St John's CEVA Primary School

No.8

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have all made it through what has felt like the longest January ever! It has been lovely to see the daffodil shoots beginning to appear outside my office—early signs of spring that always bring a sense of hope and anticipation.

Although it has been a long month, an enormous amount of learning has taken place across the school. Reflecting on Class 3's assembly, I felt incredibly proud of how much the children have learned and how confidently they shared this with others. Thank you to everyone who came along to support them.

Our recent Parent Share event was also a busy and positive occasion, and I hope you enjoyed the opportunity to celebrate your children's learning together.

We are looking forward to ending this week with two special wellbeing days. The children will be reading *Hattie Peck* by Emma Levey, a story that explores themes of difference and the relationships that shape us—within our families and our wider community. We feel this story connects beautifully with our school vision and our Christian values of respect, responsibility, hope, compassion, and generosity. Please do ask your children about these special days.

As we complete our focus on the value of Justice, we are reminded that we are made in the image of God. When we believe and trust in Him, He is with us wherever we go. Through the Bible stories we have explored, Jesus teaches us to fix our eyes on Him, rely on His strength, and remember that He is our mighty God and Prince of Peace.

After half-term, we will begin our journey through Lent, reflecting on why Christians observe this season and how we can remember Jesus' sacrifice in meaningful ways.

I wish you all a happy and safe half-term, when we get there, and look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday, 23 February 2026.

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

Best wishes,
Mrs Betts

HEALTHY LUNCH BOXES

Just a reminder that lunch boxes must contain healthy food options, **no sweets or chocolate**

FOR ALL PUPILS SAFETY THIS IS A NUT FREE SCHOOL – ITEMS CONTAINING NUTS ARE FORBIDDEN.

A healthy lunch box looks like this:

A Main Dish

Add some fruit or salad

Add a little something else

CHECK OUT THE "CHANGE 4 LIFE" WEBSITE FOR LOTS MORE IDEAS AND RECIPES
https://www.nhs.uk/change4life

Please also remind your child that rubbish should be placed back in the lunch box to return home.

Thankyou

Travelling to and from 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
Please also be considerate of our local neighbours and do not park over driveways

DO NOT PARK IN VICTORY ROAD AT ANY TIME.

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

Thank you.

PUNCTUALITY and ATTENDANCE

Just a reminder the school gate is open from 8.40—8.50am.
Please ensure your child has arrived at school by 8.50.
After this they will receive a late mark.
If your child is unable to come to school please phone the absence line or if you wish to request leave of absence for any reason, the relevant form is on the school website.
Thank you.

Dates for Diaries

All parents and other family members are welcome to attend whole school worship assemblies on Friday mornings.

6 February	-	PTA Pre Loved Uniform Sale After School
12 and 13 February	-	Wellbeing Days
16 to 20 February	-	**HALF TERM HOLIDAY**
23 February	-	Children return to school
23 February	-	No sports clubs this week

Dear Lord,

Watch over the peoples of countries who have been forced to flee their homes and face violence and fear.

Lead them to a place of safety, comfort those who grieve and bring healing to those in pain.

Turn hatred to understanding, and anger to compassion.

And fill us all with your Spirit so that with one voice, throughout the world, we may cry out

Lord, send us the gift of peace
Amen