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Dear Parents and Carers,

A big thank you to you all for the wonder that was our **International Summer Fair** last Friday! It was great to see so many embrace the theme and come dressed in country colours, sharing traditional foods – there were some delicious dishes. Well done to our newly formed PTA for all their efforts – they did a great job at bringing everything together and we are looking forward to their support at our next big event – Sports day!

Today your child has come home with their **end of year report**. The report, taken from a new assessment system, will share with you your child's successes over the year and areas that they need to work on in readiness for the new academic year. You all have the opportunity in our **Open Evenings** next week to discuss the report with your child's class teacher. If you have not yet made an appointment, worry not there is still time. Contact Ms Farruggio in the front office to arrange.

A date for your diary – following on from the success of the last session, Peter will be heading out door-knocking on the evening of **Wednesday 17th July** to gather more support for our **Save the School** campaign. If you would like to join us, we will be heading off from school at **6pm**. The more of us that head out the greater the ground we can cover!

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

Early Years

It has been a fishy week in Early Years! The children in Nursery enjoyed reading 'Tiddler the story telling fish' and Reception loved reading 'Blob Fish'. Following on from the reading, the children in Reception enjoyed making their own crab art and Nursery enjoyed creating their own story and making their own octopuses. We also enjoyed the first of our 'Stay and Play' sessions, with our new classmates coming to visit.

Year One

In English this week we have been reading 'Brown bear's picnic.' The children have been demonstrating their understanding of the story through answering comprehension questions and they also looked closely at speech in the story, identifying who said what to whom! In maths the children have been learning about time, with a focus on the days of the week and months of the year. And, finally, in RE the children read the story of the Good Samaritan and thought about how the different people acted and what we would have done had we been on the road to Jericho.

Year Two

This week in Year Two we have been as busy as bees in Year Two! In maths we have been working hard to develop our understanding of partitioning and we have been partitioning numbers of different sizes. It was tricky to start with but we've got the hang of it now. In English we have been looking at a range of writing and we wrote our own riddles – giving the reader cryptic clues to help them guess what our poems were about. In RE we have been thinking about God and what people mean when they say 'made in God's image'. And, finally, in PE we have been getting ready for next week's big event – Sports Day!

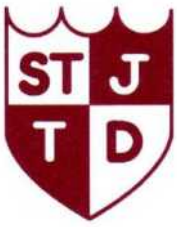
Year Three

This week, Year Three have been writing persuasive letters. The children chose an issue that they would really like to change and then used their most powerful persuasive language in the letters. In maths, we completed our unit on time and had an introduction to our next unit: shape! In science, we took a very close and somewhat mucky look at soil to discover whether we were handling sandy soil, loam or clay. In RE, we studied the story of Ruth and thought about the sacrifices that she made for friendship.

Year Four

This week in Year Four we have had an incredibly busy week. We have edited and published our narratives, in which we are the main characters and we conquer evil! In maths, we have learnt about regular and irregular polygons and the names of different 2-D shapes. We then studied symmetry and noticed that lines of symmetry do not always need to be vertical and horizontal. As well as this, we visited the British Museum for the Sutton Hoo Tablet Tour. The children loved inferring who the person could be that was buried with all those items.





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Year Five

This week in Year Five, we have focused on adding and subtracting decimals using the column method. In Connected Curriculum, the children created a timeline of significant inventions from the Industrial Revolution, detailing who made them, when they were made, and providing descriptions of each invention. Additionally, they developed their own PowerPoint presentations on the Industrial Revolution, incorporating numerous facts, cool slide transitions, and video links!




Year Six

This week in Year Six we have been furiously practising for our end of year production including thinking about and creating props, costumes and writing programmes. We have also continued to explore the Christian Message in RE looking at the Sacrament of Confirmation and sharing our experiences of baptism and confirming faith. We have also had a visitor to teach us RSE lessons in PSHE.

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

EYFS	The Reception class for their wonderful performances in the class assembly – we are so proud of you!
Year One	Ademide for taking responsibility for his actions and saying sorry when he needed to Glory for showing Goodness to others – she has made a fantastic start to life here at St John's
Year Two	Sodiq for showing a more thoughtful and considerate manner towards others in the playground Uthmaan for his quick thinking, rapid maths recall!
Year Three	Matthew for his impressive progress in swimming lessons. Semilore for working hard to tell the time on an analogue clocks.
Year Four	Titan for reading more, out loud, in class and becoming more independent with his writing. Adelicia for planning such an imaginative story in English
Year Five	Charlie for an excellent performance in our rounders match, demonstrating fantastic catching, throwing and batting skills whilst getting out many members of the opposing team!
Year Six	Vienna for displaying dedication to her role in the Year Six production thinking about costume and learning her lines. Michelle for showing great listening skills in lessons and contributing more to class discussions

The house point totals for this week are:

 GARRISON	21	 AUGUSTINE	23
 FRANKLIN	22	 DICKENS	22

On a final note, next **Wednesday 10th July is Sports Day**. You will have seen the letter sent home on early in the week – you are all invited to join in the fun and cheer the children on!

Kind regards

Mrs Warland
Head Teacher

