

St John's C of E Infant School

Newsletter 9th January 2026



Latest News,

Happy New Year to everyone! Welcome 2026! It was lovely to see everyone back this week having had such fun.

We always take this opportunity to remind you when you are planning the year ahead and your holidays, that school attendance is mandatory. If you should be planning any term time absence, this should only be the case if there are exceptional circumstances, of which a family holiday is not an exceptional circumstance.

The weather has turned significantly colder so at this time of year our safety curriculum includes learning about frozen water safety. Please can we remind families of this too. Children and adults should never walk on frozen water. We have the beautiful Frensham ponds nearby but they are never safe to walk on even when they look frozen. We were slightly worried to hear that some families had done so just recently. Here is guidance recently shared by Surrey Fire and Rescue having been called to incidents already this year. [Frozen Water](#)

Good news, you still have the weekend to complete the Cinderella colouring competition sent home at Christmas for the CADS Panto. Deadline is 9 am Monday 12th January. (See Panto information below)



**Primary school
admissions are open
Apply by 15 January
2026**

Headteacher

We have been asked to remind everyone the deadline for school applications for reception or Year 3 is this week—Thursday 15th January 2026. Get them in as soon as possible.

Have a lovely weekend and stay safe whatever the weather!

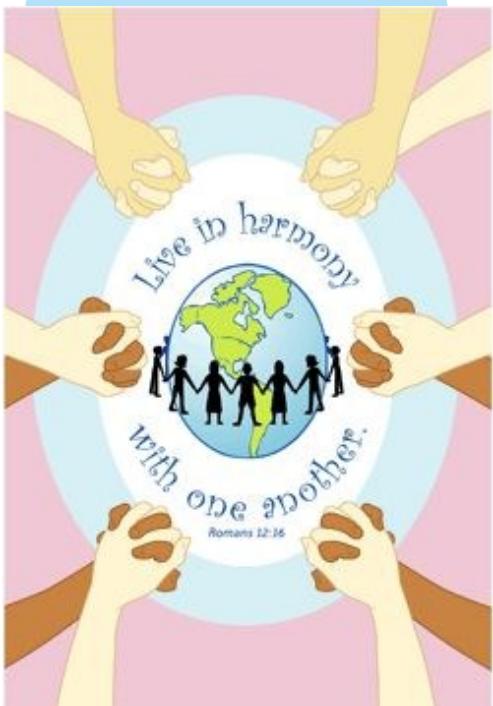
Mrs Stevens

2026	
13th Jan	—Boogiepumps restarts
19th Jan	—Drama workshop
5th Feb	—Hedgehog visit and talk
13th Feb	—End of term, 3pm HALF TERM
23rd Feb	—Start of term
5th Mar	—World Book Day
10th Mar	—Parent's Evening
12th Mar	—Parent's Evening
13th	—Mother's Day Assembly @ 2.30pm
25th Mar	—Easter Pause Day
27th Mar	—Church Service & Bonnet Parade @ 9am
27th Mar	—End of Term, 2pm

For these and other dates.



Values News



This term our focus is on Love and Compassion . We learned how Jesus helped his friends to make changes for the better. He gave Matthew an opportunity to change for the better, to turn over a new leaf. We discussed turning over a new leaf for a new year and what would we like to do this year even better than we have done before.

Have you made a resolution?
What would you turn over a new leaf about this year?

'Live in harmony with one another'

1 Peter 3:8

Celebrate Success

Recent star learners are:

Rabbit class star learner is Patrick

Fox class star learner is Harry

Badger class star learner is Oskar





PTA News

The school staff would like to send a big thank you to all parents for such kind words, cards and gifts you gave at Christmas.

We are all truly grateful it means so much.

You are so kind.

In January the PTA hibernates to rest and recuperate, and to give your wallets and our volunteers a rest!

During that time if anyone has any ideas that you would like to share on ways to invest, or fundraise, please let us know. Obviously, in this slightly unpredictable economy, it's good to have some reserves, but the future is looking bright so we'd love to hear some of your thoughts .

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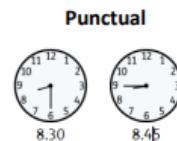
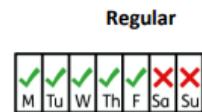


You can contact us via email

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School Attendance



Please remember how important school attendance is.

As the season begins to change and we all come together inside we do start to see germs spreading again. We still encourage good regular handwashing and use ventilation in classrooms to try to limit the spread.

You may find this NHS website page useful for information about school attendance.

Is my child too ill for school?

Please note if your child does have sickness or diarrhea then the child must remain home for 48 hours from the last episode. This helps to limit the spread of germs and saves others from the same experiences. We will send them home again if they return to school too soon.



Safeguarding

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If you are concerned about the safeguarding of a child at any time, please contact Surrey children's single point of access C-SPA on

0300 470 9100

For out of hours see our [website](#).

During school hours you can contact the school Safeguarding leads Mrs. Stevens or Mrs. Ireland **DSL@stjohnsfarnham.surrey.sch.uk** or telephone **01428 713216**

Headlice

Please keep checking your child's hair regularly so that we may reduce/remove the cases of headlice. Treating once is not enough, regular checks are necessary by everyone.



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Hello!

Welcome to Mindworks Surrey, the new emotional wellbeing and mental health service for children and young people in Surrey.



Our Community

CADS
presents
Cinderella*
the pantomime by Ben Crocker

Churt Village Hall
GU10 2JA

Fri 30 Jan 2026 - 7.30pm
Sat 31 Jan - 2.30 & 7.30pm
Sun 1 Feb - 2.30pm
Fri 6 Feb - 7.30pm
Sat 7 Feb - 2.30 & 7.30pm

Tickets:
Ticketsource.co.uk/cads
 Or scan QR code

Adults: £12.50 Family ticket: £35
Children & Concessions: £8



Our Community

We are still looking for a Crossing Patrol Officer who could support the children safely across Barford Lane in the morning and afternoon.

Surrey County Council

would accept a job share for this position. For more details [Click here](#)



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