

NEWSLETTER



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Term 2: Week 1

30th October – 3rd November 2023

Rainbow Award Winners

Year 1 – Isla

Year 2 – Lily

Year 3 – Charlie

Year 4 – Felicity

Year 5 – Olive

Year 6 – Mason



Celebration Assembly

What a lot of achievements! There were lots and lots of Mathletics, Lexia and number club certificates handed out this week, which shows that learning continued even though we had half-term break! Amazing!

School Calendar Dates

Friday 3rd November – FRIENDS AGM – 9.10am

Friday 17th November – Children In Need – Spotty Mufti Day

Thursday 23rd November – Flu Vaccination

Saturday 25th November - Christmas Fayre – 12.30pm- 3pm

Thursday 14th December – Pantomime

Friday 15th December – Last Day of Term 2

Tuesday 2nd January 2024 – First Day Back – Term 3

Monday 22nd January – INSET DAY

Friday 9th Last Day of Term 3

Monday 19th February – First day back – Term 4

Monday 4th March – INSET DAY

Thursday 28th March – Last Day of Term 4

Monday 15th April – First day back – Term 5

Friday 24th May – Last Day of Term 5

Monday 3rd June – First day back – Term 6

Tuesday 23rd July – Last day of Term 6



Well done to Penelope-Jayne, Ted and Olivia for being fantastic linguists and to Athos, Anne and Gracie for being fantastic artists! We celebrated the achievements of the Coding Club, Emily's swimming and Eleni's keyboard! Well done to everyone!



Royal British Legion – Poppy Appeal

Ahead of Remembrance day on the 11th November we have lots of items available for the children to purchase from the school office to help raise money for The British Legion.

We have rulers, wristbands, button clips, clip ons and also the traditional poppies available and we ask that children bring in a **minimum donation of £1 per item should they wish to buy something.**

Children can either bring their money into class and the teacher will find an appropriate time for them to come to the office to choose what they want or you can bring them to the office window before and after school.



After School Club Spaces



We still have spaces in the Skiltek Netball sessions after school for Years 3,4,5&6 on Fridays.
Please see the following link if you would like to book.

[St John's Mead CE Primary School- Term 2 \(Fri 3rd Nov 2023 - Fri 8th Dec 2023\) | Skiltek Sport | Powered by ClassForKids](#)

Costumes/dressing up clothes needed!!



The School Council have been asking their classes for ways we can make playtime even better. They have asked for more costumes/dressing up clothes for their games.



We are asking families to donate any dressing up clothes you have at home that you no longer want/have grown out of.

Please send them in to school washed and ready to go!

Friends News

Fireworks at St Andrews - 10 November

We are thrilled to have partnered with our neighbours St Andrews Prep School for their fireworks night on Friday 10 November. Open to all, tickets also include a hot dog/burger and soft drink. Book your place using the link below. Please select St John's as your school and we will get a donation for every ticket sold.
<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/fosa/index.cfm?event=shop>

Christmas card deadline - 18 November

For those of you who sent your child's completed Christmas card back to school last month, you should have received a text from Xmas4Schools about how to order your cards online. They have now extended the order deadline until **18 November** so there's still time to get your cards. You can also order your child's design on a mug, tea towel, calendar or gift tags. Perfect for presents!

Christmas Fayre - 25 November

We can't quite believe it, but the Christmas Fayre is in just 3 weeks, and we need your help!

Have you a budding performer at home eager to share their talent? If your child can sing, dance, or play an instrument, we'd love to invite them to perform at the Fayre. Please nominate your child by contacting your class rep.

