



St John's Highbury Vale C of E Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week at St John's, we have carried out our end-of-term assessments as part of our ongoing commitment to supporting your child's learning journey. These formal assessments, conducted at the end of each term, play an important role in understanding what your child can do well and identifying areas where they may need additional support.

Summative assessments provide a valuable snapshot of your child's progress and achievements. They help us to:

- Identify strengths: We celebrate your child's successes and areas where they are excelling, helping to boost their confidence and motivation.
- Pinpoint areas for improvement: By identifying topics or skills that need further reinforcement, we can tailor our teaching to meet the needs of each child better.
- Track progress over time: These assessments allow us to monitor your child's development and ensure they are making the progress we expect.
- Inform future planning: The insights gained help teachers to plan lessons and interventions that are targeted and effective.
- Prepare for key milestones: Summative assessments help to build familiarity with formal test formats, which can be helpful as children progress through school.

We approach assessments at St John's with care and sensitivity, ensuring that they are conducted in a way that supports, rather than pressures, our pupils. We will send the report cards at the end of the term and hold parent meetings in January.

'Come celebrate with me'

This week, Reception, Year 1, and Year 2 hosted their 'Come Celebrate With Me' events. It was truly wonderful to see so many parents attending and making the sessions special for the children. We sincerely thank all parents and carers for helping to make the event such a success. Key Stage 2 are eagerly looking forward to their sessions next week!

LDBS Buildings Maintenance Scheme

This week you have received a letter from Frances Barr - Governor and Treasurer to the Governing body about The LDBS scheme to help the school to pay for most of the cost of external repairs or maintenance to the school's building. If you are able please make the suggested donation. There are a number of ways to do this:





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- Please put your gift (cash, or preferably a cheque made payable to **St John's School**) in the envelope, complete the label and return to the School Office.
- You could set up an annual or a monthly direct debit to the school, either online (*see below) or a standing order mandate can be obtained from the School Office.
- You could also make a donation through the School Gateway App. You can select the option 'LDBS Buildings Maintenance Scheme'
- Remember, if you are a taxpayer, you can **make your donation more valuable by giving through Gift Aid** by completing the enclosed Gift Aid form.

FOSJ

The Christmas fair is approaching and I believe we still need volunteers for the day. Please speak to Alice, Petuch, or Kerry.

Key Dates for next week.

Come Celebrate With Me (9 am to 9.45)

Year 4: Tuesday, 3rd December

Year 3: Wednesday, 4th December

Year 5: Thursday, 5th December

Year 6: Friday, 6th December

Chess tournament for selected children from Y5 and Y6.

Friday 6th December

FOSJ Christmas Fair

Sunday, 8th December 2 pm to 4pm

Choir singing in Christ Church.

Sunday 8th December

With warm regards,

Ms. H. Khan

Head of School

