

St John's School Weekly Newsletter

#### Playing and learning in the Pre-Prep





This edition of The Lamb showcases creativity in Art, DT&E and Music; teamwork in our very successful charity waffle sale and challenge and perseverance on the football pitch. Our youngest boys have settled happily into their new routines in the Pre-Prep – it is a pleasure to watch them thriving. Junior boys are making the most of all the extra-curricular clubs on offer, spending time with friends while they develop new skills and confidence. Senior boys are focused and engaged in their academic studies and enthusiastic about all their learning opportunities. Prep School boys from Years 3 to 8 have enjoyed a feast of football fixtures, both home and away. We are particularly proud of our Under 11A team who secured an impressive second place in the MTP Football Tournament: football is going from strength to strength at St John's. We are all looking forward to welcoming our Pre-Prep and Junior parents into School for Parents' Meetings next week and prospective families to our Open Morning next Wednesday morning. Have a lovely weekend!



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**Open Morning** Wednesday 9 October 2024 www.st-johns.org.uk



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#### Wonderful waffles

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Liam, Niam and their Year 8 helpers held a really successful charity waffle sale on Thursday. There were smiles all round School on a sunny October break-time. as the boys enjoyed their special treat. We are delighted to report that the boys raised over £170 for our School charity, City Harvest and to support the 3rd Pinner Scout group.



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#### Practical learning in PSHE

Year 5 devised their own games as they explored rewards and consequences in their PSHE lesson this week.











Year 5 boys chat with Year 6 boys in peer mentoring



The Iron Man freeze frame



Delicious waffles!



Year 3 share ideas with Ms GIllen in their Art lesson





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Nursery boys have been looking at colourful rainbows this week as part of their colours topic. They have enjoyed experimenting with colour, exploring on the light table and singing songs. The perfectly timed combination of rain and sun on Wednesday gave us the opportunity of seeing rainbows in real life at home and at School.















#### Nursery life













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## Reception life



















Year 1 have been developing their painting and colour mixing skills. This week they were inspired by Jackson Pollock's drip paintings.















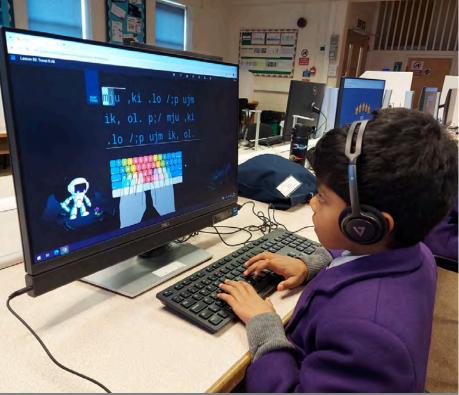
#### Junior clubs are so much fun

We offer a well-rounded range of extra-curricular activities to our Junior boys, that encourage creativity, teamwork, and skill development. From sports like football, badminton and fencing, to intellectual challenges in chess, public speaking and creative writing, the boys have plenty of options to explore. The touch typing and cookery clubs focus on practical skills that will benefit them in the future, while the Movie Appreciation Club allows them to enjoy films and even act out their favourite scenes, this week in the forest area. These clubs not only promote fitness and fun but also offer valuable opportunities for personal growth and learning.









Year 3 & 4 Touch Typing Club



Year 3 & 4 Creative Writing Club



Hogarth from The Iron Man movie





#### Tiger Tiger, burning bright

Year 3 have been drawing tigers inspired by Henri Rousseau's painting, "Surprised! (Tiger in a Tropical Storm)." They thought about the foreground, middle ground and the background and used mixed media to create these stunning effects. Finally, they outlined their tigers very carefully. You can see the painting that inspired the boys in the National Gallery in London.





### Celebrating our wonderful brass players

Our talented Year 4 brass players thoroughly enjoyed showcasing their instruments in class music lessons this week. We are also very proud of the Advanced Brass Quintet, who are going from strength-to-strength in their ensemble rehearsals. They are working on challenging music with both Mr Hodes and Mr Gathercole.









#### Developing skills in the DT&E workshop

St John's boys are challenged to acquire expert skills in the DT&E workshop in order to explore use their creativity. Whether printing fabric, designing cool characters using expert sewing skills, using the scroll saw or using a glue gun to create a prototype marble run, the boys have the skills they need to achieve their vision.







#### A fantastic result for our U11A team

The U11A team secured an impressive second place in the MTP Football Tournament, with strong performances throughout. Despite a narrow draw against MTP (conceding a last-minute equalizer while pushing for a second goal) and a loss to eventual winners Edge Grove, the boys bounced back with strong wins against Berkhamsted and Manor Lodge. Aikam was named Man of the Tournament, with standout performances from Lorenzo and Lucas, whose saves were crucial. The team and parents were thrilled, especially after building on Friday's victory over St Martin's. Great effort all around!









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### St John's Fireworks Night Thursday 7th November



Food served from 5:15pm Fireworks Display starts at 7pm

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Pumpkin Competition Bonfire

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Mulled wine, Hot Chocolate stalls & Crepes VEGAN<br/>BurgerJumbo Chicken Hot<br/>Dog (Halal)

Food served with chips

and a drink

Child £12 Adult £14

**Tickets** 

**Tickets include food and a drink**