

St John's School Weekly Newsletter

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We arrived back at School after half term to find the St John's Family Tree in place outside the dining hall. This beautiful mural has been lovingly created by Miss Gillen, using the handprints of every child and staff member, symbolising unity, connection, and the strength of our School community. Nestled in the tree hollow, a wise owl keeps a watchful eye over the children, reflecting the care and guidance at the heart of St John's.

Our boys have been focused on community and charity work recently. Year 8 promoted the products they have created during their Business Enterprise course. The sale next Friday will raise money for City Harvest. Meanwhile, some of our musicians entertained the Fellowship Group at Emmanuel Church on Wednesday afternoon. Their performances were greatly appreciated.

Year 4 boys have displayed camaraderie and determination as they faced the challenges of the Willcox Plate.

Meanwhile, the Sport Department have been challenged by the weather this week!

Eid Mubarak to all families who are celebrating.

The beautiful St John's Family Tree





SJA barbecue was a huge success

The SJA barbecue was a great success on Charity Day. The event was very well attended and boys and parents enjoyed relaxing together in the sunshine at the end of a busy half-term. Many thanks to our loyal SJA members for making this event possible. Helped by their House Masters, the Houses raised a total of £492.83, enabling our School Charity, City Harvest, to provide almost 1,500 meals for hungry people in London. Great job boys!

















St John's Association Summer Fun Day

Our next exciting event is the St John's Association Summer Fun Day. We all have our fingers crossed for a sunny day and look forward to seeing you there. Thank you to Hari in Year 5 for designing this eye-catching poster for us.





Year 8 entrepreneurs pitched their products to us

Year 8 have been inspired and challenged by working in teams on their Business Enterprise skills course. The six teams of entrepreneurs, "Creative Juice", "The Good Company", "Vision", "Summit", "Elevate" and "Stratos" presented their products to us in a special assembly this week. There was much excitement in the audience about the range of excellent products and experiences on offer. All money raised at the sale next Friday will go to our School Charity, City Harvest.













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Our winning tennis players

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Sea adventures in Reception
The Robins and Squirrels selected, rotated, and manipulated 2D shapes to create their own sea creatures as part of our Sea Adventure Topic. Great work boys.













Junior challenges

Recently, our Year 3 boys brought the festival of Hanukkah to life by learning to play the dreidel (a game of chance using a special four-sided spinning top.) Their excitement and concentration were a joy to behold! We also celebrated the spirit of teamwork and healthy competition as Year 4 battled it out in the annual Wilcox Plate challenges. The determination and camaraderie displayed by all the boys was truly impressive.















Willcox Plate continued



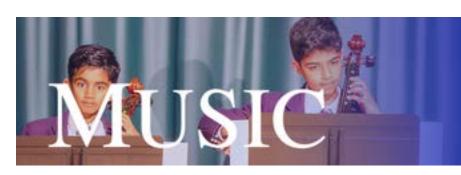














Entertaining our local community

The Emmanuel church community group was delighted to welcome our musicians on Wednesday. The Year 5 and 6 boys entertained their audience with performances on the piano, saxophone, trumpet, clarinet, flute and cello. After the music there was time for a chat with the audience. Our boys were a credit to the School.

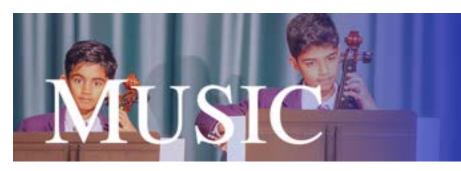














Inspiring the next generation

The Badgers and Eagles were introduced to a variety of musical instruments in their music lesson this week. Older boys demonstrated the instruments that boys have the opportunity to learn in Year 3 and talked about why they chose their instruments. By the end of the lesson most had a good idea of which instrument they were most inspired by.















A variety of projects in the Art Room

Year 6 boys are putting the finishing touches on their nail and string art projects, with some also making impressive progress on their mosaic tables. Year 4 students have thoroughly enjoyed painting their trainers, while Year 5 have been developing their skills in figure sculpture











Enjoying the challenges in DT&E



