

St John's School Weekly Newsletter

Issue 306

Hari's cake sale raises money for a great charity











This week boys in the Prep School have been focusing on summer term tests. We are proud of the positive and

empathetic attitude the boys have been displaying, never too busy to think of others. To celebrate the end of the week we enjoyed treats at break which Hari in 5C organised to raise money to save sight in Africa, following his assembly on Monday. In other news, our Year 8 band enjoyed a special trip to a music studio over half term and our youngest boys are eagerly waiting for their caterpillars to turn into butterflies. You

can enjoy a whole range of summer sports in *The Lamb* this week: a large number of boys played representative matches, with some fantastic individual and team performances. We wish all our Colts A and U13 6 a-side cricketers well this weekend in their matches, particularly after tonight's camp out which many of them will enjoy!

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Hari (5C) is raising money for a hospital in Africa

'I am raising money for the Lions Sightfirst Hospital in Nairobi, the first and largest eye hospital in East Africa. 19% of people have impaired vision in the rural areas of Kenya and since the opening of the hospital in 1997, 150,000 people have had their sight restored. The operations cost £50 but are free to the patient. The hospital has also helped over 400,000 children have eye tests and receive free glasses.

I've been really lucky to see the hospital in action. Hearing that my grandfather helped start the hospital and donate the female ward in my grandma's name motivated me to do something to help. I like the idea of being able to help a person see again so they can look after themselves. Helped by my friends, I organised "A treat at break time." Thank you for your donations.' *Hari*









From the St John's Association

Welcome back to the second half of the Summer Term!

Thank you to all of you who supported the SJA Supper Quiz just before the half-term break. A lot of fun was had by all, and we raised money for charity too. If you missed it this year, definitely aim to go next year - you will not be disappointed!

This half of term we have even more fun in store for the St John's community. Here is a reminder so you can pop the dates in your diaries now:

16 June: Charity Day. A barbecue and drinks in the school grounds after pick-up time. The teachers run football and other games for the boys so the parents get to catch up properly! A real highlight of the term.

25 June: Summer Fun Day. The biggest event in the school calendar. Attractions, stalls, food, raffle and endless fun for everyone - don't miss it!

Obviously, these events do not happen without an enormous amount of work so please do get in touch if you would like to help out. Even if you can only help for one event or part of an event, we would be hugely grateful. And when your class reps come to you to ask for volunteers to take turns running the stalls at Summer Fun Day, please do be forthcoming in offering your help. We all really appreciate it.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the events, if not before. Your St John's Association Committee











More things going on around school













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A Pre-Prep Hungry Caterpillar

The Lambs have read 'The Hungry Caterpillar' this week and we have learnt all about the life cycle of a caterpillar, all the fruits, numbers and days of the week in the story.











Fun clubs for Years 1 and 2

The boys in Year 1 & 2 have been busy with their extra-curricular clubs this week. This term's improving weather makes the forest even more enjoyable for those who love exploring and using their imagination. Inside, who has been dealt a lucky hand in Top Trumps Club?











Year 1 and 2 Badminton Club

The boys are very enthusiastic about their badminton. They are learning how to hold the racquet correctly and how to serve.













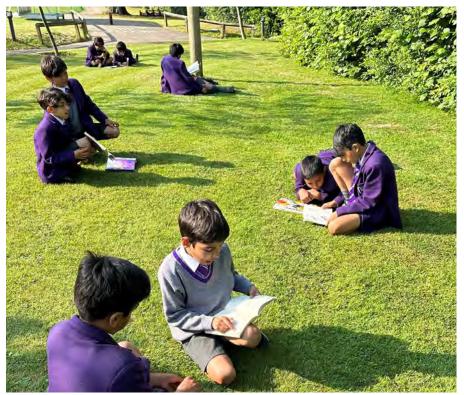


Year 3 reading in the sunshine

Year 3 were happy to have a slightly different form time this morning. They each chose a partner from the other class and shared a book together in the morning sunshine.





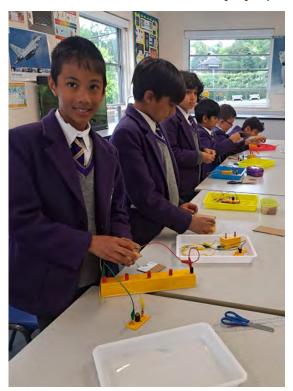


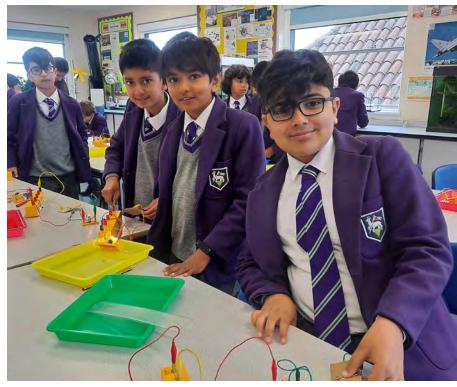


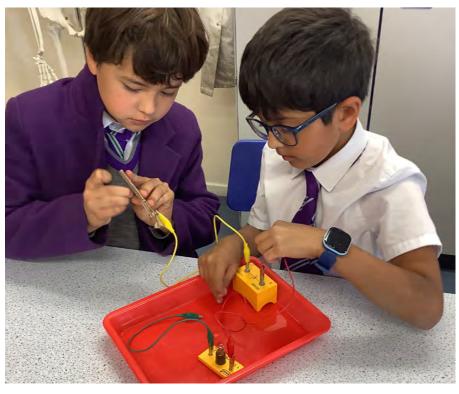


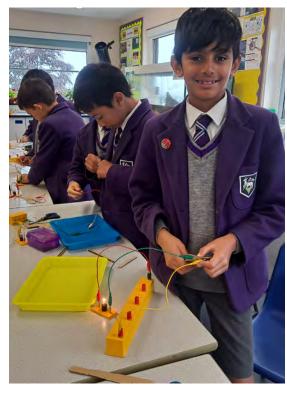
Shocking times in Year 4

This week the Year 4 boys have had the opportunity to learn about electricity by making their own switches from household materials. First they made the switches and then observed how they worked by connecting them to an electrical circuit. In this circuit, if their switches worked properly, they could switch a bulb on and off!











