



We have great pleasure in announcing that Mrs Shepherd and her husband are expecting their second baby! The baby is due to arrive in August and we wish them all the best as they plan their journey as a family of four.

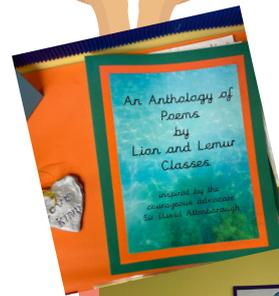


THANK YOU

We are sure you have spotted the beautiful Spring flowers that have been popping up around the school grounds, bringing lots of colour to our lovely school. Many thanks to Mrs Haynes and the EcoClub.



Courageous Advocates



All the children have been learning about their Year group's chosen Courageous Advocate this half term. Here is the beautiful display we have set up to celebrate them.



ST. JOHN'S COURAGEOUS ADVOCATE ACTS

Inspired by their Courageous Advocates, the children have been raising money for good causes and mirroring their good deeds in the local community. Year 2 organised a sponsored walk whilst Year 4 brought awareness with 'toilet twinning'. Year 5 planted bulbs at a local care home and Year 6 organised litter picking around Shirley. Reception classes collected food for Shrublands food bank whilst Year 1 wrote and performed their own speeches in class. Year 3 are busy preparing their 'Malala' boxes! Thank to all parents/carers and friends and family for your support.



TREMENDOUS FUNDRAISING

A HUGE well done to Amelia in Lion class for completing an amazing 5k swim and raising a total of £3400 for GOSH! What an incredible achievement!! Amelia would like to thank all those who supported her.



SUMMER TERM

After school clubs



Bookings will open on Weduc at 4.30pm on Friday 8th April . Please ensure you secure a place for your child as we operate a first-come first-served basis. It will **not be** necessary to rebook if your child already attends Y5/6 Netball (Wednesdays), Year 5/6 Football (Thursdays) or Choir. Some changes have been made for next term. Year 3 and 4 have now been combined for Football Club (Wednesdays) and 'Outdoor Games' will be available for Years 3/4 on Tuesdays.



THANK YOU TO THE SJSA

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The SJSA have recently purchased new playground equipment for the children. They also successfully organised the Discos which were thoroughly enjoyed by all Year groups. Thank you for all their enthusiasm and continued support for the school.

STRIPES NOT CHECKS

Remember!

As we approach the Summer Term please check the school uniform policy, in particular, please remember that summer dresses **must be striped** and not checked. We realise these dresses can be harder to find so we recommend shopping at M&S or look out for the SJSA 'nearly new' uniform sales. Thank you!



NEW SUMMER MENU PLANNER

In order to encourage children to eat more variety, we have amended the menu so that there is only one alternative option each day, which will be either jacket potato or tomato pasta, rather than both. We have found that a large number of children have been choosing the same meal option every day. We will keep this under review but the children will still have the choice of three main meal options.



Diary Dates

EASTER BREAK:
Fri 8 April
to Fri 22 April

SUMMER TERM 1:
Mon 25 April to Fri 27 May

BANK HOLIDAY:
Mon 2 May

HALF TERM:
Mon 30 May to
Fri 3 June

SUMMER TERM 2:
Mon 6 June
to Fri 22 July

Fri 24th June 2022
INSET DAY

Mon 27th June 2022
ADDITIONAL BANK HOLIDAY

INSET DAYS:
Thursday 1 & Friday 2
September

AUTUMN TERM BEGINS:
Mon 5th Sep

CLASS COLLECTIVE WORSHIP DATES

We are pleased to be able to resume Class Collective Worship once again. You are welcome to attend your child's worship as this is an important part of our ethos. Please see below for some upcoming dates:

LEMUR - Fri 6th May **DOLPHIN - Fri 20th May**
DRAGONFLY - Fri 13th May **TOUCAN - Fri 27th May**



MESSY CHURCH

Southwark Cathedral does 'Messy Science!' - There is going to be a free Messy Church event at the cathedral on Saturday May 14th. To find out more about this event and to book a space click [here](#).



