



Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2021 Autumn Term Issue 12

# NEWSLETTER

St John's Highbury Vale C. of E. Primary School

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The class with the best attendance  
at 97.7 % was

**Year 2**



The class with the best punctuality last  
week and with 0 children late all week  
was

**Year 3**

## Swimming Gala

On Wednesday morning, children from Yr 5 / 6 travelled to Cally pool for the Islington Primary Swimming Gala. It was extremely exciting for all the children at STJHV as we reached a new school best, qualifying for the finals in 11 races.

A huge well done to Ava, Lucy, Matilda, Aizah, Millie, George, Floyd, Jonny and Dillion from Yr5 and Abi, Kriya, Ebba, Maisie, Max A, Dylan, Alex, Adam and Taylan from Yr 6, who all pushed themselves beyond their comfort zones to compete!



After school childcare is from 3:30pm until  
6pm

Kidz Club costs £9 per day. (3.30 pm onwards)

**There is no Kidz Club on 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> December.**

## Dates for the next week

8th December – Christmas Lunch

8th December – KSI Nativity (Rec parents)

9th December – KSI Nativity (Year 1 parents)

10th December – KSI Nativity (Year 2 parents)

10th – Christmas Jumper Day



We are finishing  
at 1.30 pm  
on Friday  
17<sup>th</sup> December.





**FOJS**

# WINTER FAIR

## SATURDAY 4TH DEC 1-3PM

Join us at St.John's for a fun and festive afternoon. With Santa's grotto, football fun, Arsenal coaches, refreshments, tombola and a raffle with an iPad mini as the top prize

**OPEN TO EVERYONE**

Buy entry tickets £1 minimum donation p/person through ParentPay or on the door. Tokens for activities to be bought on the day - card payments taken

**RAFFLE PRIZES**
















## The school nurse is going to be running a coffee morning and drop in clinic.

On Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December in Mayberly Hall.

8:45 - 9:30 for the coffee morning

9:30 -12: open appointments if needed

We will have a presentation on sleep followed by parent's questions.

Parents can also have the opportunity to refer themselves to the service, if further support is required.



## Reception

Reception class have been getting ready for Christmas and learning about advent in RE. We made our own advent calendar, drawing scenes from the Nativity, thinking about why advent is special for Christians.



## Year 1

Year 1 made a discovery last week! We found some old toys in the Reception outdoor area, Luckily, we knew what most of them were. We were able to talk about how we thought the toys were used, what they were made from and who might have played with them based on our learning from our workshop the week before. We also made our Christmas wreath, which is made from old toys that we recycled- thank you for sending in the toys for us.





## Year 2

In Year 2, we have been thinking about poetry. We explored a variety of poems and tried to include the features that we noticed, in our own poems.

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2021

Li: TO write a poem

I'm ~~make~~ making rat spells,  
make you so ~~see~~ fat spells,  
Soir the bubbly cauldron with a  
stinky old log.

I'm making fog spells,  
ditch and hag spells,  
Turn you into a rusty old cog.

I'm making creepy spells,  
make you so peppy spells,  
Throw you on a broomstick ~~into~~  
onto a fat cat.

I'm making house spells,  
creepy like a mouse spells,  
give you all a nightmare til you  
scare a mat.

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2021

Li: TO write a poem

Im making mad spells wead and sad spells Soir the broken  
Raidren with a oger bed

Im making bad spells lasy and mad spells turn you into  
Suegs on a turnip head

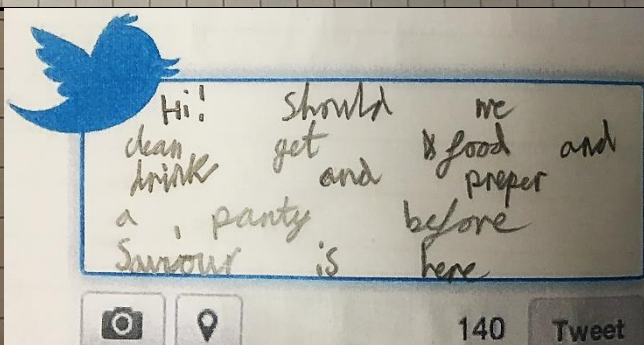
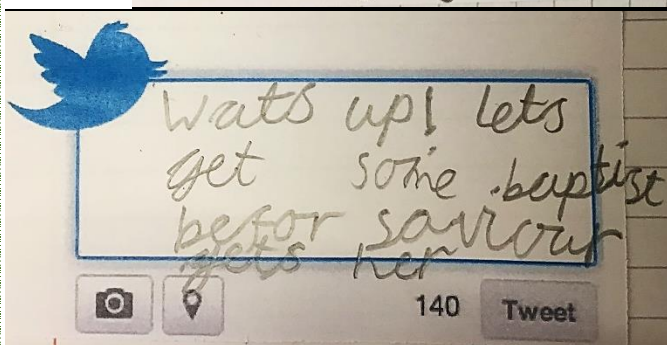
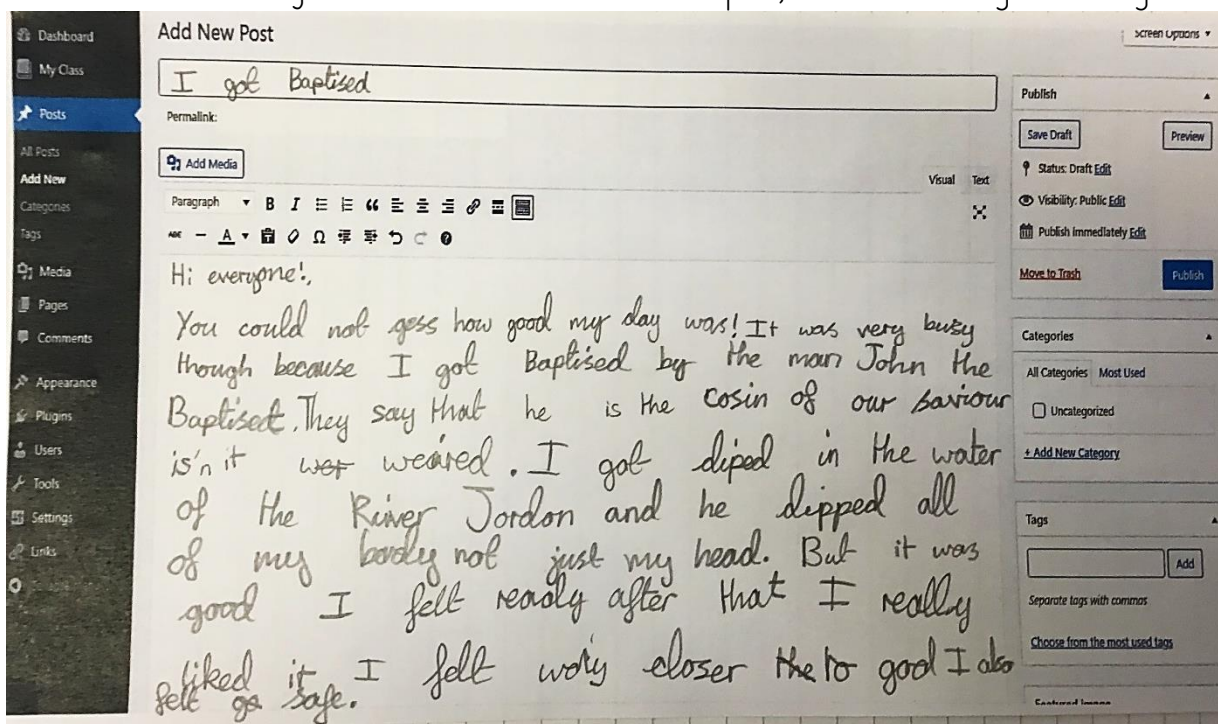
Im making cat spells wacky like jarg spells throw you  
On a broomstick throo the deep dark oeam

