

St John's School Weekly Newsletter

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The 9th Annual St John's Putter





Children enjoyed learning around our beautiful grounds this week. We were delighted to welcome all the families who came to support their sons in the hotly contested St John's Putter competition on Wednesday. House cricket was as competitive as ever, and St John's staff also enjoyed our annual match against Merchant Taylors'. Year 7 boys have been measuring populations of the various species that are in bloom in our beautiful new wildflower meadow, while Lambs have been listening to stories under the Oak Tree, and Owls learning about senses and textures in our Wellbeing Garden.

Continuing the floral theme, the Pre-Prep boys planted a dazzling array of hanging baskets to contribute to the TFL "in Bloom" initiative at Northwood Hills underground station. Older boys enjoyed their French lesson outdoors when ex-

Arsenal football coach Steve Eadon came to school to talk about careers with languages and coached a football game in French on the astro. Year 7 have presented their IPQ projects and thoroughly enjoyed a day exploring the HS2 engineering project on location.

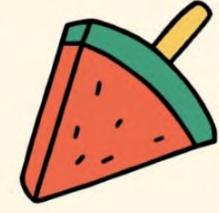
The next and final edition of The Lamb for this academic year will be published on the last day of term. In the meantime, I look forward to seeing you all at Fun Day on Sunday.

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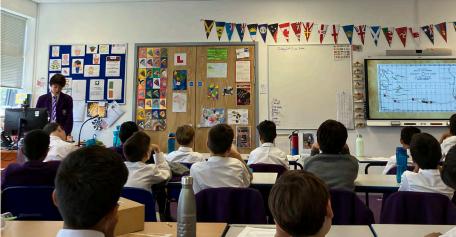
Year 7 impressed with high quality IPQs

Our Year 7 boys completed their IPQs this week. The standard of work was exceptional, and the boys should be justifiably proud of their efforts. We were treated to a variety of outcomes, including (but not limited to) a rap song about the destruction of Pompeii; a simulated eruption of Mount

Vesuvius, replicas of a discus and a Roman sword; and several stellar presentations on various aspects of the Ancient World. The boys have worked incredibly hard throughout the process, and the outstanding presentations and outcomes are testament to their focus and commitment. Well done, Year 7!















Our amazing new wildflower meadow

Year 7 boys have been studying our new wildflower meadow, using quadrats to measure the populations of the various species that are blooming. They had to measure the total area with a trundle wheel and then carry out random sample counts using a quadrat, which had to be thrown into the air and wherever it landed they counted the number of flowers in the quadrat!













Bon effort, les gars!

On Monday, boys in Year 7 and 8 were visited by ex-Arsenal football coach Steve Eadon. Steve first spoke about his experience with learning languages at school and university, which gave him the opportunity to travel around the world and work with high profile players. The boys learnt about the

different careers in sport where knowing a language is useful and the different opportunities learning a language affords you. The second part of the morning involved all boys having a practical football session, which was instructed in French. Bon effort, les gars!













Junior Maths Challenge

Well done to Yuvraj and Ayaan who both achieved a merit certificate in the Junior Maths Challenge Kangaroo bonus round.





Maths out and about

Year 7 **have** been out and about around the school using Pythagoras to work out the length of disabled ramps for different sets of stairs around the school







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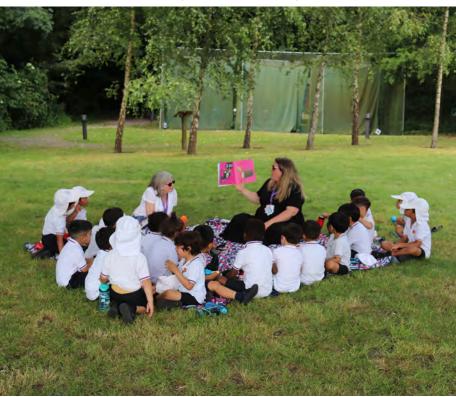




Under the oak tree

The Lambs enjoyed a sunny afternoon in our beautiful grounds. They sat in the shade of the oak tree, read stories and watched the Under 9 boys play House cricket. The picnic and the cricket brought two brothers together!











Bee Happy!
The Robins and Squirrels have visited the bee hives in the St John's grounds this week. Mr Lawrence is our expert beekeeper and he taught us all about the parts of the hive and how he looks after these wonderful creatures. The boys kept very calm and quiet and even saw the precious queen bee! Keep working little bees....the honey is yummy!















