

ST JOHN'S NEWSLETTER

22.05.2026



Finally, the sun has made an appearance — just in time for a well-earned break at the end of another busy half term. There have been lots of memorable moments over recent weeks, including the **Year 3/4 Swimming Gala** this week and **EYFS** enjoying their trip to **Stansted Aerozone**.

In **Collective Worship**, we reflected on the story of **Esther** and how **justice often requires courage**. We thought about how speaking up for others or doing the right thing can sometimes feel difficult or scary, but that even **one brave voice can make a real difference**.

We look forward to seeing what next half term brings as we head towards the end of another fantastic school year.

Mr Power

Update from the Office

With the upcoming changes to our parent payment and communication system, and the move to the My Child At School App (MCAS), which is due to go live on **Monday 22nd June 2026**, we kindly ask that you pay close attention to all communications sent from the school office regarding this transition and any instructions you may need to follow.

We greatly appreciate your support and cooperation during this changeover period as we move to our new system.

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Stars of the week

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



- Year 1** - **Edith** for always taking her time to produce beautifully presented work in every subject.
Joshua for showing super perseverance to keep going even when he is finding something tricky.
- Year 2** - **Veronica** for super listening and always being ready to learn.
Richie for fantastic work in subtraction.
- Year 3** - **Albert H** for applying so much time and care into the design and construction of his pneumatic monster!
Jacob PJ for producing a fantastic stop-motion animation!
- Year 4** - **Ralph** for his brilliant diary writing over the last three weeks.
Sam for his great sportsmanhip at the swimming gala.
- Year 5** - **Fred and Millar** for showing fantastic focus and perseverance during maths lessons.
- Year 6** - **Henry H and Addison** for showing great enthusiasm, focus and creativity whilst creating their steampunk robots in Art.

ACHIEVEMENTS around SCHOOL

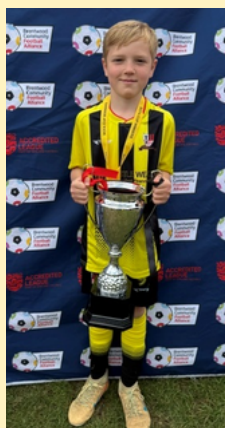


Ruby (Y5) for achieving **Highest Novice Street Score** at **Encore Dance Festival**

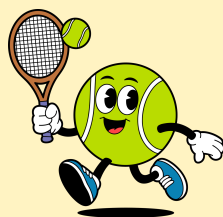
Gracie & Flo (Y2) for achieving **Highest Duet** at **Encore Dance Festival**



Eleanor (Y2) for achieving **Highest Junior Duet** for **Ballet, Gold** for her **Team dance**, and **First Place** for her **Ballet Duet** at **Encore Dance Festival**



Louie (Y4) football team, **Broomfield FC U9 Rangers**, won their cup final last weekend.



Nelson (Y2) for achieving **Crash Course runner Up** at **Danbury L.T.C**

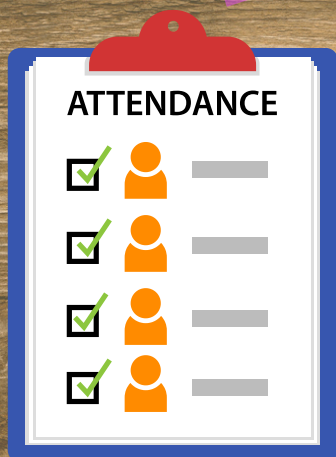


Felix (Y4) for achieving his **Orange Strip** in **Karate-Do**

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Well done to Year 2
96.8% attendance

Whole School - 95.7%

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 David House for
winning this week's
House Cup



Team	Autumn	Spring	Summer	Running total
St Andrew	2	1	1	13094
St David	3	6	4	15015
St George	7	1		13880
St Patrick	1	2	1	13100

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Congratulations to **Alexander** (Y5) who has achieved a whopping **900 day streak**; **Elliot** (Y5) who has hit his **850 day streak** and **Oscar** (Y3) who has achieved his **730 day streak** which means he has now been doodling every day for **TWO YEARS!** Well done also to **Eleanor** (Y2) who has achieved her **550 day streak**; **Clara** (Y2) who has hit her **500 day streak**; **Bertie** (Y2) who has achieved his **450 day streak** and **Gracie** (Y2) who has hit her **400 day streak!**

Well done also goes to **North** (Y2), **Arthur** (Y1) and **Ellius** (Y1) who have hit their **250 day streak**. Last, but by no means least, congratulations to **Oakley** (Y1) who has achieved his **100 day streak!**

So many great achievements- well done everyone!



I am excited to announce that we have **ANOTHER** new **ROCK HERO** this week! Huge congratulations to **Hudson H** (Y4). An amazing achievement!

CONGRATULATIONS to those who continue to be **ROCK HEROES**: **Ezra** and **Isaac** (both Y5); **Henry H, Ben, Lily, Alfie, Seb, George, Theo** and **Jean** (all Y6); and **Rory, Ralph, Logan, Teddy, Evan, Lucas** and **Andrei** (Y4).

We also have 2 new **ROCK LEGENDS!** Congratulations to **Sophia** and **Freya** (both Y4)

Well-done to the following children who have maintained their **ROCK LEGEND** status....

Year 3: Toby, Albert.

Year 4: Cohen, Sam, Freddie, Lily, Savannah, Jude, Alisa, Monty, Lexi-Mae and Louie.

Year 5: Elliot, Leo, Oliver, Hetty, Quinn, Sofia H, Ruby, Anakin, William R, Cassius, Reuben, William S and Fred.

