



St. Sampson's Church of England Primary School

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Term 1 - Number 2

Thursday, 13th September 2018

Thank you to all the parents who have come along to the year group information sessions with the class teachers. If you were unable to make these sessions, then please make sure that you have had a look at the relevant information on our website and the curriculum overviews sent out via parentmail. In addition, please do catch up with your child's class teacher if you are unsure about anything or have any questions regarding homework or class systems.

The new FS2 children have continued part time this week but have stayed for lunch. We have been really impressed with how well they have settled in. We have also been delighted with the Year 5 buddies who have supported their FS2 child at playtimes and at lunchtimes. It has been a pleasure to see this system working so well and it is all down to the children in Year 5 and FS2. Well done!

Finally, I remain really impressed with attendance and punctuality; thank you. However, please can I remind you that children should not be left unaccompanied on the school site until 8:35am. We have had some children arriving early this week and they are not supervised at this time. Don't forget that Smartzone is available if you need before school childcare. Thank you.

Jennifer Bayne

House Captains - Terms 1 & 2

We are delighted to be able to announce our Year 6 House Captains for the next two terms. Well done to the following children for being awarded this role by the staff at our School.

St Patrick - **Megan & Theo**

St George - **Evie & Oscar W. M**

St David - **Martha & Alex**

St Andrew - **Sophie & Joe**



St Sampson's Stars!

A big well done to all our stars of the week ☺

Kingfishers - Toby & Rebecca

Puffins - Matilda & Joseph

Woodpeckers - Liam & Alfie

2L - Isla & Ellias

2S - Kara & Bobby

3/4B - Scarlett & Joshua

3/4O - Jack & Frankie

3/4W - Charlie & Lucy

5C - Evie & Jonah

5R - Laila & Tomas

6B - Kieran & Elizabeth

6R - Filippo & Darcey



FRIENDS OF ST SAMPSON'S ASSOCIATION' AGM - WE NEED YOU!

The Annual General Meeting of the Friends of St Sampson's will take place on Wednesday, 26th September in the School @ 3:20pm. All parents are warmly invited to come along.

The FSSA will be planning fundraising events for the year for our children as well as looking at strategic spending to support the children's learning in our school. Please do come and support the FSSA - we need new people to join our team (you are all members automatically) and hope that lots of you (new and old parents!) will come along. The FSSA plays a highly valuable role in providing your children with the 'extras' that make our school special.

School Council

This week, each class has been holding school council elections for two representatives from their class, a main rep. and a deputy rep. to join this pupil body. In the build up to this, the children have watched and discussed a presentation about the role and what it means to vote and choose someone that will be a fair representative for their class as well as contribute to the whole school.

The school council also has a pupil executive, which are two of the older children who then meet with me on a regular basis. Mrs Baker and Mrs Ayres help facilitate the meetings of the school council representatives. The school council reps. then feedback to their class and to the meetings.

The school council also have a budget that they are responsible for spending on behalf of the pupils across the school.

Well done to everyone who has put themselves forward as a candidate to be a School Council Representative for their class and good luck in the class elections!

Singing Success!

We are very proud of **Faye (5R)** who took her LAMDA Musical Theatre Grade 1 Solo singing exam in July Faye did brilliantly and passed this exam with distinction. Well done! 😊

Swimming Success!

We are thrilled to hear that **Quinn (3/4W)** has achieved his level 4 Learn to Swim certificate and badge. He had to complete all 10 swimming and water challenges to get this award! 😊

School Uniform

As I said in last week's newsletter, I am very impressed with how smart the children are coming to school. Thank you very much for your support with this. However, we have had quite a few 'lost' sweatshirts and cardigans, particularly at lunchtime when the children take them off as it is warmer. If these are not named, it is difficult to work out who owns what and return them to their owner. Please can you make sure that all uniform has a name in it. The same is true for lunch boxes please.

Jeans for Genes Day

A week tomorrow, on **Friday, 21st September**, children are allowed to wear denim (or their own clothes) rather than uniform in exchange for a donation for this charity. They don't need to wear their school jumpers but something that is more appropriate with this casual look!

