# **NEWSLETTER**



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Term 6 Week 5

1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> July 2024

#### **Rainbow Award Winners**

**Reception – Damir** 

- Year 1 Kinayda
- Year 2 Olivia
- Year 3 Navya
- Year 4 Henry
- Year 5 Eleni
- Year 6 Gracie



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#### Whole School Reminder: NO NUTS are to be brought in to school. Thank you.

School Calendar Dates				
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July – Rainbow Day				
Monday July 8 <sup>th</sup> - INSET DAY				
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July – School Reports				
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July – Stay & Play				
Tuesday 16th July - Meet the Teacher to Discuss Reports				
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July – Awards Ceremony				
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July – Year 6 Leavers Service at All Saints Church				
Tuesday 23rd July - Last day of Term 6				

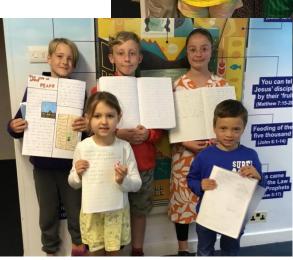
### INSET DAY MONDAY We will see you Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July!

#### **Celebration Assembly**

Congratulations to this week's Rainbow Award winners!

We also celebrated Lexia and Mathletics certificates and some wonderful handwriting.





#### **Out of School Achievements**



Oliver M swam 1KM in an Open Water event, in a lake where he couldn't touch the bottom, and came 1<sup>st</sup>! Rory played some great football in a National football competition in Southampton. Eric took part in an England youth fencing championship last weekend and did a great job. Oliver R got an award at beavers, and Emiko received a Scout of the Year award... Well done all!





### Thank you for all your Rainbow Donations!



Everyone looked fabulous in their bright outfits, and they all made a colourful sight in assembly.

There's still plenty of time to get your raffle tickets in. Please drop them to the office any day next week.

#### This week at St John's Meads

Dear Parent and Carers,

It has been a great week for the children inside and outside the classroom.

**New reception class** - It all began on Monday with the Teddy Bear's picnic, held on the field for our new children in Reception. They thoroughly enjoyed this experience and are super keen to join us.

**Reception class -** The current reception class were off for their trip this week to Blackberry farm and there was much excitement. The adults were really pleased with them. They interacted with the animals with much care and used their manners with the adults. The highlight it seems was the tractor ride. Thank you to the Reception team for making this possible.

I was also particularly impressed with them on a recent visit to their class, they were looking at self-portraits they had done at the start of the year and comparing



them to the ones they had done more recently. They are making good progress and learning so many other skills along the way. There was also a remarkable act of kindness by a child, and he was awarded a very special Rainbow certificate after Sports day. He had seen another child upset because he did not have a medal, so he gave him one of his own. Isn't that the loveliest thing!

**Year 1 - trip to Friston Forest-** Thank you to the Year 1 team for leading the Year 1 trip. The children had an exciting time and thoroughly enjoyed the den-building activity.



**Year 6 Taster days-** Our Year 6 students have done well in their Taster days at secondary and while there was some nervousness, they took it in their stride. We have had amazing feedback, and we are so very proud of them. It is not easy - taking these big steps into the unknown but they have done it, and we could not be prouder. When asked what they enjoyed the most- it was all about the food!

**Moving up morning** was a success this week and the children have met their new teachers. Again- the children demonstrated all we expected. Their teachers left totally enamoured by the children and the warm welcome they received. The other classes got to spend time with their new teachers and have an experience of their new space. **DCAT Enriched -** 20 Year 5 students took to the stage and sang their hearts out. We are so very proud of them for their outstanding effort as they were awarded the Best Interpretation award for their rendition of the Bugsy Malone song - A massive thank you to Mrs Ellie White for working with the children to get ready for this annual event.



Here is the most recent version of the additional adults that will be supporting in classes next year. This is of course the plan, but it is subject to change. In the weeks ahead we will be spending time handing over as part of an effective transition for the children.

YR	Teacher	TA	INA
R	Mrs Chloe Satchell and Mrs Rowena Pillar	Mrs Chrissy Grout	
1	Mr Jamie Barber	Miss Katie Vile	
2	Miss Annie Dixon	Mrs Vanessa Gallini	Mrs Stephanie Neill
3	Miss Sam Blakeborough	Mrs Liz Avery	Miss Katie Vile
4	Ms Jo Barfield	Mrs Brenda Riddle	Miss Clare Shave
5	Mrs Katie Sanders	Mrs Melanie Onuzi	
6	Mrs Kate Foster and Mrs Ellie White	Mrs Louisa Capon	Miss Jade Miller

#### In case you missed this...

Mark Talbot (CEO of DCAT) announced that the plan is for me to stay on to provide the support that is needed at St John's Meads till April 2025. For me that is great, and I hope this news is well received by you.

I will be here to continue the work and join in the success as we go from strength to strength. Your prayers, feedback, encouragement, and kindness have buoyed my spirits and I thank you for that. I truly feel appreciated by so many children, staff and parents and that is a lovely feeling.

"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them." —John F. Kennedy

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#### Messages from the Friends



**Rainbow Raffle** 

#### Win a hamper full of goodies – tickets out now

Thank you so much for all your donations today that will form our Rainbow Raffle Hampers. Raffle tickets have been sent home this week - if you didn't get them, or need more, please let the office know. Drop your completed tickets and cash into the office next week, by 9am Friday. The prize draw will take place at 4pm on Friday 12 July at the Stay&Play event on the school field.

## Stay&Play

### Fun and refreshments from 3.15pm next Friday!

We'd love you to join us on the school field next Friday for our Stay&Play event.

There'll be football, giant games, craft table, plus plenty of refreshments: Italian gelato and pizza slices from Gianni's restaurant, hotdogs, home made cakes and soft drinks.



You're very welcome to bring with you a picnic and a rug/camping chairs. If you can help volunteer during the afternoon, even for just 20 minutes, please let your class rep know.

# **Cake donations needed for next Friday**

We would be hugely grateful for donations of tasty treats for us to sell at our Stay&Play cake stall. Cakes or cookies, donuts or flapjacks, home made or bought, please bring your items (nut free) to the school office during morning drop off on Friday 12 July. Don't forget to name any cake stands/boxes!

# We'd love to hear from you

If you have any fundraising ideas that you'd like to share with us, perhaps you'd like to offer to volunteer at one of our events, or if you simply have a question, please do get in touch on <u>chair@stjohnsmeadsfmsa.org.uk</u>. We really would love to hear from you.

Have a great weekend,

The Friends of St. John's Meads

#### FRIENDS OF ST JOHN'S MEADS PRESENTS

ON

AFTER SCHOOL FUN: Giant games, Football, Craft table, Gelato stall, Refreshments & Raffle

All children to be supervised by parents/carers All proceeds will go towards fundraising for St John's Meads CE Primary School. Registered charity. 1106227



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# FRIDAY 2 JULY

315 - 530PM

#### Local Holiday Clubs, Events and Offers











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#### All Saints' Church Youth Team invite you to join us at our...



Please follow this link for more information and to sign up. Looking forward to seeing you there! Annelie and Julian https://allsaintseb.churchsuite.com/events/w8umysre Here's your free copy of the UK's largest parenting title - Enjoy!

https://familyfirst.co.uk/issue3-24

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#### Summer Football Camp

Mon 29th July - Thurs 1st Aug

#### 9.30am - 12.30pm

@ Uni of Brighton, Denton Road, Eastbourne Superb astro pitches & sports hall Year 1 - Year 9 (inclusive)



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