



# St John's Green Primary School

Learn to Live, Live to Learn

## Newsletter

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We We are all  
Maths writers ...



We are growing  
our learning

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### Half Term

Please remember that next week is Half Term and the school is closed.

The second half of the Summer Term starts on Monday 1st June.

### Sports Days

Parents will all be aware from the newsletter dates and from the school website calendar that our Sports Days are the first week after Half Term.

All Sports Days will be held at the AF site and entry will be via the side gate in the alleyway that links the Abbey Field and Mersea Road.

Approximate timings are in the newsletter and on the schools website calendar.

Teachers and children have been busy practising this week. Miss Parsons, who leads PE, has completely redesigned the format to make the day more dynamic, inclusive, and engaging for everyone involved. Instead of the traditional structure, our five teams Priory, Colne, Abbey, Temple and Siege will compete across five lanes, rotating through six different activities. This should keep things moving, maximise participation and create a fantastic atmosphere throughout.

### PTA Bingo and Children's Disco

Just a quick update from our PTA. The recent Bingo night raised £110.96 and Children's Disco £524.06 for the children of the school.

Thank you to all parents and staff who helped make these nights possible. And of course our PTA.



### Amigo's Magic Show

Please don't forget our two magical showings on Friday 5th June from 'Amigo's Magic Show.' The magician is a member of the 'Magic Circle' and highlights will include someone being sawn in half...(and presumably popped back together again!)

The event is by ticket only.

Tickets-<https://st-johns-green-pta.square.site/>

All the information was sent out last week electronically by email and the QR code is as above.

### Term Dates

Monday 25th May—Friday 29th May—Half Term

Friday 17th July—Last day of Summer Term

Two Non Pupil Days in the Summer Term—Friday 1st May and Friday 19th June

### Diary Dates

Monday 11th—Thursday 14th May—Year 6 SATs

**WB 1/6/26—Sports Days at AF**

**Monday 1/6/26 @ 9.30a.m. EYFS**

**Tuesday 2nd June @ 9.30a.m. Year 1/2**

**Thursday 4th June @ 9.30a.m. Year 3/4**

**Thursday 4th June @ 1.30p.m. Year 5/6**

**Friday 5th June Magical Dress up Day. (This is a bonus day and linked to our PTA event Amigo's Magic Show, which performs that afternoon/evening)**

**Children can bring a £1.00 and dress up on the day as magically as they like (Their favourite magical character—all money will go to the PTA) - As basically any made up character is magical—the list of who you could be is endless!**

WB 8/6/26—Year 1 Phonic Screening Check (All children)

Thursday 11th June @ 5.30p.m.—Shared Supper @ AF

**SAVE THE DATE Thursday 18th May —PTA Quiz at AF (7.00p.m.—9.00p.m.)**

**Please don't forget to keep checking at home for school reading/library books—and then getting them returned to school as their returns will make Chris Payne our librarian very happy.**  
**(And other children that want to read them—Happy Too!**

### Rights Respecting Schools

**Article 12** (respect for the views of the child) Every child has the right to express their views, feelings and wishes in all matters affecting them, and to have their views considered and taken seriously. This right applies at all times, for example during immigration proceedings, housing decisions or the child's day-to-day home life.

### Awards

#### Being a Good Role Model

Star— Summer, Jumbo— Eve, Chariot— Hazel.

Eagles— Alix, Circus— Olivia, Roses— Jessica.

Mercury— Alya, Claudius— Chloe, Romans— Allie.

Paxman— Kiara, Icení— Tyler, Dutch— Ifeji.

Castle— Kiera, Cavalier— Maria, Garrison— Jarred.

Oysters— Sofia, Magnets— Lottie, Raedwald— Charlton.

Trinovantes— Kyra, Lathes— Nina, Cymbeline— Luciana

Attendance— Star & Cavalier

### Report to Parents from the Governing Body meeting of the 20/05/2026

You will be aware that the school recently held elections for the Governing Body and we were pleased to welcome the successful parent candidates Brian Menzies and Nicola Roberts. Due to the recent resignation of Lee Brooker we also elected a new Chair Laura Petford, with myself being elected as vice-Chair. We would like to note our thanks to Mr Brooker for his years of work with the governors.

The governors ratified a number of important policies for the school, including the mental health policy, which we consider to be an important area of focus for everyone. Getting outside and enjoying the good weather is a good place to start when it comes to our mental health!

We also received a very thorough update on school finances; as ever we encourage people to consider the school dinner option for food which remains a good value and nutritious option – always a highlight on my school visits!

**We did learn that stocks in our Community Cupboard are running low and we would welcome any donations of non-perishable foods and toiletries in particular. Donations can be taken to the office on either site.**

We wanted to give a special mention to Clare Bate who is coming to the end of her term as Chair of the PTA. The PTA have done so much excellent work for the school and have made a real difference to the affordability of activities for children. Thank you Clare for your excellent work and if this is something that any parent would be interested in being involved with please do get in contact with the school! And among the things to look forward this term we have a the summer fayre, a sponsored walk and quiz and a magic show!

Have a great half term everybody and fingers crossed for the sunshine.

Elisa Vasquez Walters

# Firstsite Holiday Fun

**May Holiday 2026**

Sat 23 May, Tue 26 - Sat 30 May

Activities take place at:  
**Firstsite**  
Lewis Gardens, High St  
Colchester, Essex  
CO1 1JH

**FREE**

### Make

Free creative art activities  
10:00am - 2:30pm

### Move

Free fun sport and social activities  
10:45am -11:45am  
& 12:00pm -1:00pm

### Canteen

Free freshly made hot meals for all the family  
11:45am & 1:00pm

Our Holiday Fun activities are for families facing economic challenges or who require additional support during the school holidays, including those that qualify for benefit-based free school meals.

- Advanced booking is essential for Move activities and Canteen
- Activities most suitable for 4-11 years, but all ages welcome
- Caregivers are required to stay on site throughout the activities
- Menus and lists of activities available at [www.firstsite.uk](http://www.firstsite.uk)

Delivered in partnership with:



## How to book

Early bird tickets will be available from 9am Tue 19 May.

More tickets will be released three days in advance of each session.

Limited spaces available, offered on a first come first served basis.

If you can no longer attend your booking, please let us know as soon as possible by calling 01206 713700. If you contact us 24 hours before the event your space can be made available for another family.

**Thank you!**

Book online at [firstsite.uk](http://firstsite.uk) or call 01206 713700

Scan the QR code to book



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