

Lord Mayor's Show was a festival of pageantry

The sun shone, London looked stunning and the parade was colourful and exciting. The St John's boys all played their part as we welcomed our new Merchant Taylors' Lord Mayor, Nick Lyons. Teddy in Year 5 carried a torch at the front of the parade, our brass players played on the huge Merchant Taylors' float and Hugo, also in Year 5, designed the flag which all the boys who came to support were waving. What a day!



From the Headmaster

I was so proud of the wonderful support St John's boys, and parents offered to the new Lord Mayor of London at the show on Saturday. Our musicians (who, together with dramatists, are preparing for next week's Arts Evening on Thursday), flag designer, torch bearer and all participants were a credit to the School, and the Merchant Taylors' Company.

We marked Anti-Bullying week with a formal assembly on Monday, although our

ethos and education about bullying extends across the year, both within school and in online conduct. Elsewhere, boys have enjoyed competing on the rugby pitch in fixtures from U8 up to our 1st XIII. The St John's Festival of Rugby was a huge success, with our senior team playing really well.

Learning continues apace throughout the School.



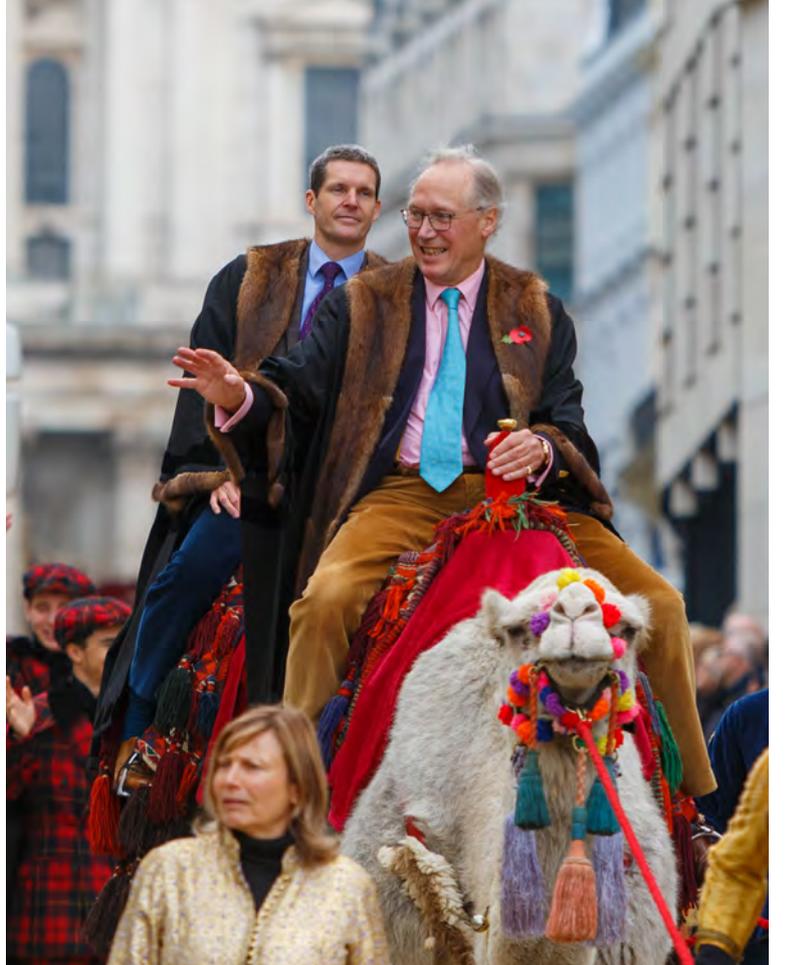
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Court Assistants Duncan Egger and former St John's Chair of Governors Martin Robb rode camels.





Remembering with our local community

Nishant, Rafi and Kian, our Head and Deputy Head boys, represented the School at the Cenotaph in Northwood on Remembrance Sunday. Many people from our local community came together to remember those who fought and lost their lives so that we may enjoy freedom today.





Weighing it up in Year 5

Year 5 have been exploring weights and measures. They first tried to compare the weight of different items before then using scales to measure the weight of a variety of items around the classroom. The boys were very inventive in their choices of things to weigh, including pencil cases, staplers, spray bottles and even laptops.





Baby clinic is fun for the Lambs

The Lambs are learning about our bodies and babies. The role play area is a baby clinic and proving very popular, lots of doctors in the making!





