



# **St John's Highbury Vale C of E Primary School**

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**Friday 2nd February 2024**

Dear Parents and Carers,

I have had the pleasure of being in every class this week, and it was so wonderful to see how much the children are enjoying their learning. We had many enrichment activities across the school, including a river cruise, visiting St Paul's Cathedral, an assembly focused on girls working in the technology industry and number day activities.

## **Tech For Helping the Planet**

On Monday, we had an exciting assembly about how technology can save the planet. We looked at different jobs people can do, including environmental, automotive, and aeronautical engineering. In the assembly, we discussed how everyone can get involved, but focused on girls' involvement with technology. After the assembly, several children talked to me about wanting a career in technology.

Next Friday, Years 4, 5 and 6 will have a careers morning where they will meet doctors, lawyers, graphic designers and people from many more professions. They will have the opportunity to ask questions and learn more about the jobs people do.

## **St Paul's Cathedral**

The house captains visited St. Paul's Cathedral for the London Diocesan Board for Schools Service. The theme this year was Agents of Reconciliation. The children saw the World Reimagined globe installation, met children from other churches of England schools, and participated in the service. The House captains were amazing - I was very proud of them.

## **Number day**

Miss Slack organised a great day. The children enjoyed it, and it was an excellent opportunity to apply their Maths skills to everyday scenarios.

## **How can parents help with maths at home?**

1. Be positive about maths. Try not to say things like "I can't do maths" or "I hated maths at school" – your child may start to think like that themselves.
2. Point out the maths in everyday life. Include your child in activities involving numbers and measuring, such as shopping, cooking and travelling.
3. Praise your child for effort rather than for being "clever". This shows them that by working hard, they can always improve.





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## **Breakfast Club**

We have made the decision to open Breakfast Club earlier to help our working parents. From Monday the **19th February**, the gates will open from **7.45am**. The cost will remain the same. If you want to know more about it, please contact the admin team.

## **Key dates for next week:**

5th Feb- Children's Mental Health Week

6th Feb - Safer Internet workshop parents 9.30am (R to Y6)

9th Feb - Y2 Sharing Learning Assembly 2.50pm

As always, thank you for your support. Have a wonderful weekend.

Yours faithfully,

Ms H Khan  
Head of School

