

ST JOHN'S NEWSLETTER

7.11.2025

It's been wonderful to welcome everyone back after the half-term break.

The children have settled quickly and are already enjoying their learning once again — and even the autumnal weather hasn't dampened their enthusiasm!

There's lots to look forward to over the coming weeks, with plenty of exciting events and opportunities ahead as we move further into the term.

Mr Power

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Stars of the week

LEARN TOGETHER
ACHIEVE TOGETHER
CELEBRATE TOGETHER
AND 'LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE'



Reception - **Bohden** for showing great perseverance in his writing

Ezra for showing great ability with writing CVC words.

Year 1 - **Sebastian S** for always working hard and trying his best, even when faced with a tricky challenge.

George for showing kindness and celebrating his friend's achievements.

Year 2 - **Florence** for always showing our school values - thank you 😊

Wilfred for persevering with his handwriting and making super progress.

Year 3 - **Amelie** for always giving every lesson her absolute best and making her teachers smile.

Esme for showing lots of enthusiasm towards her learning.

Year 4 - **Emmie** for always giving every bit of her learning her full effort and attention. You are an example to everyone in our class.

Hudson H for Working hard with his writing this week, persevering and doing his best.

Year 5 - **Sutton** for persevering with his work with incredible results - what you have achieved this week has amazed us!

Millar for taking great responsibility for her own learning - you've worked hard both independently and as a team.

Year 6 - **Harley** for using thoughtful ideas and phrases in his writing- I was desperate to read on!

Darcey for using the 'show don't tell' skill so fantastically in English.

ACHIEVEMENTS
around SCHOOL



Ben (Y6) for Southend Canoe Club's **Young Paddler of the Year** trophy.



**SOUTHEND
RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB**

Nelson (Y2) for his achievements in rugby



Joshua (Y3) received his **Chief Scout Bronze Award**...the highest award you can earn as a Beaver

LAMDA

Hugo, Clara (Y2) & **Ellie** (Y3) for their achievements at London Academy of Music & Dramatic Art

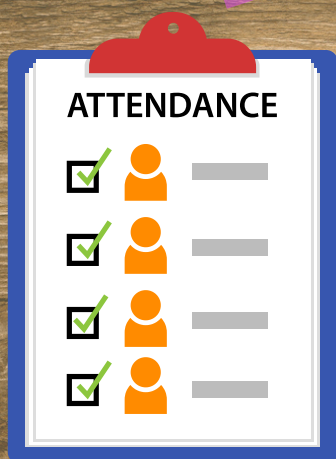


Esmay (Y5) for achieving her **Purple Belt** in Martial Arts

ACHIEVEMENTS

around **SCHOOL**

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Well done to Year 5
98.9% attendance

Whole School - 96.3%

Any communication regarding attendance will no longer be sent via letters. It will be emailed from the following account: attendance@st-johns-danbury.essex.sch.uk

Please do not use this for when your child is absent from school.

House Points

Well done to
St George House
for winning this week's
House Cup



Team	Autumn	Spring	Summer	Running total
St Andrew	1			3081
St David	2			3170
St George	5			3173
St Patrick				2945



SIAMS **SUCCESS** FOR ST JOHN'S!

We are delighted to share that our recent Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMS) report found that St John's "is living up to its foundation as a Church school and is enabling pupils and adults to flourish."



The report praised our vision, "Learn Together, Achieve Together, Celebrate Together – and let your light shine," which is clearly seen throughout school life. The inspector highlighted the strength of our curriculum, collective worship, and caring relationships that make St John's such a special place.

Thank you to our whole school community for helping every child to let their light shine!



END-OF-DAY PICK-UP ARRANGEMENTS



A reminder to all parents and carers that children will only be released to adults listed on their **official pick-up list**. If someone regularly collects your child, please ensure their name is added or updated with the school office.

For **one-off arrangements** — such as playdates or a friend's parent collecting — please inform the class teacher or office on the day, as early as possible. This information cannot be left until the end of the school day, as we need time to ensure messages are passed on and children are kept safe.

Thank you for your support in helping us maintain clear and secure end-of-day arrangements.

This week's story and big question

In the news this week...

An animal charity, called Redwings Horse Sanctuary, has asked the government to make fireworks quieter to help protect animals and people. Loud fireworks can scare pets, wildlife, and some people who find sudden noises upsetting. Supporters of the campaign say we can still celebrate with low-noise fireworks or light shows that keep everyone safe and happy.



My opinion

I think...
I feel...
I prefer...
I am convinced that...
I know...
I believe...
My view is...

 Pictures
News

**Should fireworks be
changed so we protect
animals and people at
the same time?**

David Tramontan/SOPA Images/Shutterstock

Things to talk about at home...

- Do you celebrate Bonfire Night or an occasion with fireworks?
- Do you enjoy fireworks? Discuss with someone at home.
- The campaign suggests low-noise fireworks and drone shows as alternatives to traditional fireworks. For each, think about the pros and cons.

NON-UNIFORM DAY

FRIDAY 14TH NOVEMBER



BBC
Children
in Need

Bring in £1.

50p will be donated to Children in Need. 50p will be donated to our chosen school charity: Essex Dementia Care.



