

**St John the Baptist Cof E (Aided) Primary School, Findon  
NEWSLETTER**

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**DON'T FORGET – 'NO PARKING ON SCHOOL HILL THURSDAYS PLEASE'**

**REMINDER - HARVEST FESTIVAL**

Tomorrow, Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October, we will be celebrating Harvest Festival with the children at school and Reverend Helena Buque will be joining us. Unfortunately, due to Covid restrictions, we have made the decision to have this without parents present.

We have chosen to support Turning Tides - <https://www.turning-tides.org.uk/>, who have provided us with a suggested list of donations. Any donations greatly received.

We would ask that children bring in items on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October please.

Here are some suggestions from Turning Tides:

Tins - corned beef, ham/spam, custard, rice pudding

Drinks – small cartons of juice, squash, coffee

Cleaning – washing up liquid, cleaning wipes, washing powder

**KS2 ANGMERING MILE**

Wow, what a turn out, over 30 children turned up to represent our school. Many congratulations to the girls' team who came 1st overall, with Isla leading them home. The boys came 4th, and William was our first boy back in 2nd place. Brilliant running.

**SCHOOL DRIVEWAY**

For the children's safety please keep them off the wall running up the side of the drive. It is worth pointing out that this is, in fact, the boundary between us and our neighbours, and the area containing trees and shrubs is also part of the neighbour's property.

**SHOE BOX APPEAL – 2021**

Once again, we will be supporting the Mustard Seed Relief Mission with their Shoe Box Appeal – 'Love in a Box'. On Tuesday, Mrs Lax spoke to the children during assembly about the charity and they will be bringing home a leaflet about how you can support the charity if you wish.

## **SIX WEEKS IN – THURSDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER**

The 'Six Weeks in Meeting' is aimed specifically at new parents, but any parents are welcome to come along, particularly those new to the school. We would encourage those parents who had a virtual 'Six Weeks In' meeting last year to come if they are able.

There will be an opportunity to find out about the range of services and activities provided by the school and West Sussex Local Authority, as well as information about our curriculum, focussing on Open Futures, ELLI and myHappymind.

The meeting starts at 9 am, and is scheduled to end by 10 am. We will be sending out a letter about the meeting too.

## **ADVANCE NOTICE – YEAR 6 PARENTS – DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!**

There will be a special service in Chichester Cathedral for children from the Diocese who will be leaving primary school next year. The Leavers' Service for our year 6 children will take place on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2022 at 1.15 pm.

## **SCHOOL HILL – NO PARKING ON THURSDAYS**

For those parents and carers who are new to our school, we'd like to make you aware that we encourage parents/carers to find alternative parking on Thursdays and to avoid using School Hill. We have been doing this for several years as a neighbourly gesture for local residents as it gives them one 'car free' day a week.

Recent correspondence: -

- Email re PTA Bag2School fundraiser – we have plenty of donation bags available at school
- Whole school – Nasal flu vaccinations e-consent letter