

St John the Baptist C of E (Aided) Primary School

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Dear Families

Children are now settled in school and established routines are in place. Our Reception children started full-time this week and they have been amazing, confidently coming into school and getting into full-time routines. They have had their lunchtime outside with all of the other children. It was lovely to see the children all playing together and siblings looking after their younger brothers and sisters, what better way to demonstrate how we are a family looking after each other.

We have been blessed with a few days of sunshine the last gasps of summer.

Make the most of your weekend.

Jane Sharrock

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

Every Friday in our Celebration Assembly, children have the opportunity to share their achievements out of school. They can bring in trophies, certificates, photographs, medals and share their success with the whole school.



NO DOGS ON GROUNDS

Please can we remind parents and carers not to bring dogs onto the school grounds at any time of the day. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

ADVANCE NOTICE!

The Year 6 Leavers' Service at Chichester Cathedral has been booked for Wednesday 24th June 2026 at 1.30pm.

SAFEGUARDING

To ensure the continued safeguarding of our children, please ensure that you notify the office if there is a change in collection arrangements at the end of the school day. If it is necessary for a different adult to collect a child, the office must be notified in advance.

RECENT CORRESPONDENCE - Please speak to the office if you require copies of recent correspondence.

- Email Year 6 parents Secondary school information
- Y5 & Y6 Basketball tournament (30/9/25)
- Y3 & Y4 Basketball tournament (7/10/25)
- Y1 request for photos

DIARY DATES FOR AUTUMN TERM 2025

Over the weeks, we will add new dates/events in red, so please make sure that you regularly check this list and update your diaries.

SEPTEMBER

Mon 22 September Sing and Sign Club starts – all year groups (3.20 – 4pm)

Tues 23 September Y1 – Y2 Angmering Half Mile (3.45/4pm)

Thurs 25 September Rowan & Redwood Recorder Club starts (3.20 – 4.15pm)
Fri 26 September Ash & Willow Construction Club starts (3.15 – 4.15pm)

Tues 30 September PTA AGM (7.30pm, school hall) – all welcome!

OCTOBER

Thurs 2 October Y5 – Y6 Football and Netball training
Tues 7 October Redwood trip to Mary Rose, Portsmouth

Wed 8 October Open Morning for 2026 Reception visits (9am)

Thurs 9 October Y5 – Y6 Football and Netball training

Fri 10 October Astracolour individual school photos (am)
Wed 15 October Harvest Festival Service – all welcome (9am)

Thurs 16 October Six Weeks In meeting for our new Reception parents – details to follow (9am)

Y5 – Y6 Football and Netball training

Fri 17 October Rowan trip to Brighton Museum

w/c 20 October Year 6 Bikeability training

Mon 20 October Open Afternoon for 2026 Reception visits (1.30pm)

Tues 21 October Y1 – Y6 Parent consultations (3.30 – 6.30pm) – info to follow Wed 22 October Y1 – Y6 Parent consultations (3.30 – 5.30pm) – info to follow

Thurs 23 October Locality football and netball matches

Fri 24 October Parent Forum (2pm)

Last day of half term

Fri 31 October Deadline for secondary school applications

w/c 27 October Half-term holiday

NOVEMBER

Mon 3 November Back to school

Clubs restart this week*

Fri 7 November *No Chelsea Football Club

Sat 8 November PTA Fireworks Night
Thurs 13 November World Kindness Day

Fri 14 November Children in Need fundraising

Wed 19 November Small Schools Football tournament (Y5&Y6)
Mon 24 November Angmering Football tournament (Y5&Y6)

DECEMBER

Mon 1 December Last Sing and Sign Club Fri 5 December Last Construction Club

Sun 7 December Findon Christmas Lights Switch On! – school choir (5pm)

Mon 8 December Last Wannado Street Dance

Tues 9 December Findon Village Walking Nativity (5.30pm tbc)

Fri 12 December Nasal flu vaccinations (pm) – information to follow

Sat 13 December Christmas Carol Concert Arundel Cathedral
Tues 16 December School Carol Service (9am) – all welcome

Fri 19 December Whole school Christmas party lunch – Chartwells meals cancelled

Last day of term

Sun 21 December 9 Lessons and Carols – school choir (pm – tbc)