**WEAR SOMETHING SPOTTY OR
YELLOW OR NON-UNIFORM**



SALTMINE

A SHOW FOR ALL THE FAMILY!
FRIDAY 28TH NOVEMBER

AT DANBURY MISSION, 54 MALDON ROAD, ESSEX, CM3 4QL
DOORS OPEN 6:00PM & SHOW STARTS 6:30PM

BOOK NOW WWW.DANBURYMISSION.ORG.UK/EVENTS

**TICKET
PRICES**

**ADULT £12.00
CHILD £6.00
FAMILY £30.00**

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PE & Swimming



PE days – Children to wear PE Kit to school
Swimming days - Children to wear uniform to school
 These days will run for the entire year

Day	EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Monday		PE	PE	PE	PE	PE	PE
Tuesday	Swimming			Swimming	PE	PE	
Wednesday	PE	Swimming	PE		Swimming		PE
Thursday	PE	PE	Swimming	PE		Swimming	Swimming



Reminder that earrings are **not to be worn** for PE or Swimming



SCHOOL DINNERS

WEEK 2

Home-cooked hot dinners with locally sourced food for just **£2.40**
 School meals are to be ordered and paid for on ParentPay

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Pasta & Pepperoni Sauce Garlic Bread, Coleslaw and Mixed Salad	Pepperoni Pizza Salad Bar, Sweetcorn and Coleslaw	Roast Chicken Yorkshire pudding, Roast Potatoes, Stuffing, Peas, Carrots and Gravy	Chicken Chunks Potato Wedges, Peas or Beans	Fishfinger Baguette Chips and Beans
Option 2	Pasta & Cheese/Tomato Sauce Garlic Bread, Coleslaw and Mixed Salad	Cheese Pizza Salad Bar Sweetcorn and Coleslaw	Quorn Fillet Yorkshire pudding, Roast Potatoes, Stuffing, Peas, Carrots and Gravy	Quorn Dippers Potato Wedges, Peas or Beans	Omelette Chips and Beans
Option 3	Jacket Potato Baked Beans, Tuna or Cheese	Jacket Potato Baked Beans, Tuna or Cheese	Jacket Potato Baked Beans, Tuna or Cheese	Jacket Potato Baked Beans, Tuna or Cheese	Jacket Potato Baked Beans, Tuna or Cheese
Option 4	Baguettes with Cheese, Tuna or Ham	Baguettes with Cheese, Tuna or Ham	Baguettes with Cheese, Tuna or Ham	Baguettes with Cheese, Tuna or Ham	Baguettes with Cheese, Tuna or Ham
	Mandarin and Pineapple Fruit Salad	Apple Sponge Cake and Custard	Vanilla Ice cream with Orange Slices	Strawberry and Grapefruit Salad	Chocolate Muffins with Orange Slices
Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Pasta & Pepperoni Sauce Garlic Bread, Coleslaw and Mixed Salad	All day breakfast – Butchers Sausage, Bacon Egg, Beans, Hash Browns and Mushrooms	BBQ Chicken Kebabs and Rice Roasted Peppers and Onions, Sweet Chilli Sauce and Flatbread	Beef Burger in a Bun with Sweetcorn, Tortilla Chips and Tomato Sauce	Bubble Cod with Chips, Beans or Sweetcorn
Option 2	Pasta & Cheese/Tomato Sauce Garlic Bread, Coleslaw and Mixed Salad	All day breakfast - Vegetarian Sausage Egg, Beans, Hashbrowns and Mushrooms	Quorn Fillet and Rice Roasted Peppers and Onions, Sweet Chilli Sauce and Flatbread	Vegetarian Burger in a Bun Sweetcorn, Tortilla Chips and Tomato Sauce	Cheese Puff Triangles Chips, Beans or Sweetcorn
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	Strawberry Ice Cream with Orange Slices	Fruity Flapjacks	Jelly and Pineapple Pieces	Cinnamon Cookies with Apple Slices	Fruit Smoothies
Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Homemade Chicken Korma Curry Rice and Naan Bread	Meatballs in Tomato Sauce Pasta, Garlic Bread and Runner Beans	Roast Chicken Yorkshire pudding, Roast Potatoes, Stuffing, Peas, Carrots and Gravy	Chicken Burger Lettuce, Mayo, Sweetcorn and Tortilla Chips	Butchers Sausage Chips, Beans or Sweetcorn
Option 2	Homemade Vegetable Korma Curry Rice and Naan Bread	Quorn Meatballs in Tomato Sauce Pasta, Garlic Bread and Runner Beans	Quorn Fillet Yorkshire pudding, Roast Potatoes, Stuffing, Peas, Carrots and Gravy	Quorn Burger Lettuce, Mayo, Sweetcorn and Tortilla Chips	Veggie Sausages Chips, Beans or Sweetcorn
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	Chocolate Ice Cream with Orange Slices	Cherry Sponge Cake and Custard	Vanilla Traybake	Pancakes and Chocolate Sauce with Banana Slice	Fruit Platter or Yogurt

Key Dates 2025-2026



Below are some of the key dates for the upcoming academic year as well as more detailed events for Autumn Term 2025.

Autumn Term	
11.11.25	Year 6/All Remembrance Service
13.11.25	Year 5 Planetarium Visit at school
25.11.25	Year 6 Trip
1.12.25	John Williams at Christmas - Years 4, 5, 6 and Choir
2-3.12.25	KS1 Nativity
5.12.25	Choir at Eve's Corner
12.12.25	Christmas Fayre (PTFA)
15.12.25	Year 3 & 4 Carol Service
16.12.25	Civic Theatre Pantomime
17.12.25	Christmas Dinner & Jumper Day
19.12.25	Last Day of Term

Spring Term	
05.01.26	INSET DAY
10.02.26 & 12.02.26	Parents' Evening
16.02.26-20.02.26	HALF TERM
05.03.26	World Book Day
27.03.26	INSET DAY
30.03.26-10.04.26	EASTER BREAK
Summer Term	
11.05.26-14.05.26	SATs Week
25.05.26	HALF TERM
08.06.26	Year 6 Residential
19.06.26	Year 5 Trip
17.07.26	Leavers' Service & Last Day
20.07.26	INSET DAY

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