Green fingers in the Pre-Prep

This week, our Pre-Prep showed off their green fingers by planting a dazzling array of hanging baskets for display at Northwood Hills underground station. St John's was thrilled to join the TFL initiative 'In Bloom' at the invitation of local residents, who are gearing up for the competition. Judging is just around the corner. Well done to the boys for creating such a vibrant display!





A magical mystery trip for Year 2 The Badgers and Eagles had a fantastic time at adventure golf for their surprise trip. They really enjoyed having a pizza

delivery and fizzy drinks for lunch!.







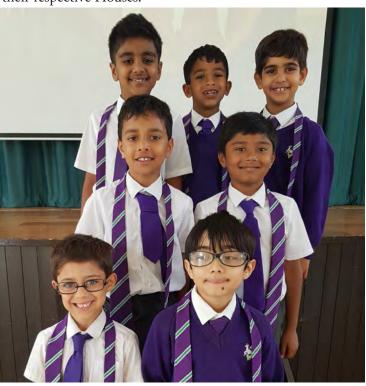


Year 2 are presented with their House ties In assembly today, our Year 2 boys were very excited to find boys try to gain the coveted House Active

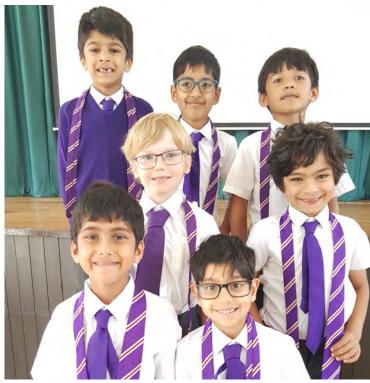
In assembly today, our Year 2 boys were very excited to find out which House they will join in September. At St John's we have four Houses, Lincoln, Lawrence, Oates and Churchill and there is much healthy competition between them as

boys try to gain the coveted House Activities Cup and the Burton Page Cup at the end of the year. As you can see, these enthusiastic new recruits are only going to be an asset to their respective Houses.





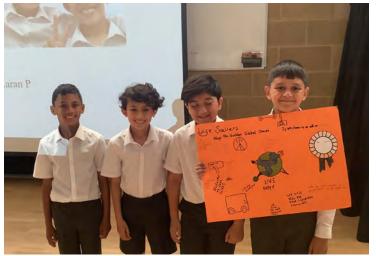




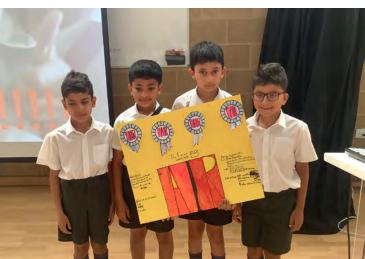


Celebrating Our Junior General Election

This week, the Year 4 boys took a significant step in understanding democracy through our Junior General Election project. To bring the election to life, the boys have formed their own political parties and have written their party's manifesto. In a delightful assembly, the party leaders confidently gave a speech to other boys, hoping to win their votes on 4th July.















Orchestral morning

Boys from First and Second Orchestra, alongside boys who play an orchestral instrument in Year 3 came together to perform Yellow Submarine to mark Global Beetles Day on Wednesday. Younger boys enjoyed collaborating with older musicians and they all gave a super performance. If your son is interested in learning an instrument in September, please get in touch with Mr Corin.











Sharing our music making with the local community

Instrumentalists performed to residents at Haven Residential Care Home this week. The boys enjoyed talking with residents and bringing music to their day.











In the Art Studio this week

Portrait time in the art room this week. Can you guess who the dogs are?















Emphasising engineering

Year 7 boys thoroughly enjoyed a day exploring the engineering project HS2, learning about the construction and building of this large scale piece of engineering. They asked very informative questions.











Power tool practise in the DT&E Lab











The 9th Annual St John's Putter

The 9th Annual St John's Putter took place this week on a beautiful summer afternoon. Eighteen boys from Years 6 to 8 took part and many of their families came to support them. The tournament had a lovely school community feel. Congratulations to our winning pair, James L (following in the footsteps of older brother George) and Aary who won by 18 strokes, just missing out on equalling the School record. They completed a bogey free round which is very impressive indeed!













Senior House cricket was hotly contested















Year 4 House cricket was a scorcher

The Year 4 boys started their House Cricket matches in the blistering heat. The match play was equally sizzling with runs too hot to touch!











