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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy week we have had at St John's. The children are working extremely hard and improving their learning.

Y6 SATs

The wonderful Y6s have worked very hard this week to complete their SATs. The children were focused and tried their very best. I am so proud of them. Thank you, parents and carers, for ensuring your children came to school calmly, on time, and with a positive attitude. I would like to thank the staff who supported the children with administering the tests and the rest of the school for being very quiet and flexible.

Relationships & Sex Education meetings

You may have heard in the news that the Department for Education has released new RSHE guidance. The guidance is not yet finalised. Therefore, we will continue to use our current curriculum content, highlighted below.

Next week, we will be having parent meetings throughout the week to share with you what we will be teaching in our RSE lessons.

At John's, we use Jigsaw to teach PSHE and RSE. Jigsaw is designed as a whole-school approach, with all year groups working on the same theme (Puzzle) at the same time. This enables each Puzzle to start with a whole-school focus for the children.

Jigsaw aims to help children know and value who they are and how they relate to others in this ever-changing world.

There are six Puzzles (half-term units of work), each with six Pieces (lessons). Every year group studies the same Puzzle at the same time (in order from September to July), allowing for whole school themes and the end of Puzzle product. Each year, the group is taught one lesson per week, and all lessons are delivered in an age-and-stage-appropriate way to meet children's needs.

The different puzzle pieces are:

1. Being Me in My World
2. Celebrating Difference
3. Dreams and Goals
4. Healthy Me
5. Relationships
6. Changing me





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Relationships & Sex Education

An important part of the Jigsaw PSHE programme is delivered through the 'Relationships' and 'Changing Me' puzzle pieces, which are covered in the summer term.

There are four main aims of teaching RSE:

- To enable children to understand and respect their bodies
- To help children develop positive and healthy relationships appropriate to their age and development
- To support children to have positive self-esteem and body image
- To empower them to be safe and safeguarded

Each year group will be taught appropriate to their age and developmental stage.

Below is a summary of RSE coverage within the Jigsaw scheme for each year group:

- Foundation Stage - Growing up: how we have changed since we were babies
- Year 1 - Boys' and girls' bodies; naming body parts
- Year 2 - Boys' and girls' bodies; body parts and respecting privacy (which parts of the body are private and why this is)
- Year 3 - How babies grow and how boys' and girls' bodies change (on the inside and outside) as they grow older
- Year 4 - Internal and external reproductive body parts, body changes in girls and menstruation
- Year 5 - Puberty for boys and girls and conception
- Year 6 - Puberty for boys and girls and understanding conception to birth of a baby

If you would like to discuss the curriculum content, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Music concert (New date for the diary)

2nd July at 2pm, we will have a music concert. The classes involved will be **Y1, Y2, Y4** choir and **Y6** children. We would love to see you there.

Key dates for next week

Monday 20th - Y6 - Kayaking

RSE parent meetings - all meetings will be in the hall at 9 am.

Monday 20th - Y6

Tuesday 21st - Y5

Wednesday 22nd - Y4

Thursday 23rd - Y3

Friday 24th - Y1 and Y2

Friday 24th - KS2 disco





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Miep (Therapy dog)

Thank you for your generous contributions towards the charity Empathy Animals. Miep has brought great joy to the children and staff (mainly Emily). We are pleased to inform you that we will have Miep again next academic year.

Thank you for your support

Have a lovely weekend.

With thanks,

Ms H Khan
Head of School

