

3rd April 2025



St John's News

S10



The pupils in S10 have been super busy this term. They have been working hard to reach their goals, whether this is life skills, helping deliver letters around the school, or helping the School Nurse deliver packages.



At the start of this month 2 of our pupils had the opportunity to go to Kings House for a music festival. It was a fun-filled day, and the pupils got to perform some of the songs they had been learning in their music sessions. We also celebrated Pancake Day by decorating our own pancakes with our favourite toppings.

We have also celebrated World Book Day and Red Nose Day, the pupils dressed up and had a very busy day at school, completing lots of different activities for both of these occasions. This week we have been completing some arts and crafts to make some Mother's Day cards, using paints and colouring pencils.



P8

P8 have been getting fully involved in the school's pizza competition.

We have been busy discussing our favourite toppings, planning our pizzas and practicing to make them.



F: My favourite toppings are peppers and tomatoes
K: My favourite topping is cheese

We will continue to practice perfecting our pizza, to then enter our final piece – hoping for the big win! Fingers crossed!!



P5

What a fun filled month we've had!

We have been updating our classroom for the Spring Season, as well as looking refreshed we also got to practice our cutting and sticking skills to make our classroom decorations.



Some of us have been horse riding this term, you can see how much we enjoy it in our pictures.

In core we have been consolidating our Phonic knowledge and skills through sensory play.

In Maths we have been acquiring number knowledge in a fun and exciting way – this month with trains. What an adventure!



In science we have been exploring light and dark, what objects give off light and which ones don't.

Some of us have also been learning about life skills and safety

in the kitchen while cooking pasta with cheese, while also including Maths by using timers and then of course eating what we have made!



"Why do we turn the handle in on the saucepan" **K:** In case we knock it and spill hot water. 2 minutes left on the timer, check pasta.

MM: M on horse, see you later horse.

MF: watched as we set up our easter egg activity and said: M do it, red and green, more red.

Z: Well done, good job. When he finished his easter decoration.

Z: Torch broken, no light.

D: pointed to the no light symbol to tell us the teapot was not a light source.

S: Placed the tealight onto the light symbol to tell us it was a light source.





S7

M&M Theatre visited St John's School to show us a production of Pinocchio.

S7 thought about Pinocchio and touched symbols to answer questions. We learnt that he wants to be 'a real boy and go to school'. We said 'yes' to watching the show. We made thank you notes by adding colour to our sheets.



The pupils showed so many smiles today and joined in with pupils from other classes that they wouldn't normally join in with. Thank you, M&M.



Pupils in S9 looked 'Bee-eautiful' dressed up in their Bee themed outfits to support The Superbloom project!

L had so many bees all over her, on her top, in her hair and even on her shoes! (She liked them so much that they are still on her shoes!)

L looked amazing dressed in his Bee costume, complete with a stinger behind! Pupils took part in planting flowers to attract more bees. L wasn't too impressed with the wet soil and expressed "I don't like" using her partner assisted PODD book.

H liked getting messy with the soil and made great attempts to 're-pot' the planted plants!



S9

We have been exploring pancakes. We got messy! H particularly enjoyed this, We watched as the flour was sifted from a height and felt the flour with our fingers. Some of us enjoyed tasting lemon, sugar and eating the pancakes. Excellent attempts were made to toss the pancakes or direct the adults to toss the Pancakes. S's pancake was tossed the highest nearly hitting the ceiling!



S4



As part of our 'Great Adventures' theme S4 have been focussing on the story 'Peter Pan'. We have been answering questions about the story and predicting and anticipating what will happen next.

We have been writing sentences and captions relating to images from the story, and completing speech bubbles to express what characters might say or think in particular scenarios.

We worked as a class team to design, build, create and decorate our own pirate ship using craft materials and cardboard boxes! Pupils commented 'wow' 'great' and pointed to their favourite parts such as the flag and the anchor. We

have used our pirate ship and characters to role play the story in the classroom. We are now going to work on developing our own version of the story.

S2

S2 have had a fantastic half term and have really enjoyed learning about the meaning of the Easter celebrations in the Christian calendar.

The Class were invited to spend the morning at the Church of the Transfiguration in Kempston, where they spent the morning exploring the church, ringing the bells, playing the organ and listening to the church's Vicar Andrea, tell them about what easter means to her.

MN said he loved playing on the organ and the table football.

Ola said "I really enjoy learning about Easter and looking at the huge building.





For Food tech and careers S6 have enjoyed getting a



slice of the action in the pizza competition and have been busy trialling different Pizza recipes and identifying if they like or dislike them. We have also been busy designing our Pizza box, creating posters, voting for our favourite toppings, and practicing making the

perfect pizza dough.

To help with our fine and gross motor skills we have been grating cheese, spreading tomato sauce and chopping vegetables however it is clear to see that

S6

our favourite part of the competition is pizza tasting! We cannot wait to produce our final pizza ready for the competition next week.

T said "I like olives"

K used a communication board to tell us he liked the vegetarian, Pizza.

M used a communication board to tell us he just likes cheese pizza.



Update on S6's sponsored swim

S6 completed an amazing 90 lengths of the pool in just 45 minutes! We raised a whopping £234 for new resources for our classroom.

A special shout out to Kai and his family for raising an amazing £180. Incredible – Thank you.

P6



In P6 we have been enjoying sensory stories about going on adventures, one where we went through the ocean and the other going on a train journey through India.

We enjoyed all the different smells, textures and lights that were used. We have also welcomed a new teacher called Emma, we are all getting to know each other and looking forward to seeing what activities are coming up.



FE1



FE1 Have been busy making cards to sell to staff. We worked in groups to find the design we were going to

use. The pupils were asked to think about how easy it would be to make, what supplies they would need and if people would like the cards. We chose two designs, both rabbits. We also have a chick card that we made.

Then we needed to find out what resources were needed. The only thing we needed to buy was some card and some fluffy balls.

Once we had all the resources we started making the cards. We were then able to work out how many we could make how much we needed to charge for the cards to make a profit.

We started by adding how much we had spent then divided that amount by the number of cards we had made. We worked out that if we charged 30p per card or 4 cards for a £1. We will make a profit.

We are good working as part of a team and today we worked in groups. Each group had their own jobs to do. One group made the bunny card jumping in the den, the other group made the bunny with ears

card and the third group oversaw quality control and matching cards to the envelopes. We also have a stamp that went on the back of the cards, so everyone knows who made the cards.

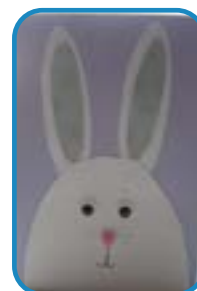
The money we raise will go into our enrichment fund. We are planning to have a day out doing a fun activity before the end of the year. Some of the ideas we have are bowling, cinema, and theme park.

LA: I was on quality control sorting out the pink noses.

SA: I am getting better at making the cards. I like the cards they look good.

LF: I like the cards.

KBP: My Job was to match the cards to the envelopes.



Diary Dates

Friday 4th April 2025 - Last Day of Term

Monday 7th April 2025 – Wednesday 23rd April 2025 - Easter Holidays

Thursday 24th April - Pupils Return to School

Fundraising

Thank you to those who took part in the loose change challenge the winning class was S1! **The total raised was £84.48.**

Thank you for all money raised for Red Nose Day. We raised £116.