We are also looking for local businesses to donate raffle prizes, offer sponsorship, or hire a market stall at the Fayre. If you know anyone who might be interested in promoting their business in this way, please email secretary@stjohnsmeadsfmsa.org.uk

Thanks so much for all your support,

The Friends of St John's Meads

ST JOHN'S MEADS SCHOOL ROWSLEY ROAD, EASTBOURNE

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RAFFLES, MULLED WINE, FOOD, **MARKET STALLS**,
SANTA'S GROTTO & LIVE ENTERTAINMENT



CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Saturday 25th November
12.30 - 15.30PM

Raising Money
for SJM School
Charity#
1106227

Entry:
Adults £1
Children
FREE


FRIENDS

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St. John's Meads

Church of England Primary School

Open Events

We are a friendly and caring one-form entry school for children aged 4-11 years, with a strong community feel and an active and supportive parent body.

Our pupils enjoy regular Forest School sessions with qualified in-house staff, specialist provision for Music, Spanish and Art, and a wide range of after school clubs. Our dedicated and experienced staff create a nurturing environment that enables every child to reach their full potential, and we celebrate the achievements of all our pupils.

*Come and join us
for a tour and more!*

Wednesday 8th November • 9am - 10am

Thursday 9th November • 2pm - 3pm

Thursday 9th November • 6pm - 7pm



Please contact the school office to book your place.
Tel: 01323 730255 • Email: office@sjm.academy
26 Rowsley Road, Eastbourne, East Sussex, BN20 7XS

Ruby Robin Award



A FREE winter challenge for children
age 5-11 to help songbirds

1

CRAFT

Crafty DIY projects to give
songbirds a boost!

2

LEARN

Discover fascinating facts about
your favourite birds

3

BIRD SPOT

Step outside and start
jotting down the feathered
friends you spot

4

FUN

Spread the bird-loving vibes

Win a Ruby
certificate and
pin badge



Sign up



www.songbird-survival.org.uk



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TouchBase
Supporting those impacted by relational trauma & loss ... Learning security

Introducing TouchBase: A Therapy Practice Dedicated to Trauma Recovery.

At TouchBase, our primary focus is on helping individuals recover from traumatic experiences. While our main clientele consists of children and young adults aged 5 to 25, we also offer therapy to adults seeking support. Our team of skilled and experienced therapists is fully equipped to provide the help you need. We have recently increased our capacity so have space for new clients now, so don't hesitate to reach out to us.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Please email info@touchbase.org.uk for more information

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Parents in Mind

Are you pregnant or a new mum and feeling low, anxious, alone?

Talk & support, parent to parent

'The volunteer makes me feel normal. She listens like it's okay.'

'Everyone there has been through similar things - it feels like a family.'

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For more information text/call Ruby on: 07731 994 579 or email: parentsinmind.es@nct.org.uk

Registered charity in England and Wales: 801395 and Scotland: SC041592

Parents in Mind, East Sussex are also offering the Anna Freud Reflective Parenting Programme. This is an amazing six-week course delivered online, to stimulate a stronger parent-infant bond.

Contact us for more information

Parents in Mind

Caring for a new baby and feel low, worried, alone?

Talk and support from men, for men

'I was made to feel really comfortable. Nothing was a problem; it was just "talk to us about it!"'

'The 1:1 support really helped my confidence - as a parent and in myself.'

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For more information text/call James on: 07732 690818 or email: parentsinmind.es@nct.org.uk

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© Image from *Wednesday* the Netflix series. Eastbourne Fencing Club looks like a school gym...

LEARN TO FENCE

Attacks, feints, parries, remises, *prises de fer* and all the tactics, learn them all in a five week course.

After week five, you will be ready to fence *épée* in the Eastbourne Fencing Club and challenge anyone there.

We will provide the fencing gear, just wear clothes to run around in and bring a water bottle.

Coach: Will Miller (Level 3, three times World Veteran Championships fencer, bronze at the 2023 Leon Paul Summer Open)

Address: St Cathrine's College gym, BN23 7BL

Cost: £60

Date: 30 Oct 2023

More info about Eastbourne Fencing Club: <http://www.eastbournefencing.org/>

Ages: 8-16 (classes for adults will be held in the new year).

Enquiries: eastbournefencing@gmail.com

Please provide pupil name, height, waist size, age, and whether left- or right-handed, and anything else we should be aware of. Class size will be limited to 10.