21 .10.2022

#### **Dear Parents**

What a half term it has been! It has been super to end it with planned wellbeing days based around the book 'Can I build a another me' by Shinsuke Yoshitake. Part of the two days included some Indian dancing which all groups had a chance to take part in. I did see some lovely work sent home yesterday!

Thank you to all who attended the coffee morning last week. It was great to see so many in school.

As so many of you are well aware the second half of the autumn term is always busy with celebrating many annual events; Fireworks, Remembrance, shoebox appeal, Advent, KS1 Nativity and Christmas. Fireworks will be on the 4th November and I look forward to seeing you all there. Year 4 and 5 will be attending the act of remembrance on the 11th November at the cemetery. Year 5 will also be sharing thoughts and ideas at an assembly before they leave. You are all invited.

The PTA will be holding their annual AGM on 25th November 8.50am in the school hall. If you are a new parent to the school and you would like to get involved this is your chance. The PTA work extremely hard to raise money for the school, so please do join us for coffee and cake. At this meeting we will be voting new members to the committee as well as a new Chair. We will be thanking Stacey Dean for being Chair during some challenging times.

Thank you to all parents who showed interest in becoming a governor, Thank you all those who cast votes. We will be in contact after half term with more information on the result.

Please if you are concerned about anything you can get in contact with me through the office email or please catch me at the gate in the morning or afternoon.

I wish you all a safe and restful half term and look forward to seeing you all on Monday 31st October 2022.

Best wishes,

Mrs Betts

#### Samaritans Purse Shoebox Appeal

This year we will, once again, be supporting in a different way. You will see on your Parentmail account you are able to give a do-



nation towards Samaritans Purse filling boxes on your behalf. These amount to £20 each for a whole box or you can donate upwards of £10. As a school we will purchase as many boxes as we can with the total you have donated.

Smaller donations under £10 can be made in cash directly to the school office

Thank you so much for your generosity at this time.

# Macmillan Cancer Support Coffee Morning.

Thank you to all those who supported our Coffee Morning last week by either providing cakes, attending the event or donating funds for this worthy cause

We raised £254 09 for this

Thank you so much



# Winter Uniform

After half term you will need to ensure you child wearing the winter uniform. This will be shirts, ties and grey skirts for the girls and long trousers only for the boys.



# PLEASE REMEMBER

- all uniform should be named
- All shoulder length hair <u>must</u> be tied back.
- No jewellery in school. Pierced earrings should be sleeper type and removed or covered on PE days.
- Coats must be <u>plain navy</u> and brought in every day
   Children will still go outside every day We don't want them to get cold!
- Trainers may only be worn on PE days.

Plain Black school shoes at all other times. No boots or ankle boots are

#### PTA—FIREWORKS—FRIDAY 4TH NOV 2022—HELPERS NEEDED

The reality of an event like St John's Fireworks is that we need a serious amount of volunteers. Please contact Stacey if you feel able to help on the evening as a steward or marshal or help with sales of Glow sticks or refreshments.

Last year we raised £6000 which makes a huge difference to our small school. If you have always helped please confirm you are willing to do the same this year Please message Stacey on 07525775486

# St. John's CEVAP School Annual Family Firework Display

# Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Gates open at 6pm. Display starts at 7.30pm.

Ransomes Sports & Social Club, Sidegate Avenue, Ipswich 1P4 4JJ

# **TICKETS**

Advance ticket: Adult £6, Child £4 (under 5s go free)

On the gate: Adult £7, Child £5 (under 5s go free)

Tickets available until midday on Friday 4th November:

Co-op Colchester Road, Co-op Cauldwell Hall Road, Co-op Woodbridge Road and Noah's Ark Pre-school, Brunswick Road Post Office

# FOOD DRINKS AND FAIRGROUND ATTRACTIONS FOR ALL THE FAMILY

PERSONAL FIREWORKS, SPARKLERS & ALCOHOL PROHIBITED AT THIS EVENT PARKING ON SITE FOR BLUE BADGE HOLDERS ONLY. FREE PARKING AT ST. JOHN'S CHURCH IP4 4QE

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# Dates for Diaries 2022

#### October

Friday 21st - PD DAY—NO SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN

HALF TERM-W/C Mon 24th October

Monday 31st October—Children return to school

# November

4th November—PTA Community Fireworks Display

11th Nov-Year 5 Remembrance Assembly 9.10 am

11th Nov—Schools Remembrance—Ipswich Cemetery—Years 4 + 5

18th Nov—Year 3 Assembly 9.10am

23rd Nov—Year 3 Roman Workshop

24th Nov-Prospective Parents Open Morning 9.30 am

25th Nov-PTA Annual General Meeting-School hall 9.00 am



### PTA - PRE LOVED UNIFORM

St John's PTA are now using Uniformly. This is a site that allows you to upload uniform and sell it on to other parents. It works in a similar fashion to Vinted or eBay. Upload your items and choose the price you would like for them. Once sold, arrange for collection of your item. When your items have sold, and you delete the image, it gives you an opportunity to donate a portion of the sale back to St John's PTA. We would be very grateful of any donations.

Thank you

# Hot Dinners

A new three week menu starts after half term, please check the school website for the new menu.





Faithful Lord, whose steadfast love never ceases, and whose mercies are new every morning: grant us the grace to trust you and to receive the gifts of your love, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

