

#### St John's School Weekly Newsletter



The leaves are beginning to turn, and a keen wind whistles through our trees. Autumn is surely here, though the weather was glorious for the Moor Park fun run on Sunday. St John's participation was superb, second to another school only by the narrowest of margins.

This week we have continued to celebrate the multitude of connections that make St John's the vibrant school it is. We wished our Jewish boys 'Shana Tovah' as part of Rosh Hashanah celebrations, and welcomed in 'Place2 Be', our charity for the year, on Monday. At the end of the week, parents gathered for tea, cakes and a surprise auction in support of Macmillan Nurses.

Pre-Prep boys are well-settled and developing each day, as the lovely photos show. Music, competitive rugby fixtures and exciting co-curricular activities contribute to boys' learning and character development. The chance for our budding astronomers (and their families) to connect to our universe and see Jupiter in all its glory on Thursday evening has also been a highlight. I hope you enjoy The Lamb, this week.

Jenki







## Charity Place2Be helping us express ourselves

We have decided to continue to support Place2Be this year, a charity which forms part of the Lord Mayor's Appeal. We welcomed Mr Matt Charlton from Place2Be to our assembly this week. He thanked us for the money we raised last year and told us we had raised enough to fund lunchtime counselling sessions to help two hundred and fifty children. Mr Charlton encouraged us to find creative ways to share our feelings, thoughts and ideas, through art, writing, music and dance and doing things that make us feel good. He said, "One way of caring for our mental health is to notice and share how we are feeling. Expressing ourselves in creative ways can help us do this."





Expressing ourselves at St John's







### An invitation to attend the Lord Mayor's Show

**The Lord Mayor's** Show is scheduled to take place on Saturday 12th November. This is a particularly special event as the new Lord Mayor is a member of the Merchant Taylors' Company and the flag for the entire show was designed by Hugo in Year 5.

One of our Year 5 boys will be opening the show by carrying a Beacon along Princes Street and handing it to the

Lord Mayor himself. He will then travel in the City's golden state coach to the Royals Courts of Justice to swear allegiance to the King.

A procession of floats and marching bands will accompany him. Some of our senior musicians will be performing on one of the floats. It promises to be a spectacular occasion so please come and enjoy the day with the St John's community.











## St John's annual astronomy evening













The feet felt cold and weren't feeling bold But she came out enticing us with the cake and a hot tea to hold.

The boys with their green buckets in the car park jingling with change

An invitation to be generous and support the chosen charity no matter what your age

It was oh so tempting as we poured to Norman Hall all chatty Delighted at the home-made cakes and goodies as we thawed There was a feeling of community as we gathered in groups Laughter, meaning and a feeling of doing good

The auction from Mr Jenkin was certainly the icing on the cake A trick he had up his sleeve without the sugar and flour needed to bake

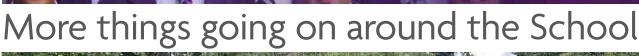
Thank you dear parents and St John's families for supporting us today

For Macmillan Cancer Charity we together made a contribution to be proud of we say.

A grateful Pre-Prep parent











George shows off his own home-made version of Match Attacks which he has called 'Sea Attacks'.



The Juniors have been learning about signalling



Rock, paper scissors? No, Year 3 Mathematics

# EK





St John's Old Boy Zain came to watch his brother play rugby



Year 8 have been painting food art



Fabulous cakes and bakes for Macmillan







#### Nursery have been enjoying the forest









#### The Owls have "connected" with Mr Russo



#### Dancing bones in the Otters





The leg bone's connected to the knee bone!







## Year 3 and 4 enjoyed Buddy Time

Every Year 3 boy is paired up with a Year 4 boy so that he has an older friend in the Juniors





# MUSIC



## Tuesday's teatime recital was awesome











## Year 8 Art looks good enough to eat



The boys have been making Mrs Reeves' mouth water with some delicious paintings of cake, sweets and ice-cream. Yum, yum! The paintings have been based on the style of American painter, Wayne Thiebaud.





#### The U13s vs The Beacon & St John's Beaumont





**U13A** Against The Beacon: Lost 20-15 tries from Shane Morrow x3

It was a good start against The Beacon, with good distribution and early tries. The Beacon, to their credit, stepped up and started dominating the breakdown, allowing them the front foot. St John's put in a great effort but due to a break away interception try we lost the game.



Against St Johns Beaumont: Lost 25-15 with tries from Shane Morrow x3

Beaumont are a slick outfit with some key runners and ball distributors. Nonetheless, St John's stepped up and put them on the back foot. We put a good defensive performance together and stayed in the game throughout with some great tries coming from the captain Shane Morrow. Lots to build on and we are now focusing on our next game.



#### The U13s vs The Beacon & St John's Beaumont





**U13B** vs the Beacon: lost 7-2 U13B vs St John's Beaumont: lost 4-0

In a triangular fixture on a lovely day for rugby, the boys faced a stern test against two good rugby sides. In the first match against The Beacon our defence was tested against a big side on



numerous occasions. Missed tackles led to a large deficit early on which gave us a moutain to climb. The boys rallied with a couple of late tries as our handling and confidence improved. In the second game the boys were a lot more physical and produced a fantastic performance. Though we didn't score, our attack was much better and our defence was much improved. Man of the fixture was Kian A.



### Our U12s met St John's Beaumont





**U12A** Lost 40-20 tries from Leo 3 and Kyan 1 Player of the match - Leo

A tough match and we battled hard, but we never had the ball for long enough to create enough scoring chances against the opposition. Some great tries scored by Leo and Kyan.



