

St John's CEVA Primary School



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17 January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year to you all. We have had a mixed start to 2023; thank you to all who have approached and asked me about how Mrs Pipe and Mrs Eastwood are holding up. We are hoping Mrs Eastwood will be back next week on a phased return. Mrs Pipe was so grateful and thankful for gifts and well wishes from you. Please do continue to keep her in your prayers.

We started the term with the feast of Epiphany which marks the beginning of a season which recognises Jesus to be the Son of God. It celebrates the fact that Jesus had come into the world for everyone, not just the Jews.

This half term our Christian value is 'Justice'. Through collective worship the children will be learning about what Jesus had to say about injustice and how we can see it, act on it fairly and also recognise and take responsibility for our own actions and forgive. Please do ask your children to share this learning with you at home.

The teachers have uploaded this terms Digging Deeper so you can see and support your child with their learning at home too. You can find this on the Class Dojo.

I am looking forward to welcoming you back into school with our first Friday assembly on Friday 27th January at 9.10am where Class 1 will be sharing their learning with you. If you can't join with us then, the following week we are having a parent share week. The Class teachers will have already provided you with dates and times. It is a great opportunity to share your child's learning with them.

We end this half term with two wellbeing days on Thursday 9th and Friday 10th February 2023.

If you have any concerns and would like to speak with me, please do catch me on the playground or make an appointment through the school office.

Best wishes,

Mrs Betts

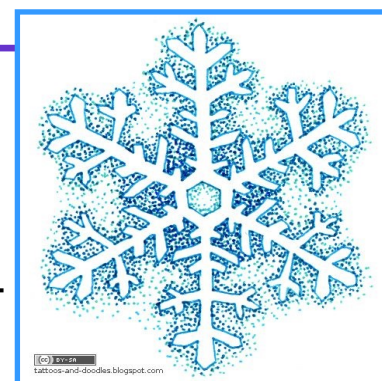
CHRISTMAS CHARITY DONATIONS - We are very pleased to advise that as a school we raised £158 for Save the Children on Christmas jumper day. A big thank you to all the family and friends who attended the KS1 Nativity performances and generously donated £340 to FIND.

P.T.A. MEETING—FRIDAY 20 JANUARY, 9.00am

COULD YOU GIVE SOME TIME TO THE SCHOOL'S P.T.A.?

As a school we are so grateful to our P.T.A. for all of the fund raising they do to help the school fund activities and various projects. There are many different activities and you wouldn't be expected to help out with all of them. Why not come along to the meeting on Friday 20 January at 9.00am in the school hall and find out more about it. Lindsey Baldry the P.T.A. Chairman and the other P.T.A. members would love to see you.

WINTER WEATHER - Now that the weather is much colder and wetter, please ensure your child comes to school with a coat every day. School logo hats and purple and white scarves are available for purchase through our uniform suppliers. Alternatively, navy hats, scarves and gloves are acceptable.



Please see Uniform Policy on our school website for more details

SEVERE WEATHER CLOSURE - If the school needs to close fully or partially due to severe weather you will be notified by Parentmail as early as is possible.

COST OF LIVING CRISIS —. Many of us are experiencing financial difficulties at this present time. Please contact the school office if you have any financial concerns. Don't forget to check whether or not you are entitled to Free School Meals online through Suffolk County Council. There is also a link on our website where you can buy second hand uniform for as little as £3.00 for a school jumper.

HEARING CARE CENTRE, WOODBRIDGE ROAD — We have received a letter from the Hearing Care Centre, which is located in the old Barclays Bank site, asking that our school families DO NOT cut through their car park when walking to and from school. They have observed some 'near misses' when their staff and patients are parking and ask that we remind all walkers to use the public foot-path located around the building instead.

VICTORY CLUB are urgently looking for a new member of staff. Successful candidates must have a Level 3 qualification or above in either Early Years studies or Playwork. Hours 3.15pm-6.15pm (negotiable). Interested? Contact Vera Singh via email: Manager.SJVC@outlook.com. Start date: ASAP.

Dates for Diaries 2023

20 January, 9.00am—PTA Meeting
27 January, 9.15 am—Year 1 Class Assembly
1 February—Candlemas Prayer Space
9 & 10 February —WellbeingDays
13-18 February - HALF TERM HOLIDAY
20 February — CHILDREN BACK IN SCHOOL
23 February — Year 4 Vikings Workshop



WALKING AND DRIVING TO SCHOOL

Please take extra care when travelling to and from school.

The local roads are congested and can be dangerous.

Please park well away from the school site
and ensure pavements are accessible for pedestrians.

DO NOT PARK IN VICTORY ROAD AT ANY TIME

This includes dropping off for Breakfast Club and collecting children from after school clubs or for sports events.

This will ensure all children and families can arrive and depart from school safely, and residents have complete access to and from their homes at all



God of love,

We pray for peace in our world, and an end to war.

Instead of hatred, let there be love. Shelter your children and protect us.

Guide us and keep us from harm, so we can build a world of love and live our lives in peace.

Amen.