

St John's Primary School Newsletter

20th January 2023

Dear Parents,

Our termly topic plans are now all on the website—you can find the link to the page here [Medium Term Topic Plans – St John's Primary School \(stjohnswallingford.org.uk\)](https://stjohnswallingford.org.uk). I hope you have had a chance to look at what your child will be learning in school this term. As always, if any parent has any expertise linked to our topics, please do get in touch as we would be pleased to hear from you and always enjoy having visitors in school.

Foundation Stage and Year 6 parents should now have received a letter via email regarding the weighing and measuring programme taking place on 10th February with instructions on what to do if you would prefer your child not to take part.

You will be aware that the NEU teachers union have voted in favour of strike action and there are a number of strike days planned over the next two months. The first of these is Wednesday 1st February. Teachers are under no obligation to inform their employer of their decision to strike, but many will do so. Once we know more about how many teachers intend to take strike action, we will communicate with you again to let you know whether school will be open as normal and any alternative arrangements that have been made. I appreciate that parents will be keen to know what the impact might be so that they can make childcare arrangements if needed and we will aim to communicate with you about this as soon as possible.

A team of Year 5 and 6 pupils took part in a Sportshall Athletics competition at Wallingford School this week and represented St John's brilliantly. They didn't win this time but well done to the children for super teamwork and thanks to Ms Beckett for taking them to the event.

Foundation Stage, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 4 all enjoyed being scientists at Science Oxford exploring the activities and watching the shows. You can see some photographs from the trips in this newsletter. We have had lots of other fantastic learning taking place this term and we look forward to sharing it with you on 8th February.

Kind Regards,

Nicky Hughes

Upcoming dates :

Tuesday 7th February—Governor Day—governors visit school for the day

Wednesday 8th February—Open Afternoon for parents

Friday 10th February—Foundation Stage and Year 6 weighing and measuring—School Nurse Team

Friday 10th February—last day of Term 3

Monday 13th—Friday 17th February—Half Term

Week beginning 27th February—Parent Teacher Interviews

Australia

Year 3 are learning all about Australia this term and this has included some fabulous Aboriginal style Art!



Musical parents

We are looking for any musical parents or family members who would be willing to come and play for the children in assembly—just as a one off! Please let us know if you might be able to come in and help us extend our children's knowledge and understanding of different instruments and musical styles.

Value of the fortnight

Tolerance



Wallingford Food Bank

Do please contact us if you would like to access support from the Food Bank. We can provide vouchers for our families who need them.

Our Sportshall Athletics Team





Science Oxford

