

All the staff at St John's would like to wish you all a very Happy Christmas & New Year

21st December 2023

A huge thank you to our amazing PTA for organising 'Stories with Santa' on Friday evening. It is vital that during the family events run by the PTA that children are constantly supervised by their parents. Without the supervision from parents at these events, the PTA cannot run them as they plan which is such a shame as it takes many hours of planning and preparation. If you have any questions about this, please either speak to members of the PTA or myself.

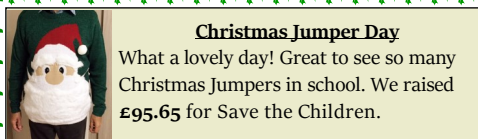
Kind wishes
Mr Hope—Headteacher

Mr Hope's end of year letter was sent out via email on 19th December but is also attached to this newsletter

Knaresborough St John's Newsletter

Tel: 01423 863265

Headteacher: Mr A Hope



Christmas Jumper Day

What a lovely day! Great to see so many Christmas Jumpers in school. We raised £95.65 for Save the Children.



TRUST

1863

PEACE

2280

HOPE

2011

WISDOM

1974

Scooters/Bikes

If your child comes to school on a scooter or bike then please make sure that it has a lock and is kept in the bike racks at the front of school. It is not schools responsibility to look after these whilst your child is in school.

Autumn Term Dates 2023

22/12 School closes normal time for Christmas break

22/12 Please Note: KIDS CLUB FINISHES AT THE EARLIER TIME OF 5PM.



Spring Term Dates 2024

08/01 Teacher training day. School closed to pupils

09/01 School reopens to all children EFYS & KS1 0850am

KS2 0840am

16/01 Y1&Y2 Open afternoon 2pm-3pm

School Uniform

We ask that ALL children return to school in January wearing their FULL school uniform with appropriate school shoes. Trainers or football trainers are NOT acceptable in school apart for use in P.E. If children come to school in trainers we will contact you to bring their school shoes in. Thank you for your support!

Spring Term Breakfast and After School Clubs

Spring term clubs will start week commencing 15th January 2024. The new clubs list will be uploaded to the school website after the Christmas break & a text will be sent out once it can be viewed. The booking link will be issued via a separate text. So please keep an eye on your text messages in January!

Our Year 1 & 2 Nativity this Christmas was the INNSpectors which was such a lot of fun. The children had lots of lines and worked so hard. There were some lovely soloists too! Well done to all the children and we hope you enjoyed watching it.

KIDS CLUB

Please make sure that your child is collected before the earlier time of 5.00pm on Friday 22nd December.

SEND HUB DROP IN AT ST JOHN'S

19th January 8.45am – 9.30am

1st March 8.45am – 9.30am

19th April 8.45am – 9.30am

14th June 8.45am – 9.30am

All parents / carers welcome to join us in the hall for an informal catch-up & the opportunity to ask any questions. We look forward to seeing you there!



All the staff at St Johns would like to thank you for the support & kindness shown throughout the Autumn term. We wish you & your families a healthy & relaxing Christmas & New Year break. We look forward to seeing all our children back on Tuesday 9th January. Merry Christmas!

PTA Money Raised Autumn Term 2024

Bingo £428.16
Treat Friday/ uniform sale £203.71
Disco £993.03
Wreath workshop £579.99
Class 5/6 bake sale £141
Class 9/10 bake sale £148.68
Sweetbola £122
Bags2school £90
Christmas crafts £270.86
Christmas cards £223.20
Current total of £3200.63 raised this term!
Stories with Santa amount to follow.

Year 1 and 2 doing their DT project. We have made puppets for Christmas. Children have planned, designed and made puppets for their DT project this half term. The children in Year 2 sewed their puppet and added facial features with glue. Year 1 cut and stuck on features using felt and other fabrics to create their puppets.



Royal British Legion—Poppy Appeal

Thank you to all our children who kindly donated for this amazing charity. The school raised £403.92. Woohoo! One of the best years yet :)

A gentle reminder that children should not be playing football before or after school in the playgrounds. This can put the other children and parents at risk of being hit by a stray football. Thank you!



Raring2Go!

The new Raring2Go magazine is now out! Click the link to see the what's going on & things to do for families in the local area for December, January & February.
<https://magazines.raring2go.co.uk/harrigateandYork/winter2023/>



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Tuesday 19th December

End of 2023 Letter

Dear Parents/Carers,

I cannot believe we're heading towards the end of the Autumn term and the end of 2023. This has been a fantastic year for the school and I wanted to reflect on some of the highlights

Earlier on in the year, our school became one of the few that had above national results in all of the statutory tests from EYF5 all the way up to Year 6. Every member of staff works exceptionally hard for every child in school and to see all that hard work pay off was such good news. At the end of last week, the Department for Education updated the information about schools on its website to allow parents to look at the performance of their child's school and be able to compare it to other schools in the local area and across England. If you are interested, then please click on the link - [Compare the performance of schools and colleges in England - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://gov.uk/compare-schools)

In November, we had our SIAMS Inspection (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools) and were delighted with the results. Achieving the highest judgement possible under the new inspection framework is something that we are exceptionally pleased with and we feel the strengths identified are right for what we provide for all of the children. We have already started working on the development areas, and even though the next SIAMS inspection won't be for another 4 or 5 years, we will always be ready for any visitor/s to spend time in our school.

