

# St. John's CE Primary School

## Weekly Bulletin - 19 December 2025



### Coming up

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Event</u>
Mon 05 Jan 2026	All day	Both Sites	<b>Whole School INSET DAY</b>
Wed 07 Jan 2026	13.00 - 15.30	WR	<b>Ducklings</b> Forest School
Fri 09 Jan 2026	9.00 - 9.45	LRR	<b>EYFS</b> Parent & Carer Session - Maths
Wed 14 Jan 2026	13.00 - 15.30	WR	<b>Ducklings</b> Forest School
Thu 15 Jan 2026	All Day	Birmingham	<b>Young Voices</b> Concert
Thu 15 Jan 2026	13.00 - 15.30	WR	<b>Hawks</b> Forest School (every Thurs afternoon until 12th Mar)
Thu 22 Jan 2026	All day	WR	<b>Y3-6</b> French Café



**INSET Days 2025-2026 Mon 5 Jan Fri 13 Feb**

[Click here to view the school calendar](#)

### For Action


Who? When? What?

**Please note the deadline for an Early Years place in September 2026 is January 15th**

<b>Ducklings</b>	Wed 07 & 14 Jan	Children to come to school in base layers for Forest School afternoon, bring wellies and water proofs. Please sign up if you are able to help: <a href="#">Ducklings Forest School Sign Up</a>
<b>Kestrels</b>	Thursdays until 08 Jan	Volunteers are required for <b>Forest School</b> on Thursday afternoons, please sign up if you are able to help: <a href="#">Kestrels Class Forest School sign up</a>
<b>Hawks</b>	Thursdays from 12 Jan	Volunteers are required for <b>Forest School</b> on Thursday afternoons, please sign up if you are able to help: <a href="#">Hawks Class Forest School Sign Up</a>
<b>Y6</b>	Thu 22 Jan	We will be running our <b>French Café</b> again at Worrall Road on Thursday 22nd January. More details will be shared in January. We are currently looking for Year 6 parent helpers to support us at the event. If you are able to help, please could you complete this <a href="#">form</a> . Many thanks.

### School News

**Click on the news item below to see more on our website**

<b><u>Online Safety</u></b>	Here is advice from Internet Matters regarding <a href="#">online safety tips to support children</a> . This guide offers advice and information to parents and carers of Primary aged children and is well worth a read.
<b><u>Year Groups</u></b>	<a href="#">Wall of Success</a>
<b><u>Staff News</u></b>	We are sad to say that Miss Cross, an office administrator at LRR, will be leaving St. John's at the end of the term. We are sure you will want to join us in wishing her all the very best for the future; she will be truly missed at St. John's.
<b><u>Service Questions</u></b> 	<b>In services this week, we have been helping ourselves and others to 'fly high like an eagle' by reflecting on these questions:</b> How do some Jewish people celebrate Hanukkah? Which do you prefer: darkness or light? Why?
<b><u>Drama Club Terms 3&amp;4</u></b>	<b>Year 3 - 6:</b> Places available for drama tuition in Term 3 & 4 (Wednesday lunchtime and afternoon), with a focus on rehearsing pieces to perform in a competition in March 2026 - the Bristol Festival of Music, Speech and Drama. New and existing students welcome to sign up. Please contact Emma Davey on <a href="mailto:emmadaveydrama@gmail.com">emmadaveydrama@gmail.com</a> for more information, pricing and general enquiries.
<b><u>Prime Thinkers Club</u></b>	<b>Tailored support in Maths for KS2 pupils</b> , £12.00 per session. Register your interest for term 3 using the QR code on the flyer at the bottom of the bulletin. Deadline to sign up - 3rd January.
<b><u>Creativity Club</u></b>	The OG Creativity Club is bookable for next year now! Mondays @ LRR for yrs 1&2 and Thursdays @ WR for yrs 3-6. Devised by Emma from Chandos Atelier and delivered by professional makers with years of experience, these are an hour of creative exploration using art materials. Enriching and imaginative, they develop skills and resilience, teaching techniques and methods rather than giving follow-along instructions - perfect for creative kids and art adventurers! <a href="https://www.chandosatelier.co.uk/bookings">https://www.chandosatelier.co.uk/bookings</a>
<b><u>Music Club</u></b>	Spaces now open for lunchtime ukulele club & After school guitar club for both St Johns sites ( terms 3 & 4). Contact Mr Bee at <a href="mailto:bristolguitarkids@gmail.com">bristolguitarkids@gmail.com</a> for more info. Hurry as spaces are very popular!!

**Families in Focus  
December Bulletin**

[Information and support for Families, Parents/Carers and Young People](#)

**Leave of Absence** [Leave of Absence Request Form](#) Please note this needs to be completed 2 weeks before your leave. Absence due to visiting a new school should be reported on Parentmail not on this form.

**Parentmail** Please report pupil absence due to illness or medical appointment on Parentmail, follow the [link](#) for more information and help downloading the App.

**Free School Meals and Pupil Premium** Free school meals and pupil premium: If you are in receipt of certain benefits you may be eligible for free school meals. If your child is in year 3 or above you can check your eligibility via this link <https://parent.bristol.gov.uk/web/portal/pages/parents/travel-and-free-school-meals>. Pupils in EYFS – Y2 automatically receive free lunches but if you receive any of the benefits that would entitle your child to FSM they could receive extra support, so please speak to the school office to complete a quick form.

**Name Tags** For every order of personalised labels for children's clothing and equipment, My Nametags will contribute 20% to the school. Every order placed when clicking on this link and using the School ID of 21484 will be counted in the fundraising total for our school. Follow this link or go to the school website, quick links page and click on the My Nametags link.

**Give as you Live online** Support the PTA by using Give as you Live Online, it is a free way to raise money for charity when you shop online. Shop at over 6,000 leading stores via our website, Donation Reminder or App and you'll raise free funds for our school. Go to [www.giveasyoulive.com/](http://www.giveasyoulive.com/). Sign up on the top right of the website and enter St John's School PTA (Clifton) when selecting the charity of choice.

For more information click [here](#). Ask friends, family members, and even any businesses you are involved with to shop this way too. We recommend popping a Bookmark on your Bookmarks Bar, or setting Give as You Live as your default homepage so that you don't forget.



## The Prime Thinkers' Club

• **TUESDAYS from 3:15 to 4:30 pm in the Sunshine Room.**

- Creative maths group sessions with low adult-to-child ratios
- Focused, fun and engaging learning environment
- Aligned with the St John's curriculum
- For Key Stage 2 children (Years 3-6)
- Run by experienced teachers Mrs. Swithinbank and Mr. Amarshi
- Pick up after the session at the bottom gate - [please inform us if your child can walk home alone or is going to SHINE on the booking form.](#)

**Term 3 Booking:**

Please book using [only this QR Code by January 3rd:](#)



Once you have completed this QR Code we will then [email you directly to confirm your child's place.](#)

- **Previous members** - please kindly do not make payment until your child's place has been confirmed by email.
- **New members** - we will send through payment details with your confirmation email.

**Dates club will run in Term 3:**

- Tuesday 6th of January
- Tuesday 13th of January
- Tuesday 20th of January
- Tuesday 27th of January
- Tuesday 3rd of February
- **Tuesday 10th of February - NO CLUB DUE TO PARENT/CARER MEETINGS**

Cost per term - £60 (£12 per session)

