

St. John's CE Primary School

Weekly Bulletin - 20 March 2026



Coming up

Date	Time	Location	Event
Fri 20 Mar 2026	16.45 - 18.45	WR	Whole School PTA Disco
Tue 24 Mar 2026	AM	LRR	Goslings School Nurse Visit
Wed 25 Mar 2026	AM	LRR	Ducklings School Nurse Visit
Wed 25 Mar 2026	12.45 - 14.45	Redland Park URC	Y4 Easter Trail
Wed 25 Mar 2026	13.00 - 15.30	WR	Ducklings Forest School
Thu 26 Mar 2026	All day	Both Sites	Whole School World Maths Day Board Game Café
Thu 26 Mar 2026	AM	LRR	Cygnets School Nurse Visit
Fri 27 Mar 2026	9.30 - 10.00	All Saints	Y3-6 Easter Service
Mon 30 - Wed 01	All day	PGL	Year 4 Camp
Wed 01 Apr 2026	9.00 - 10.30	WR	Year 2 WR Visit (please drop children at WR for 9.00am)
Wed 01 Apr 2026	9.10 - 10.10	WR	Whole School Parent/Carer Session Supporting Behaviour & Emotions at home
Wed 01 Apr 2026	13.00 - 15.30	WR	Cygnets Forest School
Thu 02 Apr 2026	9.30 - 10.15	Redland Park URC	Whole School Easter Service
Fri 01 May 2026	9.10 - 10.40	LRR	Whole school Positive Parenting & Online Safety Advice Session

INSET Days 2026-2027 **Thur 3 Sept** **Fri 4 Sept** **Fri 23 Oct** **Mon 2 Nov** **Mon 4 Jan**

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



For Action

Who?	When?	What?
Whole School	Fri 27 Mar	Easter Competition entries into school, please ensure the entry is clearly labelled with name and class and taken to the designated area before school starts.
Whole School	Thu 02 Apr	Easter Service at Redland Park URC - Volunteers required to walk to and from Redland Park, please talk to your class teacher if you think you can help.
Whole School	by Wed 25 Mar	Sign up for the Supporting Behaviour & Emotions Parenting Session , 9.10am (till 10.10am) on Wednesday 1st April in our Worrall Road hall. The speaker: Ali Barnes from North Star Outreach. Ali will look at how parents/carers can support children at home and will be offering practical advice. She will be available for your questions.
Whole School	by Wed 29 Apr	Positive Parenting & Online Safety Advice Session - this will be held on Friday 1st May, at LRR, 9.10am – 10.40am. You can book either the Positive Parenting or the Online Safety session or both. See the flyer at the bottom of the bulletin and click here to book.
Whole School	by Fri 10 Apr	A new Parent Gym course is starting on Wednesday 22nd April 2026. Parent Gym is a non-judgmental, fun and practical parenting course. The on-line sessions are on Wednesdays, 12.30pm to 2.30pm, for 6 weeks. Complete this form to sign up: Parent Workshop Sign Up April 2026 – by midday on Friday 10th April.
Whole School	Wed 25 Mar	Shine April to July Club bookings open next week! Launch Date: All Shine After School Clubs will be open for booking on Wednesday 25th March at 13:00pm. Link to book: Infant School and Junior School
LRR		There are currently 15 unnamed fleeces, cardys and jumpers plus 6 unnamed coats in LRR lost property . Please check for items that may belong to your child, it will be cleared out at the end of next week.
Ducklings	Wed 25 Mar	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: Ducklings Forest School Sign Up
Cygnets	Wed 01 & 22 Apr	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: Cygnets Forest School Sign Up

Harriers	Thursdays until 21 May	Volunteers are required for Forest School on Thursday afternoons, please sign up if you are able to help: Harriers Class Forest School Sign Up
Y2	Wed 01 Apr	Children should be dropped at WR for 9.00am.
Y4	Thu 25 Mar	Parent helpers required to help walk to and from the church for the Easter Trail, speak to your class teacher if you are able to help.
Y4&5	by Mon 23 Mar	If you have not already do so, please complete the Pupil Numbers for September 2026 form, even if you are intending to stay, click on THIS LINK to complete a 20 second form so we know what you are thinking about this September.
Y5&6		Some children from Y5&6 have chosen to take part in the Bebras Coding Challenge Part 2 next week. They are doing Level Novice and may wish to practise the challenges on the website https://www.bebas.uk/index.php?action=user_competitions .
Y6	by Fri 08 May	Pay balance for the Y6 Camp by Friday 8th May. The medical information and consent form is now available on Parentmail, please complete this as soon as possible.
Y6	by Wed 01 Apr	Complete the consent form on Parentmail for the Y6 Leavers' book and Hoodie .
Y6		If you would like to join the Y6 Leavers' committee to help organise the party and leavers' book, please email Mrs Lake at severn@stjohnsprimary.org.uk . More helpers are required.



