



**St. John the Baptist
Catholic Primary School**

We will prepare the way by loving, living and learning with the Lord



"Go throughout the whole world and preach the Gospel to all people" Mark 16:15

Newsletter

This half term's virtues are:

Friday 17.07.20

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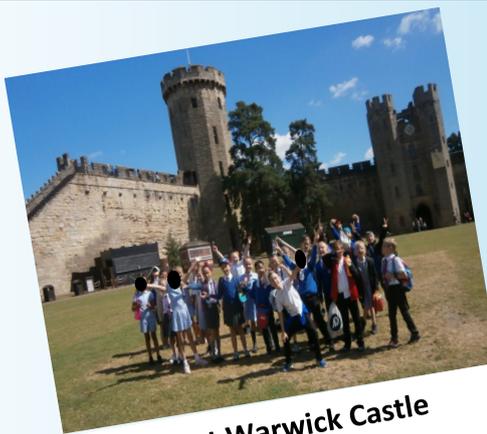
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Goodbye and Good Luck Class of 2020



This has been an unexpected and very unusual final year at St. John's for our Year Six children. They have missed out on so much during lockdown but they've contributed so much to our school throughout the seven years they've been with us. For the twenty children who have been back at school for the last month, it's been lovely to see you. For those who have remained at home, we've missed you. However for you all, please rest assured that you will be in our prayers both this week and in September. The photos opposite show just some of the special times Year Six have shared throughout their time at St John's.

Everyone at St John's wishes you good luck at your new schools, where we're sure you'll be very successful.



Fun at Warwick Castle



Confirmation



**Visit to a Buddhist temple
for Loving Week**



Gifted & Talented



**HAPPY
SUMMER**



Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 1st September

All day - Inset Day (school closed to children)

Wednesday 2nd September

Children return to school

Monday 19th October

All day - Inset Day (school closed to children)

Friday 23rd October

2.00pm - Break up for October Half Term

Monday 2nd November

8.55am - Children return to school

Friday 18th December

2.00pm - Break up for Christmas Holiday

Monday 4th January

All day - Inset Day (school closed to children)

Tuesday 5th January

8.55am - Children return to school



We also sadly say goodbye to Miss Walker today. I would like to thank her for the ten years of service she has given to St John's. During her time as a one to one tutor, she has helped hundreds of children to achieve their targets, improve in confidence and go on to really successful futures.

She will be missed by both staff and children and we wish her good luck in her future endeavours.

September Return to School Letter

You will have had a letter emailed to you this week which details our plans for a full return to school in September. Please ensure that you read this letter carefully as it contains information about new start and finish times for your child's class and shares which gate they should enter and leave school by.

It is vital that our plans run smoothly, to ensure the safety of the whole of our school community so we ask that you do everything possible to support our plans. Thank you



Birthdays

Happy birthday this week to: Khianna D, Jamie K, Demi-Leigh S and Tyler T.

We would also like to wish a happy birthday to those children who celebrate their birthday during the summer holiday:

Noah G, Freddie-Jay L, Arcange P, Thomas O'K, Lily W, Devon M, Carson D, Savni D, Harrison S, Rosalea B, Ellisiya-Rose H, Kayden D, Geneviene P-L, Taylor S, Courtney C, Raheena N, Riley M, Emilia K-D, Aurora D, Charlie G, Marshall D, Ameera I, Liam G, Rosebella P-S, Emily K, Lilly S-L and Khailan D.



September 2020 Arrangements

PE

From September until further notice, children will need to come to school in their PE kit for the day when they have PE with Coach Steve or Coach Hale, the days are as follows:

Early Years	Wednesday
Year 1	Tuesday
Year 2	Wednesday
Year 3	Wednesday
Year 4	Tuesday
Year 5	Friday
Year 6	Tuesday

Please see the letter about returning to school in September for more details.

Friday End Times

We will be resuming our 2pm end of the school day from September, however to assist with social distancing and keeping the bubbles separate we are asking that these times are adhered to:

From Early Years/Key Stage 1 gate:

1.55pm	Early Years & Year 3
2pm	Year 2
2.05pm	Year 1

From Key Stage 2 gate:

1.55pm	Year 5
2pm	Year 4
2.05pm	Year 6

Thank you for your cooperation with regards to this.

Year 6 - Last Day Fun!

Year 6 enjoyed some scrumptious pizza today to celebrate their last day here at St John's.



Mr Craggs - Welcome to Year 6



Mr Craggs has put together a welcome booklet for our new Year 6 children which you can access by visiting the Year 6 class page on our website or by clicking on the below link

<https://www.sjb.solihull.sch.uk/page/?title=Year+6&pid=31>

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus, our teacher, help us to listen and learn from one another. May we love one another as you teach us to.

Matthew 13:24-43

Jesus told them another parable: "The Kingdom of heaven is like this. A man sowed good seed in his field. One night, when everyone was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and went away. When the plants grew and the ears of corn began to form, then the weeds showed up. The man's servants came to him and said, 'Sir, it was good seed you sowed in your field; where did the weeds come from?' 'It was some enemy who did this,' he answered. 'Do you want us to go and pull up the weeds?' they asked him. 'No,' he answered, 'because as you gather the weeds you might pull up some of the wheat along with them. Let the wheat and the weeds both grow together until harvest. Then I will tell the harvest workers to pull up the weeds first, tie them in bundles and burn them, and then to gather in the wheat and put it in my barn.'"

Jesus told this parable – a special story - about the Kingdom of Heaven. He talked about a man who planted seeds of wheat in his field. His enemy came along and planted weeds in the field too. The man asked his workers to wait instead of pulling up the weeds straight away – he didn't want to lose any of his wheat. At harvest time though, it was easier to tell the wheat and the weeds apart and so the workers could burn the weeds and collect up all the wheat.

Jesus was a great teacher. He taught people by telling stories. Stories kept people interested in what he had to say and they help us today to understand things that are complicated. Jesus wants us to learn from him so that we can know more about God.



This week, let's give thanks to God for all the people we learn from. Let's look forward to a full return to school in September so we can all start learning together again. And let us try to learn more about Jesus and how he asks us to treat others.

Loving God, thank you for sending your Son Jesus to show us the way. Thank you for all the people who teach us. Help us to listen and to learn.

Amen.

From all the staff at St John's, we thank you for a fabulous year!

We wish you all a very happy and rested Summer holiday.

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