baby/Toddler Group

This week saw the first session of our Baby and Toddler group and it was a brilliant afternoon! We meet every Thursday afternoon and play, chat and relax together. Anyone is welcome to attend (you don't have to have children in the school) and the sessions cost just £1 to cover the cost of a drink and snack. We'd love some dads to come along too! Drop me a message on Class Dojo or give me a ring on 07815968699 if you want more information. Space is limited, so book a place here:

<https://forms.office.com/e/6MdgkheX79>

Please note entry to the sessions will be via the gate leading into the Early Years Yard there will be no access through school or nursery.

Mrs Lishman

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www.stjohns.newcastle.sch.uk



Family Learning

Family Learning sessions start Monday 22nd September 1pm-3pm in the Bungalow for parents/carers of Nursery and Reception children. There are four sessions in total. Parents/carers meet for the first hour and the children join for the last hour. The sessions are informal and friendly and everyone who attends receives a free goody bag.

For more information or to book a place please contact Susan Lishman on class Dojo or 07815968699.

Important Information

All children from Reception to Year 6 should have a PE kit in school, consisting of white t-shirt and black shorts. For outdoor lessons, children need trainers and can wear black tracksuit bottoms and a hoody. Earrings must be removed for PE lessons to prevent accidents. Staff can do this, but it's easier if you remember to take them out at home on PE days please.

Thanks for your support with teaching the children to use a knife and fork! We're definitely getting there...



Autumn Term Dates and Holidays

Tuesday 2nd September - Tuesday 23rd December

**October Half Term Holiday
Break up Friday 24th October
Return Tuesday 4th November**

Training Day Monday 3rd November

Full term dates can be found on the school [website](#)