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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents

This week has been a real week of celebrations here at St John's!

We were absolutely delighted to see so many of you at our Celebration Evening on Tuesday. We all felt so proud of the children showcasing their talents in singing and drama. For me the evening was an example of real learning where children worked together writing their own scripts, and then performing these to parents so beautifully. They costed and bought ingredients and made food to sell and raise money for the NSPCC, and it was a great opportunity to see all the learning they had been involved in over the term with little exhibitions in each classroom. What a super evening!

We are also celebrating the arrival of the "white dotted" lines across the entrances to the Honda Garage in the village. I have been working hard with Surrey Highways to make our local environment safer for our children. This is just a first step!

Many of you will have also noticed that our super-colourful hog, Hamlet, has returned to school and is looking down on all of us from the flat roof - do take a look at the Gallery.

We had Governors' Day today where our governors were in school all day, working on our vision and strategic direction and ensuring all children know who they are and what their role is. We are incredibly lucky to have such hands-on, enthusiastic and forward-looking governors. It is wonderful to see the whole school community working so cohesively for the good of our children.

Finally I am delighted to announce we will have our wrap-around care in place for next academic year. This will be known as the Hedgehog Club. Next week we will send out further information and forms for you to complete.

Wishing you all a very happy weekend.
Ginnie

Dates Box:

Wed, 19 July	pm	End of year class parties - children to come to school dressed in suitable party clothes
Fri, 21 July	9.00am	Leavers' Service at the church
	2.00pm	School closes for the Summer holiday
Mon, 4 Sept		INSET DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
Tues, 5 Sept		INSET DAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
Wed, 6 Sept		First day of Autumn Term
Wed, 13 Sept	2.30pm	Volunteer Helpers meeting - school hall
Tues, 26 Sept		Open Day for prospective parents
Fri, 6 Oct	evening	PTA Quiz & Curry Night

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News items for this week:

Item for sale: the large, French dresser which is presently located just inside the children's entrance needs to find a new home! If anyone is interested in offering a donation for the dresser, please let us know! Please be aware though, that with the building works taking place over the summer holidays, we would need to ask you to collect it by next Friday. Thanks so much!

Fundraising: Please see the following message from Lisa Hart, Chair of Governors:

Thank you to those of you who chose an item of furniture to purchase for our new library on Celebration Evening. Don't worry if you missed this - there will be a chance to choose an item at drop-off all next week. Thank you so much for your help with this - together we are creating an amazing space for our children.

NSPCC donations: following on from the final visit this term by the NSPCC during this morning's Celebration Assembly, we are very pleased to let you know that St John's raised £350.71. This is an amazing total - thank you all so much!

PTA: and finally, another amazing announcement! We are very pleased to announce that nearly £8,000 has been raised this year by the PTA and all their amazing hard work and fundraising efforts. Thank you to everyone for your continued support and generosity!