RED SCARF - GOOD BEHAVIOUR AWARD

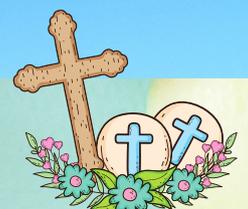
Well done to the following pupils who have recently been awarded the Red Scarf Behaviour Award! Parents/Carers of children who have been awarded the Red Scarf can collect their **FREE** hot drink from our Olive Branch Café!

Hayley - BEAR
Naomi - LEMUR
Ibrahim - PANDA



PRAYER

Father God, we give you praise for everything that is new and beautiful, for everything which holds promise and brings us happiness. Bless us as we spend this Easter with our loved ones and embrace ourselves with the joys of Spring. We thank you. Amen.



What animal am I?

This is my riddle about an amazing animal
What could it be?
Follow the clues and see!

This animal has fur on its body
And its colour is black
This animal has 2 feet,
It likes bananas to eat.
In a tree is where it lives.
Its favourite thing to do is eat
This animal has 2 ears
It makes o o o o sounds for you to hear.

Are you an animal whiz?
Have you guessed what it is?
It is a monkey.

James S, age 4, Dolphin class

All about me!

Hi, my name is Mia,
I know I'm pretty
weird,
But this is me!

I play Security Breach
every week
Sometimes I'm crazy
but mostly lazy.
But this is me!

Amazing acting,
Mindful moments
But this is me!

Well now you know
me! Au revoir!
(Goodbye!)

**Mia, age 9,
Polar Bear class**

Emotions

I'm filled with a rainbow,
Emotions that glow
Different sides of me,
What shall it be?

I could be red,
With a hot head,
Shallow and rude
Hot tempered and crude.

I could be yellow,
Bright like a meadow.
Shiny like the sun,
Cheerful is what I've
become.

I could be blue,
Without a clue.
Liking I'm sinking,
Out the tears with blinking.

I could be pink,
As clear as ink.
All I show is love,
Compassion just needs a
shove.

Who am I?

**Melissa, age 10,
Lion class**

I am an engaged gamer,
A great goalkeeper,
A listening uncle.
Who is this?

I am a swift swimmer,
A dog lover,
A caring grandson.
Who is this?

I am a daring drummer,
A musical boy,
People hear me, they
enjoy.
Could this be....

I love my family,
I am a loving son,
I love to play with my
friends, it is fun.
This is me.

**Clement-Junior, age
10, Lemur class**

This is me: Resisting tourettes

Tick, Tick, Tick
Off you go having fun make sure to
stay calm
Using tablets every night
Resisting tourettes
Enough annoying sounds
Taught to be kind
Tourettes doesn't harm you
Enough annoying sounds
Sporty me

This is me!

Alfie, age 9, Penguin class

This is me: I have a dream

I have a dream to be...
A doctor, helpful and smart
A gymnast flexible and fun
A ballet dancer graceful and gleaming
I have a dream...

To play violin
To join an orchestra and sing
I have one more dream
Just to be me.
This is me.

Rhema, age 8, Turtle class

This is me

Family carer
World saver
Justice server
Animal saver
Egyptian discoverer
Mind reader
Calm gamer
Chapter book reader
Maths solver
Money saver
Remembering others
This is me!

Mason, age 7, Toucan class



This is me

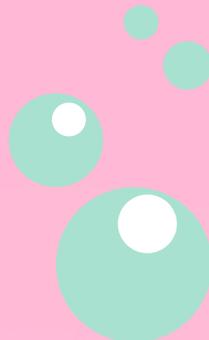
A girl with Malteser round eyes
With 3 unnoticeable birthmarks
On top of my glossy lips and
On the side of my thick black eyebrow
But that isn't all of me.

I am a kind, thoughtful
Early riser who loves to
Daydream a lot and
Who loves to see the
Summer glaze
Descend my favourite place to be is
Devon
Where all the peaceful birds are but
This still isn't all of me.



I am a scent lover
Who plays
Netball, who's favourite
Position is GS and
A dancer who loves
TikTok and
Acting

One of my favourite movies is Spiderman No way home
Who's favourite character is Tom Holland
But this still isn't all of me!



I love to go home on a Friday night
To have a bubble bath and do
All my homework while listening
To music glad that school is
Over.
This is me!

Gloria, age 10, Panda class



**We wish all the St. John's community
a wonderful and restful Easter break.**

