

St John's CE First School

Newsletter

Friday 1st May 2026

**Love Protect Succeed**



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## DIARY DATES 2025-26

5th May	Leavers and Class Photos
8th May	David Attenborough Day
12th May	Saplings and Oaks Ironworks Visit
21st May	Sports Day (weather dependent)
22nd May	Non Uniform Day—please donate a tombola prize
4th June	Prayer Space (Acorns Families Welcome)
16th June	Oaks Boscobel House Visit
1st July	Move up day for all.
7th July	Annie performances 1.30pm and 5.30pm
8th July	Annie performances 1.30pm and 5.30pm
16th July	Leavers Service 10.30 All welcome Picnic on the school field. All welcome.



St John's First School  
Christian value  
for this half term is: **Respect**

'Do to others as you would have them do to you

*Matthew 7:12*



**Please remember the staff car park is off limits to parents.**  
**Please do not use it at any time.**

### Child of the Week

Well done to the following children, week ending 1st May 26

Squirrels Everly  
Acorns Charlotte  
Saplings Lily  
Madison  
Oaks Sofia  
Ralph

### Good as Gold

Well done to the following children, week ending 1st May

Acorns Erin  
Saplings Barney  
Oaks Teddy

### Attendance

Well done to the following classes for the week ending 1st May

Squirrels 98%  
Acorns 85%  
Year 1 97%  
Year 2 100%  
Year 3 100%  
Year 4 98%

WS Year to date  
95.48%

This term we have welcomed:

Miss Willims from Birmingham City University who will be working with our children in Oaks Class.

Saplings have welcomed Miss Greatbach from City of Wolverhampton University.

Say hello if you see them around and about!

## Race For Life

### Janine's Cheerleaders

The school team will be taking part in this years Race for Life at Weston Park.

This year is more personal than ever for us as our own Mrs Ashe is currently battling cancer.

If you would like to sponsor us, we have a team page:

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/team/janines-cheerleaders-2026>



As the weather is changing, please ensure your child is still wearing safe and sensible school shoes.

Open toed sandals and crocs are not safe for children who are running around, so please don't put your child in these.

Thank you!



## Design an Ice-cream Competition



All designs will be used to decorate the PTA'S new ice cream freezer so make sure they are fun, bright and good enough to eat.

The winner will receive a free ice cream at the summer fair.

Send your entries into the office before 29th June.

Friday 22nd April  
Non Uniform Day

Please donate a prize for the Summer Fair tombola stall.



## Teddy Tombola

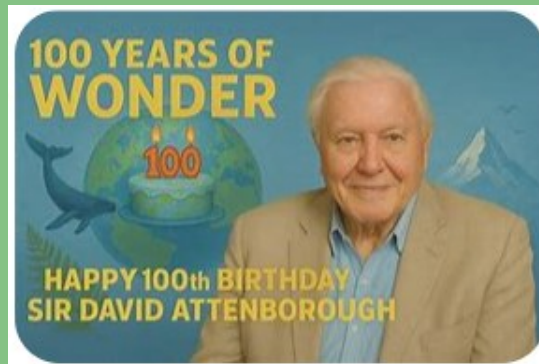
Please donate any unwanted or unloved soft toys for this year's Teddy Tombola. Please bring to the office before 22nd May so they can have a bath before setting off on their next adventure.



## Friday 8th May

There is a growing distance between children and the natural world — more time indoors, more time online, fewer wild spaces within easy reach. Sir David Attenborough has spent his life building bridges across that distance. He is living proof that wonder is contagious, that one person paying close attention can inspire millions more to do the same. On May 8, 2026, we will join the world in celebrating **Sir David Attenborough's 100th birthday**. Let's recognize his ongoing legacy, celebrate his efforts and join his mission to protect the natural world!

- We will be celebrating Sir David Attenborough's 100 Birthday with a picnic.
- Lunches need ordering by today for Nursery and Oaks. Please email the office if your child needs one. Acorns and Saplings will be ordered one, however if you plan to send one from home please let us know.
- We will also be focusing on forest school and outdoor activities during the day.
- Children can come in natural coloured clothing, greens, beiges, browns and creams etc.
- Please bring donations of sweet pea, summer plants, garden equipment, large garden canes, compost etc to help us brighten up the school environment.



### Sports Day

Thursday 21st May

Weather Dependant

Saplings and Oaks

Drop children off at school and then set up on the field for an early start.

Early Years

Parents arrive at 1.45pm for a 2pm start.

Children should wear their PE shorts and a t shirt in their house colour.

Please ask if you don't know what house your child is in.

Please be considerate when parking in the village as we do get complaints.

Do not park on the yellow zigzag lines or at dropped curbs.

Please apply an all day suncream and send sunhats!



**WE NEED YOU!**

**Become a Cub Scout  
Leader!**

Do you love adventure, creativity, and making a difference?  
Join our Cub Scout team and help young people grow, learn, and have FUN!

What you'll be doing:

- 🔥 Teaching new skills
- 🧠 Getting creative
- 📌 Exploring & having adventures
- 👉 Helping young people aged 8 to 11 build confidence & friendships

When we meet:

- 📅 17 Thursdays
- 🕒 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM
- 📍 Wheaton Aston

📧 Interested? Email Alice at [16thstaffordwa@gmail.com](mailto:16thstaffordwa@gmail.com)



My School Fund is an exciting initiative that combines the spending power of parents, guardians and carers in order to boost school and nursery budgets. By registering, individuals can link their spend to your school/nursery, meaning every time they make a purchase with participating retailers you both benefit through an innovative cashback scheme.

For every £1 spent in store, 1% will go to school/nursery () and 2% will go to the individual.



Please can all families check their parentpay accounts and clear off any debt. We are already awaiting a significant amount. In lunches and Willows payments.