Inspirational studio experience for our Year 8 Band

The Year 8 rock 'n' roll band have reached the pinnacle of any pre-teen garage band, a trip to the recording studio, Gizzard Analogue recordings in Bow. The band had written two songs to record and were super excited when they reported to Mr Deegan, the owner/engineer at the studio and set about tuning up and plugging in. Kabir honked out on his dreamy sax, Ayaan (Year 7 legend) was slapping the plank on a Fender precision bass, Harrow Weald fretboard legend Mithil handled

the guitar parts whilst George and Remika bashed those pagan skins! That left Mihir gently weaving tunes on a 1969 Vox Continental 300 with lead vocals handled by the endlessly talented Ahaan. Support harmony vocals were pumped out heartily by all the other band members on subsequent backing tracks. The seven-hour session flew by and there was even time to shoot some shots for a **video**. Rock on fellas! *Mr Vince*











2nd X1 v Orley Farm

On a hot afternoon, the 2nd XI enjoyed their only home game this season, against Orley Farm. Our bowling was, as usual, very accurate. George L 2-9 off 3, Ayaan 2-21 off 4 and Adhiraj 2-15 off 3 were the pick of the bowlers and Orley Farm finished on 108-7. In response, our middle order saved us with some really good batting partnerships. Remika top scored with 36(24), with George L supporting well with 20(11). We won with 22 balls to spare. Well done boys.









U13 and U11 Tennis matches v St Martin's

On Tuesday the 6th of June the St John's tennis team played St Martin's. Our Under 11s narrowly lost overall, but all of the matches were very close. Well done to Teddy and David for winning all of their matches. Our Under 13s won all of their matches decisively. All in all, we played very well. Remika, Tennis Captain.











More things going on around school sport

We've had a full range of sporting activities on offer here at St John's this week for all ages, and we even enjoyed some sunshine in the afternoons so that we could make the most of our beautiful grounds.











More things going on around school sport







St John's Association

SUMMER FUNDAY

Sunday 25 June 2023 11am - 3pm

£2 entry

IGE GREANIS GREPES

CRAZY

BOUNCY CASTLE

> CTIVITY RUN

TEA GUP RIDE

PRIZES

RAFFLE

PIMME

RACE CAR BUNGEE

LAST ONE STANDING MEGASLIDE



Important dates and contacts

Saturday 10th June: Colts A 11 a-side Cricket Tournament at Orley Farm (10.00am – 3.30pm)

U13 A 6 a-side Cricket Tournament at York House (10.00am – 3.30pm)

Monday 12th June: 52nd London Schools Athletics Meeting at Thames Valley Centre at Eton (10.00am)

3+ Information Evening (7.00pm)

Tuesday 13th June: Year 4 Cricket Festival at York House (6 a-side) (2.00pm – 4.00pm)

4+ Information Evening (7.00pm)

Wednesday 14th June: Pre-Prep Musical Instrument Demonstration (11.15am)

Pre-Prep Moving up Afternoon (1.45pm)

Cricket v Davenies: 1st, 3rd, 5th XI (h) 2nd, 4th XI (a) (2.00pm)

Thursday 15th June: Senior Drama Dress Rehearsal to Juniors (9.30am)

Cricket v St Martin's: U8 A, B (a) C, D, E (h) (2.30pm)

7+ Information Evening (7.00pm)

Friday 16th June: Charity Day

House Meetings

U12 A Cricket at St Albans, Woollams (9.00am – 4.00pm)

Tabla Workshop (2.00pm-4.00pm)

Saturday 17th June: Senior Drama Rehearsal (9.30am – 1.00pm)



More Lion King Masks - it's going to be a great show

Updates: Please continue to visit **www.st-johns.org.uk** for all the latest information on sports fixtures and results.

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

Mailings: To be sent a copy of the Lamb each week, please email: Lamb Editor with your contact details.

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Notices and reminders

Year 8 Business Enterprise Sale: You'll be pleased to hear that the boys raised £1,512.84 for Place2Be last Friday – well done!

Charity Day: On Friday 16th June we are holding our main charity event of the year. The boys will be asked to take part in an exciting Orienteering Challenge in the School grounds. Instead of a sponsorship form this year, we would like the boys to make their donation via the Just Giving Link Place2Be. The amount is at your discretion. Boys will be asked to bring £1 to wear mufti and also to bring £1 for the tuck shop. From 3.00pm the SJA will be running a fantastic BBQ for everyone. We look forward to seeing you there.

Votes for Schools: This week's questions:

KS2 Can you recognise when someone has extreme views? 91.4% said yes;

KS3 Are extreme right-wing views persuasive to young people? 88.9% said yes

Next week's questions: KS2 Should Primary School pupils take tests? KS3 Are difficult exams good for assessing pupils' skills?

House points: 1st Churchill 134.22, 2nd Lawrence 129.12, 3rd Lincoln 127.43, 4th Oates 124.80

Enjoy the sunny weekend