

NEWSLETTER



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Term 4: Week 3 and 4

6th March – 17th March 2023

Rainbow Award Winners

Week 3

Reception – Melina

Year 1 – Oliver

Year 2 – Sadie

Year 3 – Felicity

Year 4 – Bertie

Year 5 – Priya

Year 6 – Kai

Week 4

Reception – Henry

Year 1 – Grace

Year 2 – Niamh

Year 3 – Tilly

Year 4 – Hermione

Year 5 – Zak

Year 6 – Sasha



School Calendar Dates

Friday 17th March – Red Nose Day: wear red mufti

Friday 24th March – iSingPop Concert

Friday 31st March - Last Day of Term 4

Monday 17th April - First Day of Term 5

Monday 24th April – INSET DAY

Friday 5th May – School Discos

Saturday 17th June – *The Friends* Family Trek (School Field)

Saturday 15th July – Summer Fayre

Friday 21st July - INSET Day

House points:

Week 3 TOPAZ

Week 4 AMBER

This term (so far): **Jade 318 Ruby 324 Topaz 348 Amber 364**

Celebration Assembly

Celebration assembly today was a very bright affair! Miss Barfield felt like she was back home in Liverpool!

We shared some brilliant jokes, like: "What underwear do clouds wear? Thunderwear!"

"What did the starfish say to the swordfish? You're looking sharp!"

A bear went to McDonalds: Bear: "Can I please have 9 chicken nuggets, a medium fries and

.....umm.....a medium diet coke?" Cashier: "Why the big pause?" Bear: "I don't know, I was just born with them."

More jokes will be shared in classes throughout the day. Thank you to everyone for donating towards Comic Relief!

Well done to all the children who Spanish, art, Mathematics, Lexia, Times Tables and Number Club awards today, and to the ten children in Year 1 who were super readers this week!

Rainbow Awards went to Quinn, Grace, Niahm, Tilly, Hermoine, Zak and Sasha!

For the first time ever, the caring for our community award went to Cara, Freddie and Ruby, who went litter picking!

Well done also to Amber, Athena and Libby for music, swimming and trampolining achievements outside of school!



School News

Red Nose Day

Friday 17th March was Comic Relief Red Nose Day.

We asked children to wear something red and bring in a £1 cash donation to Comic Relief.

As it is comic relief, we invited the children to bring in a joke to share with their class during show and tell or circle time. There were lots of laughs all day.

Forest School

Here are the Forest School dates for this term:

Week 1 - Tuesday 21st Reception

Week 2 - Tuesday 28th Year 1 (Parent Event from 2:45 - please wear wellies and dress warmly)

Week 3 - Monday 6th Year 5, Tuesday 7th Year 2 and Wednesday 8th Year 1

Week 4 - Tuesday 14th Year 3

Week 5 - Monday 20th Year 5, Tuesday 21st Year 4 and Wednesday 22nd Year 1

Week 6 - Tuesday 28th Year 6

Please contact your child's class teacher if you are able to support with a session. Ideally, we need 2 parent helpers for every Forest School session.

Clubs

This term we have a new Art Club starting with Miss Taylor on Mondays which will be open to Years 3 / 4. Boards Games Club and Earth Trek will not be continuing.



Netball Club for years 3, 4, 5 and 6 has also started on Fridays. It is filling up fast. To check availability and book please follow the link <https://family.premier-education.com/add-course/82011>

Scholastic Book Fair

You are all amazing! Miss Barfield has been busy totting up the totals of the Scholastic Book Fair and thanks to YOU, we had sales of.....**£1,064.08**. WOW! WOW! WOW! Because we broke the £1,000 mark, our usual 40% commission is increased to 60%. This means we have **£638.45** to spend on lovely books for our lovely library. These books are always stickered with 'Bought with commission from the Scholastic Book Fair' so you can see the fruits of your much-appreciated labours.



Miss Barfield wants to share how happy and incredibly grateful she is you all for supporting the book fair, especially in these difficult financial times, for your support and generosity. Thank you so much!