Classic Russian design in Year 1

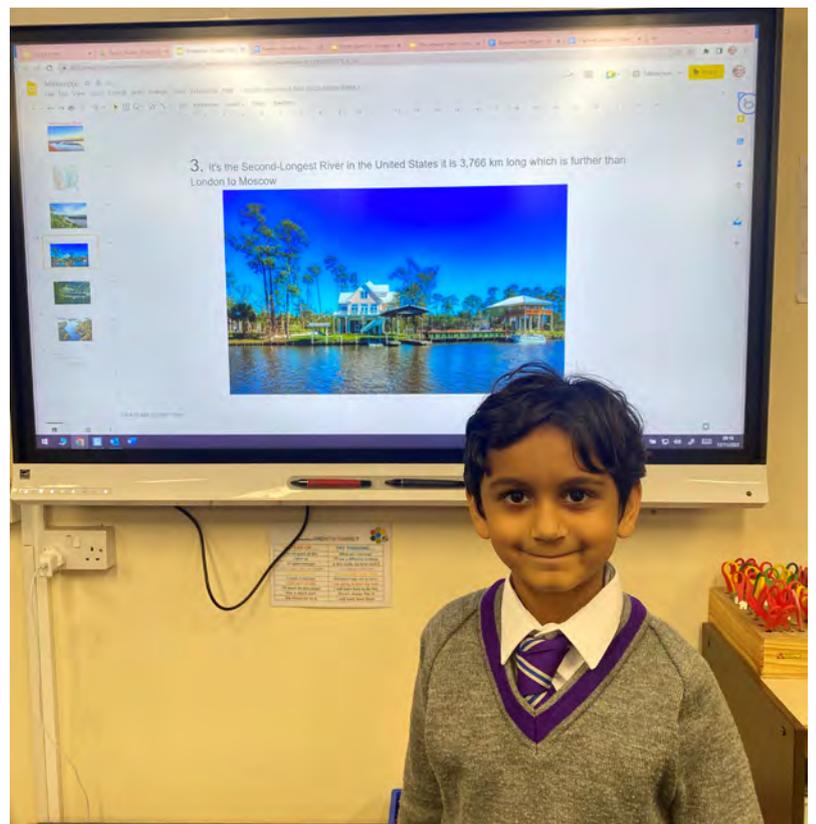
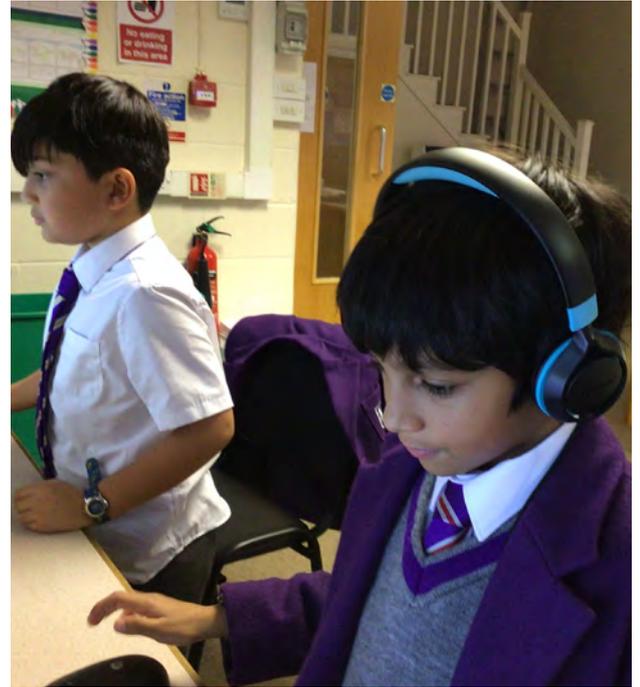
This half term the boys in Year 1 have been learning about Russia. This has led to some thought provoking questions and discussions. We have looked at beautiful churches and palaces in Moscow and St Petersburg and talked about the designer Carl Faberge. The Faberge eggs the boys decorated could almost be mistaken for the real thing!





Year 3 have been learning presentation skills in ICT

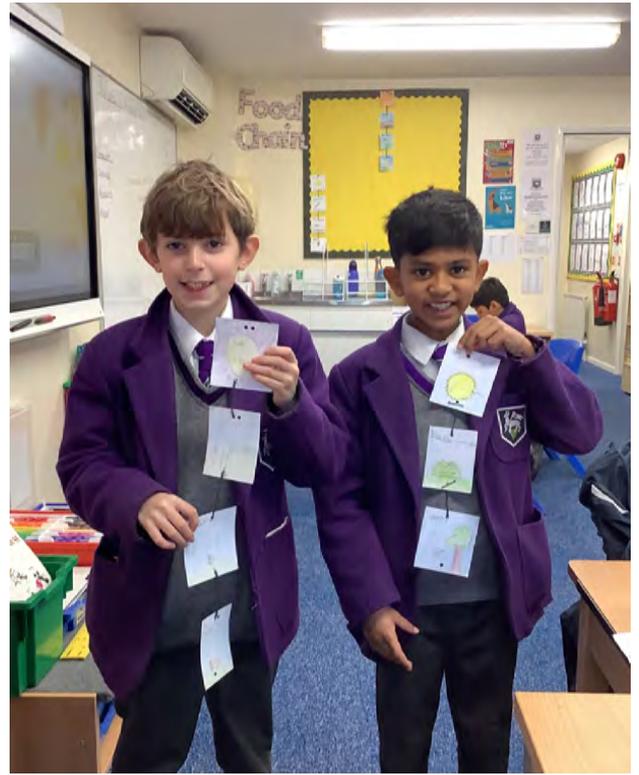
Year 3 have been finding out how to use google slides and google docs in ICT. They have learned how to change text as well as inserting pictures and even videos! They practised this for homework then they gave presentations to the class on their favourite river.