The entire year has been enhanced by the incredible work from our PTA. They have been unbelievable with planning and organising some many memorable events including the Summer Fayre and various discos. The most recent event of 'Stories with Santa' was so well received and the children have loved telling me all about it. It is the work of the PTA that funds our commitment to ensuring that all Key Stage 2 children receive first aid training during their time at school. We will be planning the next group to have their training in the New Year. I want to pass my thanks on to every member of the PTA as they do such a magnificent job. They are always looking at ways to raise money for the benefit of every child and do it with such engaging and enjoyable events. We are so lucky to have you!

As we move towards the end of the year, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Jeffery and Mrs Mason. Over the years they have been working at our school, they have made such a positive impact on the children and their families. Both are looking forward to spending more time with their families and we wish them the very best for the future. I am delighted that Mrs Sanderson will be re-joining the school in January 2024. To have Mrs Sanderson re-join the school is wonderful for the children as she is an experienced and brilliant class teacher. We are also delighted as she brings with her superb subject leadership skills.

Even though it's the last week, we still have many events to look forward to in school with the KS1 Nativity, the KS2 Christmas Performance and the Christmas Parties being just some of them! On Friday 22nd December, we will be holding our Advent Assembly in the school hall (starting at 9.15am). If you are able to join us, then it would be great to see you all! Reverend Garry is joining us to lead with a Christmas message.

If you are not able to join us for these events, I would like to take this time to say thank you for all your support and feedback throughout the year. It means such a lot to everyone working in school when you share positive feedback with us and I look forward to us all continuing to work together in 2024.

On behalf of everyone at Knaresborough St Johns, I want to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Best wishes

Mr A Hope



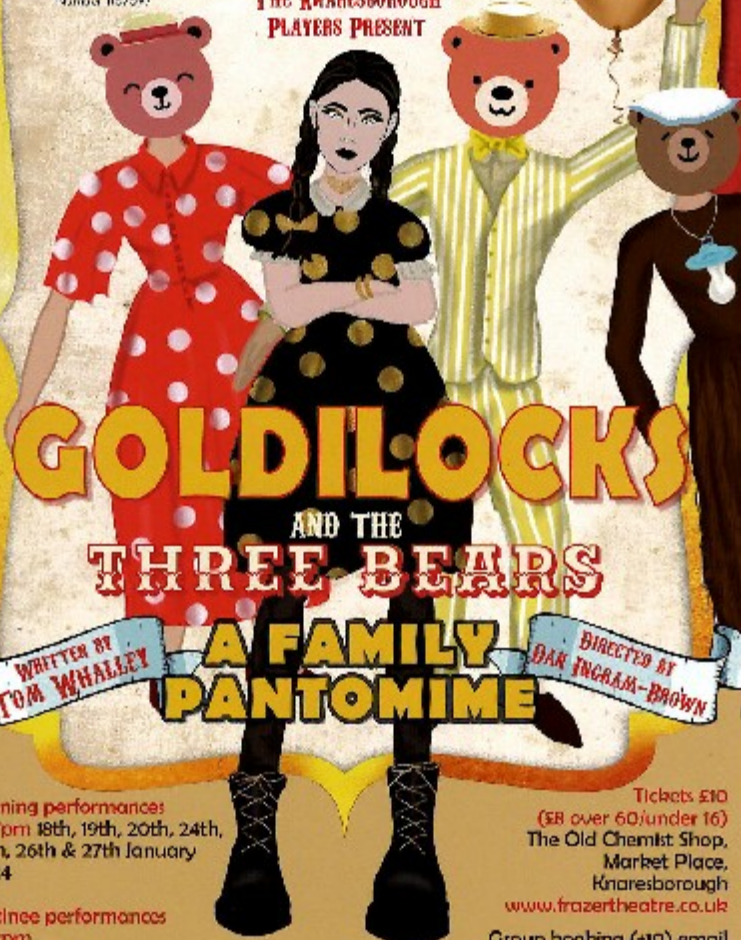
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Upcoming online **Introduction to Working with Children** courses:

Saturdays 13 January 2024 - 03 February 2024, 09:30 - 11:30

Mondays 15 January 2024 - 21st December, 13:00 - 15:00

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For more information phone **01609 536 066** and ask to speak with a **Learner Engagement Officer**

Email: LearningAdvice@northyorks.gov.uk

Web: www.northyorks.gov.uk/adultlearning



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January 2024

Newsletter

LET'S FACE THE NEW YEAR!

Tuesday
16th Jan
19:00 - 20:00
FREE



FREE SESSION
Cannabis Awareness
Get the facts so you can have the conversation

Thursday
4th Jan
19:00 - 21:00
£24



Supporting a Child with ADHD
Challenging stereotypes, explaining what ADHD is and offering a range of interventions that can make lasting differences.

Monday
8th Jan
19:00 - 21:00
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