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## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents

It has been another busy week here at school. The children have been working incredibly well in all three classes. A special *Congratulations* must go to our wonderful Foxes who, this week, have been doing their Phonics "Quizzes" and without doubt have made incredible progress. Children were confidently recognising all the Phase 3 - Phase 5 sounds they have been learning. We are so proud of them. Thank you to all the parents who have been supporting their children's learning at home.

Thank you too to all the parents who have returned their Questionnaire. It is absolutely essential that we hear your feedback and then go on to respond to it. Responses were overwhelmingly positive and it is so encouraging that you feel so happy with all that is going on. However, there is always room for improvement! Several parents mentioned that they would like to see more of their children's work and to feel more informed about their progress. In response to this, from September, each class will have a "Stay & Share" after their Class Assembly in both the Autumn and Spring Terms. This will give parents an opportunity to see their child's work, not only at Parents' Evening, but also in this situation. And, of course, our Celebration Evening, to be held on Tuesday, 11 July, will also provide another opportunity for parents to catch up with what the children have been doing. We will ensure an email goes out each Friday, with a link, reminding you to check the website. Apart from the newsletter, remember each class has a page with all the news from that week, including what learning has been happening, and will be happening the following week. We will also ensure that we are explicit about all the ways you can support your child with their learning at home. As always, please do come and see me with any ideas or concerns you may have. Good communication really makes a happy school.

We are all set for our whole school trip on Monday. As a quick reminder, please can all children come to school in their school polo shirt, together with joggers and sensible footwear, and please remember to apply sun-cream. They will also need a packed lunch and a water bottle - no nuts, eggs or fizzy drinks please. We are all so looking forward to this adventure!

Finally, it was lovely to see so many of you at our wonderful Father's Day Assembly this morning - well done St John's children!

With best wishes for a lovely, warm weekend! Ginnie

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News items for this week:

<u>Keeping Safe Week</u> - please make a diary note of David Borrow's talk, taking place on Monday, 26 June, on E-safety for Parents, in the school hall at 7pm.

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<u>Bel & The Dragon</u>: we have been asked to forward this message and flyer from Bel & The Dragon:

We would really appreciate it if you could help us spread the word about our exciting new workshop that we are holding here at Bel and the Dragon, Churt. It will be a fun and messy workshop that you and the kids can enjoy, which will give you the chance to take your creation home. The workshop will take place every Tuesday in August between 10-11:30 am and only costs £5. All you need to do is either give us a ring or send us an email and you will be on your way to producing an absolute treat.





<u>Farnham Bike Ride, 2 July</u> - please see the attached flyer which we have been asked to forward to everyone.