

St John's Primary School



This term our values will be **kindness** and **responsibility**.

PE days: Monday and Friday

Parents' evening: Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th October

Harvest Service at St. John's Church: Friday 24th October 10am (families welcome)

Half term (school closed): Monday 27th – Friday 31st October

INSET DAYS (school closed): Monday 3rd and Tuesday 4th November

Flu Immunisation: Wednesday 8th October

Individual and siblings photos: Wednesday 12th November

Christmas Lunch: Wednesday 17th December

Open afternoon (from 3pm): Tuesday 9th December, parents welcome to come in and look at children's work

Christmas parties: Thursday 18th December

Christmas Service (10am) and end of Autumn term (pick up at 2pm): Friday 19th December

Milestone 1 (Year 2) Autumn Term 2025



Key learning (Autumn 1)

This half term we will be focusing on the Three Little Pig's fairytale, looking at wheel and axles on transport and comparing St Johns with Japan.

As **readers** we will:

- Read *Amazing Grace* by Mary Hoffman and *The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark* by Jill Thomlinson to continue to practise our reading fluency and skills: vocabulary, inference, prediction, explain, retrieval and summarise.

As **writers** we will write:

- Narrative traditional tales
- Instruction texts (non-fiction)
- Non – chronological reports

As **geographers** we will learn:

- What physical and human features are
- Locating Japan
- What St Johns is like and how we can tell from a map (fieldwork and enquiry)
- What the difference is between the human and physical features of Japan and Woking.

As **historians** we will:

- Understand what happened on the 5th November
- Understand who was involved in the Gunpowder Plot
- Know why the Gunpowder Plot happened
- Know why we celebrate Remembrance Day

Key Learning (Autumn 2)

This half term we will be focusing on the beauty of flowers, the Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark and Historical events such as Remembrance Day and the Gunpowder Plot.

As **scientists** we will learn:

- Observe how plants grow
- Plan what seeds we can grow
- About parts of the plant
- About how plants form from seed
- Living things and their habitats

As **mathematicians** we will learn:

- Place value (numbers to 100)
- Addition and subtraction
- Measurement: Money
- Multiplication and division

We will also learn **Art** (the beauty of flowers and sculpture), **DT** (wheel and axles), **RE** (Christianity: What is God like? Why is giving so important), **PSHE**, **Music**, **Computing** (Esafety part 1, coding) and **PE**.

How you can help at home:

- Make sure your child reads aloud to you daily and that you record it in their reading record (5 times a week).
- Make sure your child is getting good night's sleep.
- Use 1 minute maths app for free to practice maths.
- Use workbooks on Whiterose maths parents section to practice maths concepts.
- Ensure earrings are out and hair is tied up on PE days.
- Label children's clothes.
- Send reading records in every day.