Year 6: Isla, Jess, Jemima, Brody P, Harriet, Lizzy, Harley, Elounda, Emily, Holly, Henry D, Aidan, Freddie, Dexter, Henry S, Rose, Alice and Phoebe.

No change in our top 5 this week: George (Y6), Theo (Y6), Henry H (Y6), Isaac (Y5) and Teddy (Y4).

This week's story and big question

In the news this week...

Last weekend, football teams Manchester City and Chelsea competed in the Men's FA Cup Final at Wembley Stadium. The FA (Football Association) Cup is one of the oldest football competitions in the world, with teams from across England and Wales taking part each year. Millions of people watched the match, supporting their teams and hoping to see them win the famous trophy. For the players, reaching the final is a huge achievement after months of hard work.



**Do we learn more
from winning or
losing?**

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

My opinion



Things to talk about at home...

- Can you think of a time when you won something – what did you learn?
- What about a time you didn't win – what did that teach you?
- In your opinion, why do some people keep trying even after losing?
- Talk together about how you believe we should behave when you lose.



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

Home-cooked hot dinners with locally sourced food for just **£2.70**
 School meals are to be ordered and paid for on ParentPay

WEEK 3

Week 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Buffet Day Warm Baguette with Ham, Grated Cheese, Eggs, Mini Potato Waffles and Salad	Homemade Sausage Roll Potato wedges, Green Beans or Baked Beans	Smoked BBQ Chicken Kebab Rice, Flatbread, Corn on the Cob and Sweet Chilli Sauce	Meat Free Thursday Jacket Potato: Cheese, Tuna, Baked Beans or BBQ Beans Mixed Salad and Coleslaw	100 % Chicken Chunks Chips and Beans or Sweetcorn
Option 2	Buffet Day Warm Baguette with Grated Cheese, Eggs, Mini Potato Waffles and Salad	Cheese & Onion Roll Potato wedges, Green Beans or Baked Beans	Quorn Chicken Dippers Rice, Flatbread, Corn on the Cob and Sweet Chilli Sauce		Quorn Fillet Chips and 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
Option 4	Baguettes: Cheese, Tuna or Ham	Baguettes: Cheese, Tuna or Ham	Baguettes: Cheese, Tuna or Ham	Baguettes: Cheese, Tuna or Ham	Baguettes: Cheese, Tuna or Ham
	Chocolate Ice Cream with Peach Slices	Homemade Vanilla Traybake	Pancakes and Syrup with Banana Slices	Jelly and Peach Slices	Fruit Ice Lollies
Week 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Local Butchers Beef Burger in a Soft Bun Wedges, Sweetcorn and Mixed Salad and optional Cheese Slice	Popcorn Chicken Sweet Chilli Sauce, Noodles, Peas or Sweetcorn	Pepperoni Pizza Salad Bar, Sweetcorn and Coleslaw	Pasta Bolognese Garlic Bread and Mixed Salad	100 % Fish Fingers Chips, Beans or Sweetcorn
Option 2	Veggie Burger in a Soft Bun Wedges, Sweetcorn and Mixed Salad and optional Cheese Slice	Quorn Dippers Sweet Chilli Sauce, Noodles, Peas or Sweetcorn	Cheese Pizza Salad Bar Sweetcorn and Coleslaw	Pasta with a Cheese or Tomato Sauce Garlic Bread and Mixed Salad	Omelette Chips, Beans or Sweetcorn
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	Frozen Yogurt or Smoothie	Homemade Chocolate Cookies with Apple Slices	Strawberry Ice Cream with Peach Slices	Belgian Waffles with Squirry Cream	Eton Mess with Fruit Coulis and Squirry Cream
Week 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Chicken Breast in a Tomato Sauce with a Crispy Nacho Cheese Topping Rice, Garlic Bread and Mixed Sala	Picnic Day Wraps Cheese, Tuna, Ham or Chicken Chipolata Sausages, Carrot and Cucumber Sticks	Pasta and Pepperoni Sauce Garlic Bread and Mixed Salad	Crispy Chicken Burger in a Brioche Bun Lettuce, Mayonnaise, Corn on the Cob and Tortilla Chips	American Hot Dogs in a Soft Bun Chips, Beans or Sweetcorn and Tomato Sauce
Option 2	Quorn in a Tomato Sauce with a Crispy Nacho Cheese Topping Rice, Garlic Bread and Mixed Salad		Pasta and Cheese or Tomato Sauce Garlic Bread and Mixed Sald	Veggie Burger in a Brioche Bun Lettuce, Mayonnaise, Corn on the Cob and Tortillas	Veggie Sausages in a Soft Bun Chips, Beans or Sweetcorn and Tomato Sauce
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	Strawberry Smoothie	Homemade Vanilla Cupcake and Fruit	Homemade Flapjack	Fruit Jelly	Vanilla Ice Cream with Pear Slice

Key Dates 2025-2026

Below are some of the key dates for the upcoming academic year as well as more detailed events for Summer Term 2026.



New dates added in red.

Summer Term 2	
01.06.26	No Dance Club
03.06.26	Year 5 & 6 Swimming Gala
03.06.26	Year 3 - Fitness 3s Event
08.06.26	Year 6 Residential
09.06.26	Year 2 Trip
16.06.26	Choir - JMF
17.06.26	Class Photos
19.06.26	Year 5 Trip

Summer Term 2	
22.06.26	Year 5 Sandon Taster Day
25.06.26	Year 4 Trip
26.06.26	Sports Day
01.07.26	Year 2 Mini Games
02.07.26	Arts Festival
08.07.26	Triathlon
08.07.26	Year 6 Production
17.07.26	Leavers' Service & Last Day
20.07.26	INSET DAY

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