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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents

This week has seen the start of tennis and Forest School for Fox and Badger Classes, along with our after school clubs including football, cookery and art. I hope your children have enjoyed the experiences and are looking forward to more fun next week.

Helpers needed!

As many of you know, our school does not have a school caretaker and from time to time we request help from our school community to sort out a few things. If any parents and friends would be able to help sweep our school grounds next week during or after the end of the school day in preparation for our Open Morning on Tuesday, 2 October, I would be very grateful. If you are able to help, please can you contact the office to confirm when you can come into school? Please bring along your own brooms, shovels, etc, but rubbish bags and sacks can be provided.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

The children of Badger Class have been very busy this week making invitations for the Macmillan Coffee Morning that they are organising on Wednesday, 26 September between 9.30am and 11.00am. Please come along and support the children to raise some money for a very important cause and, to that end, please see the special invitation, below, from Badger Class:

Dear Mums and Dads

Please can you help us to make lots of scrummy cakes for our coffee morning next Wednesday? If you are able to bake some cakes, please can you bring them to school on Tuesday after pick-up or Wednesday morning and leave them in the school hall? Thank you for helping us. We are really excited to be able to raise some money to help people who are poorly and need lots of support.

Love from Badger Class

We really look forward to seeing you there!

Harvest Service

We are looking forward to our Harvest Service in church on Wednesday, 3 October at 9.00am. You are all invited to come along. For those parents who are new to our school and not familiar with our school organisation, we kindly ask parents to bring their children to the church between 8.30am and 8.45am. The Harvest Service will start at 9.00am and usually lasts for approximately three-quarters of an hour. We also ask parents to bring their children back to school after the Service. If you are unable to do this, please can you arrange for someone to bring your child safely back to school and let the school know who that person will be.

This year we will again be supporting our local church's chosen charity, The Whitechapel Mission. The children are invited to bring a non-perishable item with them on the day and will

be able to carry it into church with their class as the Service starts. There will be a letter coming out on Monday with further information. Thank you for your donations in advance.

Reading

As the start of term is well underway, a copy of our Reading Policy is being emailed to you today. This explains the practices and procedures in each class. If you have any questions regarding your child's reading, please call and see the class teacher or myself.

Mrs Kettle

Sadly Mrs Kettle has decided not to return to St John's after her maternity leave comes to an end next year. Mrs Kettle is very busy looking after her twins and young daughter and we wish her well for her future with her husband and young family.

Mrs Kibbler

As you know from the email sent earlier this week, Mrs Kibbler will be leaving St John's at the end of this term. Her husband has been relocated with his work to a different part of the country and she will be joining him once she has worked her period of notice. Mrs Kibbler has worked hard for our school and she will be greatly missed. I am sure you will join me in wishing the very best for her and her husband as they move for him to take up his new post. In the meantime, I am now in a position to advertise for a full-time replacement for when Mrs Kibbler leaves at Christmas.

If you have any queries at any time, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Best wishes
Gillian Morris

Dates Box:

Mon, 24 Sept	2.30pm	PTA meeting: "How can you help?" - school hall - all welcome
REVISED DATE		
Wed, 26 Sept	9.30 - 11.00am	Macmillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning
Mon, 1 Oct	2.30pm	Volunteer Helpers meeting - school hall - all welcome
Tues, 2 Oct	9.30 - 11.30am	Open Day
Wed, 3 Oct	9.00am 7.00pm	Harvest Festival Service Parents' Forum Evening - further details to follow
Thurs, 4 Oct	2.15pm	Literacy Meeting for Yr R parents - school hall
Tues, 9 Oct	3.30 - 6.00pm	Parents' Evening - further details to follow
Wed, 10 Oct	1.30 - 2.30pm	Open Day
Thurs, 11 Oct	4.30 - 7.00pm	Parents' Evening - further details to follow
Fri, 12 Oct	evening	PTA Quiz & Curry Night - further details to follow
Wed, 17 Oct	9.30 - 11.30am	Open Day
Fri, 19 Oct	Nasal flu immunisation day - further details to follow End of half-term - school finishes at normal time of 3.00pm	
Mon, 29 Oct	First day of 2nd $\frac{1}{2}$ Autumn Term	
Tues, 30 Oct	1.30 - 2.30pm	Open Day