School News

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

Online Safety

With **Artificial Intelligence** seemingly increasingly used you may be wondering if there are any issues around this that, as a parent, you need to be concerned about. Help is at hand with both the [NSPCC](#) and [Internet Matters.org](#) providing both information and guidance.

PAPAYA and Smartphone Free Childhood in conversation with Kanishka Narayan, UK Minister for AI and Online Safety. Tuesday 24th March 2026, 10:45–11:30 am at Ashton Gate Primary School. Reserve your free seat using this [link](#). See flyer at the bottom of the bulletin.

Year Groups



[EYFS enjoying early Spring at Belmont Estate](#)

[British Science Week – Whole School STEM challenge](#)

A huge thank you to everyone who bought books at the **Book Fair**. As a result, we now have an amazing £1200 to spend on brand new books for our school!

Service Questions



In services this week, we have been helping ourselves and others to 'fly high like an eagle' by reflecting on these questions: We discussed Red Nose Day being a fundraising event that is entertaining, fun and inspiring to raise money for the charity Comic Relief. It is celebrated yearly with the aim to end child poverty by funding programmes that keep children safe, healthy, educated and empowered (Both in the UK and around the world.)

PTA Disco

The PTA is running a Disco and 2nd Hand Uniform Sale on Friday 20th March, see poster at the end of the bulletin. Follow this [link](#) for further information, tickets are £5.00.

Easter Holiday Clubs at Shine

Join the Holiday Fun near you this Easter! Book before 29th March and receive 20% off! **Use the code Early Booker**. For children at any school from Reception – Year 6, days run from 09:00-15:30 with (early and late hours) available. There are load of different activities such as Forest Adventure, Make a High School Musical, Mega and Mini Mash Ups, Cookery, Crazy Science Creations, Disney Dance Medley, Creative Eggs-Travaganza, Mini Gymnastics with Cheerleading, Football Fundays, Soft & Hard Ball Cricket, Tri Golf and Athletics. Shine are Ofsted Registered so you can pay via childcare Vouchers and the Tax-Free Childcare Scheme. [Click here to see what's on; Clifton, Henleaze, Horfield, Westbury on Trym](#)

Creativity Club Terms 5&6

The OG Creativity Club is now bookable for terms 5&6! Mondays @ LRR for Y1&2 & Thursdays @ WR for Y3-6. 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!
<https://www.chandosatelier.co.uk/bookings>

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.

Reporting Illness & Appointments

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.

Positive Parenting & Online Safety Advice for Parents and Carers

Friday 1st May 2026
LRR Hall



We know that being a parent/carer is a hard job.

Whether your child is 4 or 11, we are running a session that is open to all St John's families to help support your job of being a parent/carer.

Session 1: Positive Parenting – Mr Tony Weir 9.10am - 9.50am

- Helping parents/carers raise happy children
- Strategies to listen and talk effectively with your child
- Bringing calm to the family with rules and routines that work
- Boosting children's confidence
- Parent/Carer self-care
- Establishing firm foundations to take into teenage life

Session 2: Online Safety – Mrs Lynda Hood 10.00am - 10.40am

- Becoming more cyber aware
- Gaining a better understanding of online & cyber risks
- Use of technical and non-technical measures to help mitigate threats

The sessions will run back to back with a 10-minute break in between to have a drink and chat to other parent/carers.

IT'S NEVER TOO EARLY OR LATE TO START PUTTING THINGS IN PLACE AT HOME!

[PLEASE BOOK USING THIS ONLINE FORM](#)

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ST JOHN'S DISCO

TICKETS: £5

FRI 20 MARCH

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STALLS FOR
TATTOOS, NAILS,
HAIR & UNIFORM

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JUNIORS 5.45pm - 6.45pm
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- ✓ Cookery Workshop
- ✓ Crazy Science
- ✓ Disney Dance
- ✓ Make a High School Musical

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Could you tell if your child was being exploited?



Join one of our free online sessions led by Child Exploitation Prevention Officer **Andri Nicolaou**

18 March 7:00 - 8:30pm **30 March 10:30am - 12:00pm**

Learn about the different forms of child exploitation and how offenders groom/exploit children both online and offline. We'll highlight warning signs a child may be at risk and practical steps you can take to keep them safe and respond to any concerns.

Visit the **Avon and Somerset Police Eventbrite page**
or scan the QR codes below

18 March



30 March



