

# SMSJ News

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Good afternoon everyone,

The school is remarkably quiet, having waved Year 1 and Year 2 off on their visit to Uppingham Theatre to watch 'The smartest giant in town' this afternoon. It was quite noisy beforehand as the excitement of the trip grew throughout the morning! For some children it is their first ride on a coach, never mind seeing a live show at the theatre. I hope they all have a wonderful afternoon.

Also, this morning Year 5 joined a virtual, interactive lesson led by The Eden Project. They learnt about biomes, rainforests and chocolate amongst other things. Technology working at its best to bring this experience to the classroom, I'm sure you would agree.

Yesterday, our two netball teams played their first league matches of the season. They have been training with Mr Coyne for several weeks now. We hosted the event. Our Blue Team beat visiting Leighfield, whilst our Red Team beat our Blue Team. I thoroughly enjoyed umpiring the matches and witnessing some fine netball being played. Well done SMSJ! I hope the season continues as it has started.

Earlier in the week, our boccia team of Daisy, Jack and Finnian from Year 6 went to the Para-Festival hosted by Loughborough University to compete in the boccia finals, representing Rutland. I am delighted to report that they came home with silver medals. Well done team! The Para-Festival did make the East Midlands News but I didn't catch a glimpse of Team Rutland!

On Wednesday evening there was a meeting of the full Governing Body. It was a busy and productive meeting. Governors will be meeting with teachers on 25 May, to share developments in subject leadership and our curriculum development. I look forward to sharing our developments with you too, in due course.

Ice cream Fridays starts again today. I hope it is a lovely treat and starts a lovely long Bank Holiday weekend nicely. School opens on Tuesday 3 May.



**A very Happy Birthday to all those celebrating birthdays over the coming week.**

Wed 4 May Bertie Anderson  
Fri 6 May Joss Jordan

**Winners of the House  
Cup this week:**

**Chater  
Well Done!**



### Diary Dates

#### MAY

<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Bank Holiday</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Year 3/4 Multiskills</b>
<b>6<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Spring Clean Up 1.30pm</b>
<b>9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Year 6 SATs</b>
<b>10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Year 5/6 Hockey Tournament</b>
<b>16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Year 6 Residential</b>
<b>17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Year 3/4 Hockey Tournament</b>
<b>26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Year 3/4 Trip</b>
<b>27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Last Day Term 5</b>



# Head Teachers Awards

## CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU ON GREAT ACHIEVEMENTS

This week in **Reception** the Head Teacher award goes to **Harrison Green** Who has come back this term with great focus and improved listening skills. One of his targets was to make sure that he tidied up his resources after play. Harrison has done a fantastic job at ensuring his area is tidy after each play session. He also has showed great kindness by making sure he includes new friends in his play. Well Done Harrison, you are showing that you are getting ready for Year 1.

In **Year 3** this week the Head Teacher award goes to **Ava Beauchamp**. Ava has work extremely hard in all of her lessons this week, but in English in particular. She has written a lovely shape poem for her hot write task, and she has also written and really well thought out warning tale for her cold write. In these, she has ensured that she has included many of the techniques that she has been learning about and she has also proofread and upscaled her work to make it even better. Great work Ava.

**Mollie Morais** receives the Head Teacher award in **Year 4** this week for really impressing Mr Clark with the incredible amount of effort she has put in to her times tables this week. Mollie is consistently hard working and shows great focus and resilience. Well done Mollie

There are three recipients of the Head Teacher award in **Year 5** this week. **Harrison Beesley-Hewitt, Freddie Jordan** and **Sam Conlon** for their fantastic maths work this week on fractions. They have all been dedicated to understanding the different methods used to find fractions of amounts and to solve difficult multi-step problems. Well done.

In **Year 6** this week the head teacher award goes to the Boccia team of **Finnian Stephen-Smith, Jack Smith** and **Daisy Clement** for their fantastic SILVER medal in the School Games Boccia finals at Loughborough University on Tuesday! They represented the school incredibly, and we are so proud of them for their efforts! Well done to a great team 😊



# PFA NEWS 29th April 22

St Mary & Primary St John School



The next virtual PFA meeting is on:

## Thurs 5th May 8.15pm

Please let your class rep know you would like to join and details will be provided. We'll be thinking ahead to a summer raffle and Queen's jubilee celebrations.

## Ice Cream Fridays

IT'S  
BACK!

Every Friday

3.20pm

£1 per ice cream



During the summer term,  
the PFA would love  
donations of medium  
sized cuddly toys.

Little t-shirts will be made for them from old p.e. tops. The toys will be given to new reception children in September



parent & friends walking group

St Mary & Primary St John School



Want to meet others in our school community?  
Fancy an easy going walk and talk?  
Come Join us!  
Next walk: Friday 13th May @ 8.50am  
meet outside school reception  
circular walk - approx 1hour  
Dogs Welcome too!