



St John's Highbury Vale C of E Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a wonderful week and managed to enjoy the last of the sunshine. As always, the children have been an absolute delight. Walking around the school and listening to their conversations about their learning is truly inspiring. Their enthusiasm and passion for learning is remarkable, and it is heartwarming to hear how many of them already express love for their new classrooms.

House Captain Speeches

On Monday, our Year 6 pupils delivered their speeches to the entire school, marking an important milestone in their leadership journey as they campaigned for the coveted role of House Captain. Each candidate worked diligently throughout the week and should be incredibly proud of their efforts. I have no doubt we've seen the rise of some future leaders among them.

The winners are

Red team - Immy and Anaafi

Green team - Sebastian, Ruqayyah and Andreas

Yellow team - Lisa and Sophie

Blue team - Millie and Sam

Parents Meeting

If you have not, please schedule a meeting with your child's class teacher. During the meeting, you will have the opportunity to discuss how your child has settled into the new school year, review academic expectations, explore ways to support their learning at home and address any concerns or questions you may have.

Harvest

We are preparing Harvest songs for our special assembly on October 1st at **Christ Church**. As in previous years, we kindly ask for your donations to support some of the most vulnerable members of our community. This year, all contributions will be distributed to our three local churches.





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Please contribute from this list:

- bags of rice or pasta
- tea bags & instant coffee
- packets of biscuits
- toothpaste
- bars of hand soap
- tinned fish - small tins of sardines, mackerel
- tinned baked beans
- microwave rice pouches
- tinned soup
- microwave rice and pasta
- UHT milk
- Cornflakes

Back Garden

Richard and our Forest School teacher, Nina, have been working hard to create a dedicated space at school where children can learn about the environment and sustainability. This space will be used regularly to enrich our curriculum and support the well-being of the pupils. We were fortunate to receive a grant from the local council, made possible by the persuasive letters written by our current Year 4 class, highlighting the importance of gardens in schools.

If you would like to visit and see what we've accomplished, please let me know. I'm incredibly proud of what we have achieved, and with your continued support, we can ensure its lasting success.





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Kid's Choir



Last Sunday, a group of Year 5 and Year 6 pupils had the wonderful opportunity to perform at The Scoop on South Bank. The children delivered an outstanding performance, and their singing was truly exceptional. I couldn't have been prouder to say these talented pupils are from St. John's. It is wonderful to see how the provision of singing and music in schools is continually improving, and I'm incredibly grateful to the parents for their unwavering support. Thank you to those parents for giving up your Sunday to come to support your children.

Morning drop-offs

I kindly ask that you say goodbye to your children before the bell rings at 8:55 am. It is important that all pupils are quietly lined up and facing their teacher at that time so we can ensure a smooth transition into the school day without missing any valuable learning time.

Additionally, I would appreciate it if you could keep noise levels to a minimum while the children are lining up. During playtimes, when the bell rings, pupils know to line up quietly without talking. Thank you so much for your support. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to speak with me.





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Key Dates

23rd Monday and 24th Tuesday Parents evening - Y1 to Y6 parents. The meetings will take place in your child's class.

Friday 27th September - Flu Vaccination (Reception to Y6)

I hope you have a lovely weekend and look forward to seeing you on Monday.

With warm regards,
Ms. H. Khan
Head of School