**U12B** Lost 45 – 25 tries from Harry 4 Mehul 1

An exciting and close match. St John's competed well in the rucks and mauls and scored some good tries. In the end St John's Beaumont were a little too strong for us but we never gave up. Thanks to Mr Carpmael for his photos.





#### Running for fun and charity at Moor Park Last Sunday we joined our local community in the glorious grounds of Merchant Taylors' School for the Moor Park Fun Run

Last Sunday we joined our local community in the glorious grounds of Merchant Taylors' School for the Moor Park Fun Run and 10K. Almost a hundred boys from Nursery to Year 8, parents, staff and alumni all competed in races and cheered each other on. We achieved some great results and raised £5,373 for Mount Vernon Cancer Centre, Northwood. Ieuan in the Badgers said "I wanted to raise money to help people who have got cancer, I asked everyone I could think of and told them I would run as fast as I could." Many congratulations to all who took part.



















#### Moor Park Fun Run 2022 Results

U15 Boys			
Emerson Clifford	2nd	Time	17.26
Nishant Sumon	5th	Time	19.16
Under 12 Boys			
Vivek Chopra	1st	Time	10.05
U10 Boys			
Teddy O'Beirne	2nd	Time	5.29

Hari Mangat David Zilberman	3rd 6th	Time Time	··
U7 Boys			
Sam Butler-Cox	2nd	Time	4.33
Nathaniel Negbenebor	3rd	Time	4.48
Logan Kennedy	4th	Time	4.51
Leo Levorato	5th	Time	5.01
Shayan Mehta	6th	Time	5.12



Rated

'excellent'

in latest ISI

inspection

## ST JOHN'S SCHOOL **OPEN MORNING**

Come and visit us on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2022. Register online via the website. Tours depart at 9.15 a.m with the Headmaster's address at 10.45 a.m.

"Traditional values of respect and kindness are blended with an innovative approach to teaching and learning; our ethos is both rounded as well as academically rigorous."

**Register** online

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## Krüger Sports Camps



#### **October Sports Camp**

Kruger Camp is back after spectacular support and attendance during the summer, thank you! Ready and set for the coming half term, to play and be active with our friends.

As it is getting close to the football season, we thought we would offer more of what the boys (and girls) love so dearly!

For more information go to www.krugercamps.co.uk

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## CLASSICS Trip

Salvete Pueri!

#### CLASSICS TRIP TO ITALY

Tuesday 14th to Saturday 18th February 2023 Open to all boys in Years 7 & 8

Please return your booking form as soon as possible, but no later than Friday 30th September, so that you don't miss out on this exciting opportunity. For further information, please contact Mrs Arron rarron@st-johns.org.uk

Don't delay – apply today!!!!!!

#### ST JOHN'S FIREWORKS NIGHT THURSDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> NOVEMBER **SINCE 1920** Food served from 5:15pm Fireworks Display starts at 7pm M IMPENDERE VER **Guy competition** Mulled Wine, **Pumpkin competition** Hot Chocolate stalls Bonfire Menu Crepes Jumbo Chicken **Tickets:** Hot dog Vegan Burger (Halal) Child £11 Food served with chips and a drink Adult £13 Designed by Mithil Patel (8B) Tickets include food and drink

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#### Calendar & important dates

#### Contact details

**Monday 3rd October:** St John's Association Meeting (7.30pm)

Wednesday 5th October: Neurodiversity and Inclusion Presentation for Years 3-8 (9.05am-10.50am)

Rugby v Thorpe House: U13A, B (a), U12A, B (h) (2.30pm)

Thursday 6th October: National Poetry Day

**Friday 7th October:** Rugby v Belmont: U10A, B, C, D (a) (2.15pm)

Rugby v Haberdashers': Colts A, B, C, D (a) (2.45pm)

No swimming

**Updates**: Please continue to visit **www.st-johns.org.uk** for all the latest information on sports fixtures and results. The website will have announcements in case of emergency.



You can also follow us on twitter @stjsnorthwood and our sports department @StJohnsNwSport

**Mailings**: If you would like to be sent a copy of the Lamb each week, please email: Lamb Editor. Let us know your contact details and you will be added to the list.

**Photographs**: Do please continue to send in pictures to lambeditor@st-johns.org.uk for inclusion in The Lamb. Many thanks.

#### Notices and reminders

**Moor Park Fun Run:** We were delighted to see so many families last Sunday and well done to all the boys and staff who ran. We are proud to announce that we raised a total of £5,373 for the Mount Vernon Cancer Centre in Northwood. Thank you all.

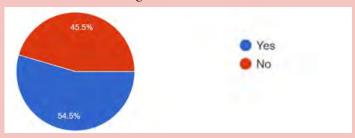
Macmillan Coffee Morning Friday 30th September: It was lovely to see so many of you this morning. You can donate to this very important cause here.

**St John's Association:** Many thanks to the SJA for all their hard work in making our Macmillan coffee morning so successful. We look forward to seeing them all again soon at Fireworks Night and at the Lord Mayor's Show. In the meantime, if you would like to find out more about joining our vibrant parental group, please contact the St John's Association Chair, Mrs Puja Patel **puja.patel@btinternet.com.** 

**Open Morning Wednesday 12th October 2022:** Please see the flyer on page 18 and invite any families you know who might be interested.

**Lord Mayor's Show Invitation 12th November 2022:** SThis will be a memorable event for anyone connected to the Merchant Taylors' Company. Read more on page 3

**Votes for schools:** Last week's question: Do you feel comfortable with change?



Next week's question: Would you buy second hand clothes to help the environment?

House Points: 1s Lincoln 14.70, 2nd Churchill 14.65

3rd Oates 13.48, 4th Lawrence 12.59

Have a lovely weekend and all the best to Mr Pawson who is running the London Marathon on Sunday.