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Friday, 17th January 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you had a wonderful week. It has been another busy and productive week here at St John's, with children actively engaged in their learning, working hard to develop new skills, and broadening their knowledge across a range of exciting topics. The energy and dedication shown by both staff and pupils continue to make our school a thriving and inspiring place to learn.

Thank you to all the parents who attended the parent meetings this week. If you were unable to attend, please contact your child's teacher to arrange an alternative date.

World Religion Day

Sunday, 19th January, marks **World Religion Day**, a global initiative that promotes understanding, tolerance, and respect among people of different faiths and beliefs. To honour this important occasion, our school will be holding a special assembly on Monday, 20th January.

World Religion Day encourages people of all backgrounds to reflect on the shared values of kindness, compassion, and unity that transcend individual religions. It is an opportunity to celebrate diversity and to educate children about the different faiths that make up our community and the wider world.

As part of this celebration, your child will receive a special piece of homework to complete over the weekend. This task is designed to inspire meaningful conversations at home. If you are someone of faith, we warmly encourage you to talk to your child about what your religion means to you, including any traditions, teachings, or practices that are particularly significant in your family.

During our assembly, we will welcome some parents from our school community to share their faith experiences with the children. These personal stories provide a powerful way for children to connect with and understand the values and beliefs that shape the lives of others.

We believe that this day will not only broaden the children's understanding of the world but also foster a sense of empathy, curiosity, and appreciation for the diverse community we are proud to be a part of.

ADHD workshop

Last week, I wrote to you about the ADHD workshop taking place at school. This workshop will be held on Friday at 9am in Maberly Hall, and all parents are welcome to attend. During the session, you will gain a deeper understanding of ADHD, and some parents will share their lived experiences. We would love to see as many of you there as possible.





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Parent skills audit

Next week, we will send out a questionnaire to better understand the valuable skills and expertise within our parent community. The purpose of this audit is to identify opportunities for collaboration and to harness these skills in ways that support the school and enhance the learning experience for our children. Rest assured, the information you provide will be kept strictly confidential and accessible only to me and the office staff. Participation in the questionnaire is entirely voluntary, and there is no obligation to complete it. However, we would greatly appreciate your input as it could make a meaningful difference to our school community.

Key dates for Next Week:

- Wednesday 22nd January 2025 - **Reception class** Reading Breakfast - **8.30 am - 9.00 am** (All Reception parents are welcome)
- Friday 24th January 2025 - Reception - Year 2 Fluoride Varnish programme (in school)
- Friday 24th parent ADHD workshop (Marbely Hall) - **9.15 am**

I hope you have a wonderful weekend.

With warm regards,

Ms. H. Khan

Head of School

