



# St John's Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It's the Summer term already! The 'End of Year 6' countdown has begun – not long now until Dragons' Den, the Summer production, Sports Day and Leavers' celebrations... Where has the time gone?!

## Topics for Next Term

Immediately after the Easter break we will be launching our exciting new STAR WARS topic, which will be the basis of lots of fun activities to help us revise our learning so far this year. This topic will be the focus of our learning until after SATs week, when it will be replaced by a Super Secret Topic linked to this year's production, which will, for the time being, remain confidential... This term we will also be exploring the MindUp programme, a brilliant scheme of work which focusses on learning about our amazing brains, developing our self-awareness and becoming more mindful.

## PE Kits and Forest School

Please ensure the children have their full P.E. kit and a water bottle in school every day as our P.E. days often change due to events such as trips and visitors. Currently our 'official' PE days are Mondays and Fridays. There were a number of children last term who needed to borrow P.E. kit regularly so we are hoping to minimise that this term - particularly as the children need to get into good self-organisation habits ready for Year 7! Year 6 will be attending Forest School on Fridays again this term.

## Homework

After the holidays, the children will continue to receive homework every Monday, to be returned to school on the following Monday. This will include spellings to practise, Times Tables Rockstars games, and set activities from the CGP books the children have been given.

## SATs Week Arrangements

Finally, SATS week is fast approaching and it is a tradition at St. John's to serve breakfast at a special Year 6 breakfast club from 8:15 am on each day of the tests, which is open to all the children. A lovely breakfast will be provided, and it is a really good way to get the children ready for each day's tests. It is viewed by them as a special Year 6 privilege! I would really appreciate it if one or two parents each day could help with the aftermath of Breakfast club – washing up etc – so that the school adults can be with the children rather than operating the dishwasher. Please see me if you can help – it will be for about 30 minutes, from 8:45 to 9:15, Monday – Thursday.

The tests take place from Monday May 14<sup>th</sup> to Thursday May 17<sup>th</sup>. It is very important that your child is in school every day during this week, but if they are really ill and cannot attend school then please can you contact the school as early as possible on the day. It is also worth asking you to try(!) and get your children to have early nights in the run up to SATs – it really does help!

Please do not hesitate to come and talk to us if you have any questions or concerns or send us an email via the office email account – [office.2567@st-johns.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.2567@st-johns.oxon.sch.uk)

Yours sincerely,  
Ms Beckett and Mrs Perry

