



St John's Angell Town News
23rd June 2017

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We are a Christian School committed to working together to be a welcoming caring community where everyone reaches their high levels of achievement, feels valued, has confidence in their abilities and acts responsibly towards others.

Head Teacher's Address (Grenfell Fire)

Dear parents / Carers
Thank you for your response following the request for donations for the victims of the Grenfell Tower fire. We will update you in the next newsletter as to the amount raised. I can rest assure you that all the distressing events that have taken place of late have been very sensitively addressed with the children. If however, this is still causing anxiety with your child, please do not hesitate to contact the school for further support. Thank you for your on-going support of the school.

LOST PROPERTY

At this time of year, the mountain of lost property seems to get bigger by the day as children remove their jumpers and coats and leave them in the playgrounds. Please ensure that all clothing is labelled with your child's name. When washing school uniform please can, you check the labels to see if your child has brought their own clothing home and not someone else's. Please also check the lost property box for lost items after school in the playground. Thank you.

Coping in the hot weather

Thank you to all Parents who responded to the schools requests relating to the heatwave.

We are happy to report that there were no children who were adversely affected by the unseasonable weather conditions.

No sweet & Gum policy

A number of children have been seen to be coming to school with packets of sweets / gums in their bags and pockets. This contradicts our aim to encourage healthy eating. Please ensure your child does not attend school with these items.

RAMADAN

We wish our Muslims families a peaceful end to Ramadan and a happy EID on either Sunday or Monday.

UNIFORMS

We say thank you to all for your continued support, and it is delightful to see most of our pupils dressed in their full school uniform! Please be mindful that school shoes are very much part of the school uniform and that BLACK TRAINERS do not qualify as school shoes. If for any reason your child is not able to wear a full school uniform on a day, please inform the school office in advance.

Children in nursery and Reception should have Velcro shoes.

SCHOOL STARTS at 8:55am

Good attendance and punctuality underpin good education: if children are not at school or miss parts of lessons they cannot successfully access the curriculum offered. Establishing good time-keeping habits early in life is also good preparation for secondary school and for adult life when individuals are increasingly responsible for their own timekeeping.

We will continue to focus on punctuality this term from Nursery to Year 6, as there are a number of children who are arriving to school after 8:55am. In order for our children to reach their full potential, it is important that they attend school every day and are punctual no matter their age.

School procedures will support the borough's policy on attendance and we will continue to work closely with families and the Education Welfare Officer to promote good attendance and punctuality.

Thank you for your support in these matters and I trust you will help

Pick Up at the end of the day

The number of children not being picked up on time at the end of the day is increasing. School is not insured beyond 3:45pm to look after your children unless they are in a club.

The school policy on lateness is to issue a £5 fine and the school will robustly be enforcing this policy.

To avoid incurring a fine for late pick up, please ensure your child is picked up on time, that is no later than 3:45pm

Attendance figures for last Week

Nursery	Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
95%	80%	99%	96%	96%	96%	95%	98%

Family Support

We have been fortunate to have links with an organisation called 'Options for Change' who will be available to see parents every Friday from 1.30pm – 3.30pm. Please read the information below and contact the school office if you would like to meet the *Options for Change* representative.

FUNDRAISING:

Please support year 5 and 6 with their fundraising activities this term. They will have a mufti day every Friday parents are asked to please contribute a £1

TOP TIPS FOR HELPING YOUR CHILD AT HOME

What can I do at home with my child?

1. Read with your child EVERY day, even if it is only for 5 minutes.
2. Create a quiet, special place in your home for your child to read. Keep books and other reading materials where your child can easily reach them.
3. Help your child see that reading is important. Set a good example for your child by reading books, newspapers and magazines.
4. Limit the amount and type of television you and your child watch. Better yet, turn off the television and spend more time cuddling and reading books with your child.
5. Make reading a part of your everyday life – signs and print in the world around us.
6. Encourage your child to read by showing an interest in what they are reading and what they have to say. Discuss the book your child is reading with them.
7. PRAISE your child for their reading and celebrate their reading successes.

Useful WEBSITES to help you help your child with their reading:

v www.wordsforlife.co.uk, www.booktrust.co.uk, www.oxfordowl.co.uk

v www.ruthmiskinliteracy.com, www.phonicsplay.co.uk, www.ictgames.co.uk

v www.phonics.lgfl.org.uk

SUMMER FAYRE RAFFLE:

1st Prize: 64G IPAD

2nd Prize: 32G IPAD

Please be reminded to continue to sell your raffle tickets and hand in the stubs to the office.

A plea to all Parents to volunteer your services on the day of summer fayre or beforehand. Please let the office know your availability to help.

If you would like to hire a table for the Summer Fayre please contact the school office.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Brixton Beach Welcome Party (ST John's Angell Town new to Reception Class September 2017)

Thursday 29th June (2pm)

Brixton Beach Welcome Party (ST John's Angell Town: new & current children staying in Nursery

September 2017) Thursday 6th July (2pm)

Summer Fayre

Saturday 8th July

St Johns Primary Got Talent

Friday 7th July 2017

Year 6 Graduation

Thursday 13th July (6pm to 8pm)

Inclusion Quality Mark assessment

Trip to Broadstairs

Friday 14th July (Reception & Nursery classes)

Year 6 Prom

Wednesday 19th July (5:30 to 7pm)

School Leavers

Thursday 20th July 9:30am

Last day of term

Thursday 20th July