I'm making dark spells very loud, ~~for~~ and bark spells  
Give you all a bad dreams til you geel broken.



## Year 3

This week Year 3 have been looking at the John the Baptist in RE. We wrote some tweets and blogs about being baptised and ready for our saviour. Our favourite part was making the tweets because we could have fun with them. We also read from the Bible about John the Baptist, which was really interesting!



## Year 4

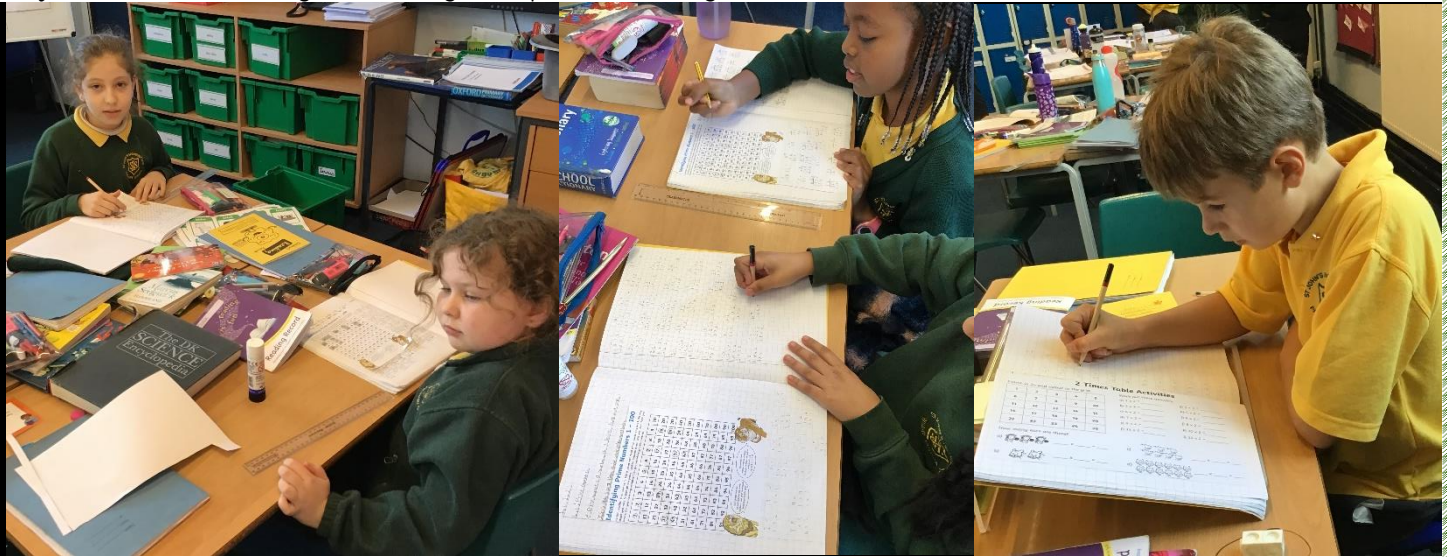
A Viking bake-off was had in Year 4! We made Victoria sponge cake and cut it into the shape of a long-ship, we then decorated it and added our sails and prows. We used icing as 'glue'. We named our long-ships and then devoured them - they were delicious!





## Year 5

This week, we have been investigating multiplication. The children have explored factors, prime numbers and square numbers through reasoning and problem solving.



## Year 6

How can you capture the destruction and gloom of a war time city? As part of our World War 2 topic in History, we tried to use a monochromatic approach with water colour. Pupils created the skyline of a bombed city and conveyed the atmosphere of those times.