Author Visit

On **Tuesday 25th April**, **Jacqueline Wilson** will visit school to deliver an assembly and be interviewed by some Y6s.

Jacqueline Wilson has written over 100 books for children which most often feature realistic topics such as adoption and divorce. She has received many awards, been appointed an OBE and DBE, has served as the Children's Laureate and serves as a patron of many charities, including the East Sussex Foster Care Association (ESFCA). Many of Jacqueline's books have been dramatised and adapted for TV, including the well-known stories of Tracy Beaker.



We've been able to arrange this through Mrs Beesley (parent/carer governor), who knows Jacqueline Wilson through her work for the ESFCA - thank you!

Jacqueline will not bring any books to sell but children are welcome to bring books for her to sign if they would like. We will also organise a bake sale to raise funds for the ESFCA.

It is very exciting to be able to welcome such a renowned author to our school!

Friends News



QUIZ and Curry NIGHT
27TH APRIL 2023 @ THE SHIP INN, MEADS

DOORS OPEN 7PM
FOOD @ 7.30PM SHARP

£15
PER PERSON
INCLUDES:
CHOICE OF CURRY & QUIZ ENTRY

GO FOR GOLD!
To celebrate the Coronation, come with your finest gold.. nails, clothes, hair, crowns and accessories!

6-8 PEOPLE PER TEAM

To book your place, please visit:
www.pta-events.co.uk/stjohnsmeadsfmsa

BOOKINGS WILL CLOSE ON THE 25TH APRIL

FRIENDS
All funds raised go towards facilities for St. John's Meads School, to advance the education of its pupils. Reg. charity Number: 1106227

The Quiz has returned!

Join us for Quiz and curry night at the Ship Inn on 27th April. Doors open at 7pm. To book your place please visit www.pta-events.co.uk/stjohnsmeadsfmsa

We are also very pleased to announce we will be running school discos later this year on Friday 5th May. More details will be available very soon.



Wanted: Football boots

If you have any football boots at home that your children have grown out of, we would love to have them! These will be offered to children taking part in the after school football clubs who need them. When they are no longer taking part in football or have finished with them, they can be returned for another child to use.



Wearing trainers for these clubs is fine. However, in the muddy conditions football boots are really useful.

Mrs Grout will leave a donation box by the Reception Class gate at drop off and collection times.

School lunches

Just a reminder that we require ALL school lunches to be BOOKED IN ADVANCE - this includes KS1 children despite the meals being free.

Time is being spent doing this for the children in the registration period each morning which can hold up classes going to assembly.

Going forward if children are not booked in for a lunch IN ADVANCE we shall be calling home each day.

If you need any help accessing ParentPay - Please do contact the office and we can help with that.

Easter Fun



St. John's Church, Meads

Messy Easter

Free Family Fun

Friday 7th April
10 – 11.30am

More Info?
kidswork@stjm.org.uk Tel. 01323738671

Craft ~ Games ~ Story ~ Song ~ Food



Holiday food and fun!

FREE for families receiving benefits-related free school meals.

Premier Education Easter HAF Programme

Multi-Sport

A funded 4-day enrichment Programme of Sports and Physical Activities for all abilities and interests during the Easter Holidays including a nutritious lunch for families receiving free school meals.

You can book any week, and these are fully funded.

Our Activity Professionals have been undergoing additional training to provide the best care to the children under their supervision, specifically the Transcend Level 2 Award in Infection Prevention, Mitigation and Management

Activities

Archery, Dodgeball, Cricket, Football, Fencing, Gymnastics, Hockey, Nerf Wars, Arts and Crafts, Tennis, Nutritional Education, Health, and Wellbeing Quizzes

Ocklynge Junior School, Victoria Dr, Eastbourne BN20 8XN

Mon April 3rd - Thursday 6th April - <https://eequ.org/experience/1792>

During the School Holidays at Easter, our Holiday Food and Fun clubs will be serving up a menu of activities and food for children and young people aged 5-12

