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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been something of a **musical week** here at St John's. The week began with children from our Year Three class taking part in a **cluster wide concert**, along with members of Pegasus Opera, at Holy Trinity Church in Streatham. The week has ended with a rehearsal for Year Four, to which children from Friar's Primary were invited, to prepare for the Thames Festival in September. Our children sang and performed beautifully at both events and we are very proud of them all!

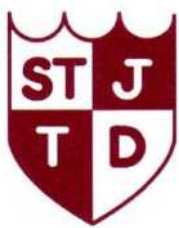
### Save our School - An update

We were informed on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June that the informal consultation on the proposed merger has been extended until **Sunday 18th August 2024**. The extension, whilst not ideal, gives us the opportunity to strengthen our campaign. Our Chair of Governors, Peter Truesdale, will be in touch early next week to share further ways in which you can get involved and help save our school!

**Below is a summary of the learning that has taken place across the school this week.**

Early Years	
The children in Nursery have enjoyed reading 'Little Turtles' this week and those in Reception have loved hearing all about 'The Snail on the Whale'. Reception enjoyed making their own books all about whales and even created their own whales out of egg cartons! Nursery also went on their own 'Bear Hunt' around the school.	
Year One	
This week in Year One, it has been another week of fantastic learning. In English, we continued our work on 'The Lonely Beast'. The children created a missing poster for the beast and wrote him a letter asking him to come back. In Connected Curriculum, we were continuing looking at animals, and the children had the chance to draw one of their favourite animals. In RE this week we learnt about the lost sheep and the children drew a picture from the story and wrote down the meaning of this parable for them. Overall, it's been a great week for Year One - the children have worked so hard!	
Year Two	
This week in Year Two, we have been consolidating our learning on statistics. This week, children were introduced to block diagrams to represent data, followed by pictograms. In science, we have learned about the planets and how they orbit the sun.	
Year Three	Year Four
Year Three had a busy week! On Monday, many of us took part in the 'This Little Light concert' at Holy Trinity Church. We sang beautifully, and we want to thank parents for coming to watch us sing and for collecting us after the concert. On Friday, we performed our class assembly, celebrating the learning we have done this year. In English, we have been writing diary entries using conjunctions and emotion words. In maths, we are continuing our unit on time.	This week in Year Four we have completed our multiplication check. The children have worked hard and I am pleased that they have all tried their best and showed great determination. In English, we have begun planning our narratives. We have discussed the model of the story mountain as well as the importance of character development. We have also been preparing for our cricket tournament in Burgess Park. The children are beginning to recognise the importance of fielding as a team instead of individuals. In science, we have built simple electrical circuits with bulbs, buzzers and batteries.
Year Five	
This week in Year Five we have been writing our Newspaper reports on 'The Lady of Shalott'. The children have reported on what happened, who it happened to and why it happened. The children are confident in using fronted adverbials and relative clauses in order to make their writing cohesive, alongside embedding quotes from eyewitnesses. In maths the children have been learning about symmetry and have been reflecting shapes on vertical, horizontal and diagonal lines.	
Year Six	
In Year Six, especially in English, we have dived back into writing after a short hiatus due to the SATs. We have thoroughly enjoyed	





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creating a warning story inspired by *The London Eye Mystery*, as well as a newspaper report. In Maths, we have started to design and create cupcake boxes for our 'bakeries'. We used the volume of a cupcake to create accurate nets for our cupcake cubes. In our French lessons, we have started to plan a holiday to a French speaking country as we look at the variety of countries which speak the language and learn about the location and climate of holiday destinations. We have also been continuing to learn about Early Christians in Re and how they spread the Christian Message. In science, we are continuing to look at Evolution and fossils, especially the work of Mary Anning.

### Head Teacher awards were presented to the following children in this week's celebration assembly.

EYFS	Well done to Zahra for sharing her great ideas with her class. Because of Zahra's brilliant imagination, Nursery made a lovely story during 'Tales Toolkit'. Great job Zahra! Well done to Luqman for listening so well during our lessons this week. Luqman sat very nicely, shared his ideas with the class and listened when Miss Conway was talking. Well done Luqman!
Year One	Neveah-Rose for her dedication in phonics and English lessons throughout the week and for the patience and maturity she has shown since coming back from half-term. Damien for always listening carefully to Ms. Hickey's instructions and for the care and attention to detail shown during drawing and painting lessons.
Year Two	Astrid for working independently in maths this week and adopting a growth mindset within her learning. Keaun for trying his best and always being ready to learn.
Year Three	Komari for showing goodness to those around him in class, trying to help others and thinking of their feelings. Maissa for paying close attention to teaching in our maths units on time and money, and for helping those in his learning groups
Year Four	Aziz for rehearsing his times tables over the half term break. Amarey for becoming more independent with his writing in class
Year Five	Rosetta for coming back from the half term holidays with an abundance of energy and enthusiasm towards her learning. Rosetta is demonstrating that she is listening carefully to information in the lessons by consistently answering questions correctly - well done Rosetta - Keep it up! Caiden for showing fantastic sportsmanship skills during our PE lesson. Caiden was eager to cheer on his team mates and showed his ability to constructively support his team mates if they faced challenges in the game. Well done Caiden - Keep it up!
Year Six	Michelle for producing an engaging and entertaining diary entry Chris for showing improvement on his listening skills in lessons and taking care to follow instructions accurately.

The house point totals for this week are:

 <b>GARRISON</b>	44	 <b>AUGUSTINE</b>	19
 <b>FRANKLIN</b>	28	 <b>DICKENS</b>	40

On a final note, next week is **Assessment Week** and we will be holding the final **Spelling Bee** of the academic year.

Kind regards

Mrs Warland

Head Teacher

