

# ST JOHN'S NEWSLETTER

13.03.2026



Another great week at St John's, full of opportunities for pupils to let their light shine.

Last night we held our **Music Celebration Evening**, which was fantastic. Over 40 pupils took to the stage to perform in a variety of acts to an audience of more than 120 people. The courage and confidence shown by the children was wonderful to see. Do take a look at our [Instagram](#) post for some highlights from the evening.

In **Collective Worship** this week, we reflected on **Psalm 56**, which reminds us that God sees every tear, and **Psalm 34**, which tells us that God is close to those who are hurting. Together we paused to consider the question: **Who might need kindness or comfort today?**

Mr Power



**Red Nose Day 2026**

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March - Non-school uniform - dress in red!

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# Stars of the week

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



**Reception - Hollie** for being a ray of sunshine in our classroom!

**Rose** for doing really well in all her learning this week!

**Year 1 - Macey and Joshua** for always working hard and trying their best!

**Year 2 - Lilly** for always being super helpful

**Arthur** for having a great week - we are so proud of you!

**Year 3 - Jacob W** for showing a positive approach to school and trying different things.

**Alastair** for approaching every lesson in a motivated manner and continuously striving to meet his full potential.

**Year 4 - Andrei** for showing such kindness to a classmate - keep it up!

**Jude** for listening to advice and acting upon it with maturity!

**Year 5 - Ezra** for having such an amazing attitude to your learning. You are enthusiastic about EVERYTHING that we do and you are always trying to achieve your best!

**Sofia W** for your kind and caring nature. You are always so thoughtful towards others - keep being you!

**Year 6 - Ben** for determination to improve his writing to achieve his full potential.

**Seb** for persevering and showing great resilience when editing his own writing. You listened so carefully to feedback and it showed in your writing.

**ACHIEVEMENTS**  
around **SCHOOL**



**Jude (Y2)** was very proud to receive his **first stripe on his grey belt** this week at **Ju Jitsu**

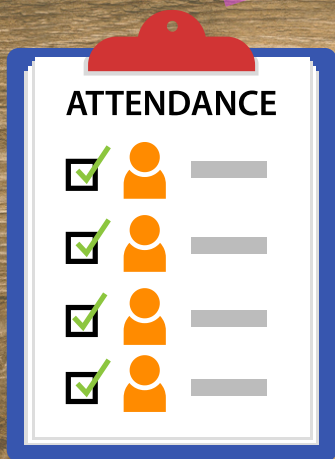


**Josh (Y5)** for achieving his **Chief Scout Silver Award**

# ACHIEVEMENTS

around SCHOOL

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Well done to Year 4  
100% 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](mailto: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 Andrews House**  
for winning this week's  
House Cup



Team	Autumn	Spring	Summer	Running total
<b>St Andrew</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>9549</b>
<b>St David</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>		<b>10406</b>
<b>St George</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>10291</b>
<b>St Patrick</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>		<b>9788</b>



# Parking Considerations



We have received a number of concerns from local residents about parking around the school at drop-off and pick-up times.

Please remember that the roads surrounding the school are residential streets and we ask all parents and carers to park safely, legally and with consideration for our neighbours.

In particular, please ensure that:

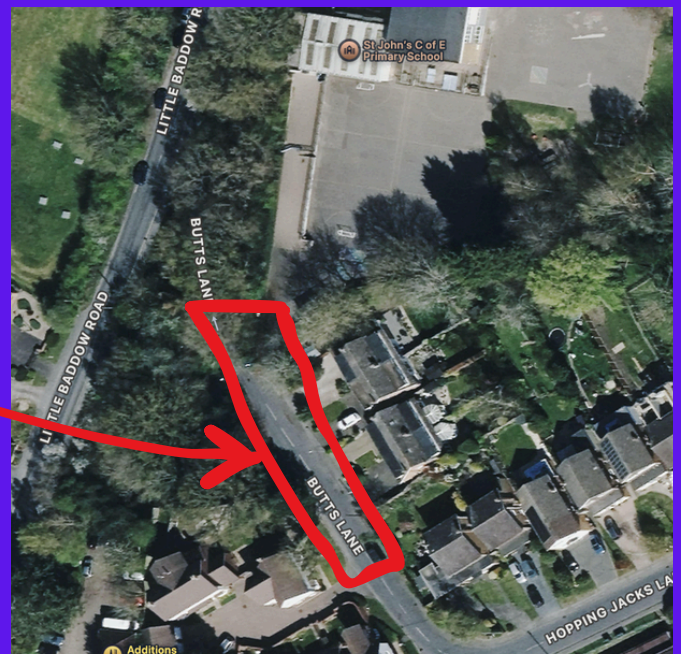
- Driveways are not blocked at any time
- Roads are kept clear so that traffic can pass safely
- Residents are treated with courtesy if they need to access their homes

Blocking driveways or obstructing the road causes significant difficulty for those who live nearby and is not acceptable.

Where possible, we encourage families to walk to school, or to park further away and walk the final part of the journey. This helps reduce congestion and keeps everyone safer at the busiest times of the day.

Thank you for supporting us in being considerate members of the Danbury community.

Please be mindful of where you are parking.



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# EASTER EGG RAFFLE



**YEAR 6 CHARITY  
COMMITTEE**

## 50P A TICKET

**TICKETS SOLD FROM THE 9<sup>TH</sup> MARCH.**

**DRAW TAKES PLACE:**

**26<sup>TH</sup> MARCH**



**Essex Dementia Care**

Life doesn't stop with dementia

# This week's story and big question

## In the news this week...

During China's Lunar New Year Gala, one of the world's most-watched TV shows, humanoid robots danced and performed kung-fu moves on stage. The robots could spin, jump, and move in time with music, showing how fast robotics technology is developing.

Other Chinese-designed robots appeared at New Year celebrations in New York, USA. The performances have sparked global conversations about how robots might be used in future entertainment and everyday life.



**How might  
robots change  
our daily  
lives?**

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

## Things to talk about at home...

- Have you ever seen a robot before? Where was it?
- Do you think robots should be used for entertainment, work, or both?
- What are some of the things that people can do that robots can't?
- If you could design a robot, what would it do and why?



# 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 **£2.70**  
 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
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
	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 Spring & Summer Terms 2026.



**New dates added in red.**

Spring Term	
17.03.26 & 19.03.26	Parents' Evening
18.03.26	Year 3 Trip
19.03.26	Infant Music Festival
20.03.26	PTFA Easter Egg Hunt
20.03.26	Red Nose Day
23.03.26	Whole School Cross-Country
24.03.26 & 25.03.26	Band It Performances
26.03.26	Year 1 Trip
26.03.26	Easter Service @ St John's Church
27.03.26	INSET DAY
30.03.26-10.04.26	EASTER BREAK

Summer Term	
11.05.26-14.05.26	SATs Week
20.05.26	Year 3 & 4 Swimming Gala
25.05.26	HALF TERM
03.06.26	Year 5 & 6 Swimming Gala
08.06.26	Year 6 Residential
19.06.26	Year 5 Trip
25.06.26	Year 4 Trip
26.06.26	Sports Day
03.07.26	Arts Festival
08.07.26	Triathlon
17.07.26	Leavers' Service & Last Day
20.07.26	INSET DAY

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