Moving up the food chain in Year 4

Year 4 made food chains of their own, demonstrating a clear understanding of the concept of producer, carnivore, omnivore, and herbivore. They achieved this using their ICT skills to carry out research and literal cut and paste to make their own.



MUSIC



Our brass players played an important role in the Lord Mayor's Show

The Lord Mayor's Show was a very enjoyable occasion for the St John's brass players and it was nice to show our support for the Lord Mayor, who is a member of the Merchant Taylors' Company. We performed a variety of marching band pieces on the Company float, which travelled from Mansion House all the way to the Royal Courts of Justice. The parade featured a huge variety of military and other bands which the crowds responded to enthusiastically. Whilst we were not playing, we had fun waving our flags designed by Hugo in Year 5 and watching Teddy, also in Year 5 carrying the torch behind the float. Everyone enjoyed the sunny weather, as well as the afternoon tea! *Report by Nishant, Head Boy.*





Eggciting times in the DT&E workshop



Year 4 test their motorised egg-mobiles and add the seating for Humpty (who is a real egg).



Our fabulous motorised shop window displays are ready to show you at Arts Evening!



Studying a curio in the DT&E workshop



Is that all it does? Dialling 999 on this old phone in an emergency took ages!

FOOD BANK COLLECTION

Every little bit helps!

From week commencing Monday, 21st November, we will have collection bins in the car park for you to place your donation. Final day of collection is Tuesday, 29th November. All donations will be taken to our local food banks.

What can you donate?



DRY FOOD PRODUCTS



TINNED FOOD PRODUCTS



GOOD TOYS NEW OR OLD



BOOKS NEW OR USED



St John's U13 Rugby Festival

We were extremely lucky with the weather on Wednesday afternoon as the rain stopped for the duration of our Festival. We welcomed Thorpe House, St Albans, Davenies and St John's Beaumont U13 teams for an exciting afternoon of very competitive rugby, enjoyed by parents, boys and staff. We won the games against Thorpe House and Davenies and overall, the team played really well with some great individual performances.



SPORT





U11, U10 and U9 Barbarians

On Friday 11th November three specially selected players from each year group attended a Barbarians style tournament at Merchant Taylors' School. They were put into mixed teams with other schools and given team kit. During the evening, Mr Kruger, Mr Russell and Mr Smith had the joy of walking around various pitches watching the St John's boys do themselves and the School proud. Everyone played the game in the correct spirit, working together to produce some fantastic rugby.





Calendar & important dates

Contact details

Saturday 19th November: U8 Tag Rugby Festival: Gayhurst (9.00am–1.00pm)

Northwood Lights Big Switch-on

Tuesday 22nd November: Year 8 Parents' Evening (A-M) (6.00pm)

Year 4 House Rugby

Wednesday 23rd November: Arts Evening rehearsals during the Day

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

Thursday 24th November: Arts Evening (6.30pm)

Friday 25th November: House Meetings

Rugby Festival at St Albans: U10A (10.00am–3.00pm)

Rugby v The Beacon: U10B, C, D (h) (2.15pm)

Rugby v Belmont: Colts A, B, C, D (a) (2.15pm)

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 @stjnsnorthwood 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

Northwood Big Christmas Switch-on Saturday 19th November at 4.00pm: The St John's Brass Band and Senior Choir will be playing and singing. Boys should arrive at the Namaste Lounge on Joel Street at 3.30pm. Do come and support this community event.

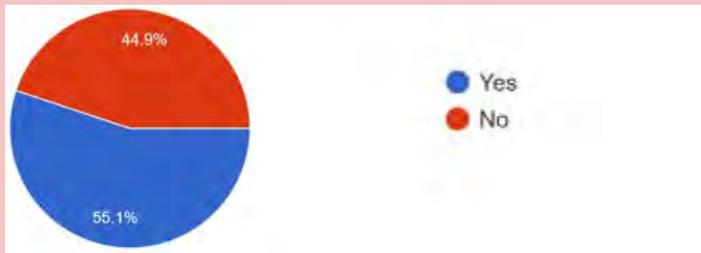
Arts Evening Rehearsals Wednesday 23rd November: Please remember to bring your instruments and music.

Arts Evening Thursday 24th November: Arts Evening starts at 6.30pm in the Norman Hall. Boys should arrive at school no earlier than 6.00pm with their instruments and music, wearing smart school uniform. During the interval, there will be an exhibition of DT&E and Art in the Sports Hall.

Donations for local foodbanks: From 21st November, the SJA will have collection bins in the car park for you to place your donation. The final collection day is Friday 29th November. More information on page 12.

Early Warning! Christmas Jumper Day is on Friday 9th December. Make sure that you have a jumper ready. Any festive design, homemade or otherwise is absolutely fine.

Votes for schools: Last week's question: Should everyone be able to vote at 16?



Next week's question: Do fandoms encourage bullying?

House Points: 1st Churchill 45.87, 2nd Lincoln 45.70, 3rd Oates 43.31, 4th Lawrence 40.61

Have a great weekend.