



Our St John's Turing Scheme group has returned from their unforgettable adventure in Singapore, and what an incredible time they had. From soaring over the city on the Mount Faber cable car and exploring Sentosa, to discovering smart farming at Kok Tah and diving into hands-on STEM at the Science Centre- our learners embraced every moment. They took in breathtaking views on the Singapore Flyer, met the iconic Merlion and sampled incredible local food along the way. A brilliant mix of culture, innovation and real-world learning filled every moment of their time, and we know they made memories to last a lifetime. Watch this space for news of future cultural experiences for our students.



We have some brand new clubs launched this term as part of our Summer Enrichment Programme, including Bracelet Making Club, Card Game Club, Athletics Club and Bingo Club. Miss Heads has also launched a brand new Year 7 Book Club who are loving the latest version of "The Magic Faraway Tree". Students have been reading at home and bringing the story to life during Thursday's Enrichment sessions with fun activities. They have explored older versions of the book, created characters using wooden peg dolls and shared some great discussions along the way! To celebrate all their hard work, they will finish the term with a special treat: watching the movie together. We are not sure who is enjoying these sessions the most - the students or Miss Heads!



Our students looked very much at home on the stage at Gala Durham Theatre



before Easter as they took part in their second annual Schools Drama Festival. This year, the theme was April Fools and there were laughs a plenty in St John's performance of Cluedo Goes Wrong, devised by our talented Sixth Form Theatre Company and KS3 Drama Club. Congratulations to all of the students and to Miss Liddle for a truly entertaining performance. We are certain this won't be the last time you see these students tread the boards in a professional theatre.



The Girls' Football World Cup was held at St John's on Friday. This event is a local competition for our feeder primary schools and provided another valuable opportunity to strengthen links within our school community. The competition was supported and led by our Year 8 Sports Leaders, who played an integral role in organising fixtures, officiating matches and supporting younger pupils throughout the day. This leadership opportunity helped to develop their confidence, responsibility and teamwork while also promoting participation and enjoyment in girls' football.



A WORD FROM LISA BYRON, HEADTEACHER

Spotlight on... Enrichment

Our school community continue to soar this year, lifted by the fantastic enrichment opportunities our students have embraced. From cultural trips that open their eyes to the wider world, to leadership experiences in sport and the arts, our young people are spreading their wings and discovering just how high they can fly.

Students have stepped into leadership roles across sports and the arts, developing confidence, teamwork and creativity along the way. Whether representing the school on the pitch, performing on stage or leading younger pupils through collaborative projects, they have shown exactly what can be achieved when talent meets opportunity.

Our lunchtime and after-school clubs remain varied and exciting and it has been wonderful to see students immersing themselves in everything from gardening to gaming, proof that there truly is something for everyone. These clubs not only nurture skills but also help students build friendships, discover new interests and feel even more connected to school life.

We are already busy planning an even more exciting range of opportunities and cultural experiences for the next academic year. We look forward to sharing these with you soon and continuing to offer students the chance to explore, grow and shine.

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COMING UP THIS WEEK

Monday 27- Good luck to our GCSE Drama students whose Drama practical exam is taking place on Monday, followed by our A Level Drama practical exam on Thursday.

Tuesday 28- Duke of Edinburgh Silver Practice Expedition. Good luck to all of our Year 10 students taking part in this expedition in preparation for their Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award.

Friday 1 May- Year 10 mock interviews. All Year 10 students will get the opportunity to participate in a 'mock interview' with an external company or agency in preparation for future interview situations.

LAST WEEK'S ACHIEVEMENTS



We love to celebrate and share our students' achievements, both in and out of school. If your child has a success they would like to share with us and are happy for it to be posted on our Facebook and Instagram pages, please email it, along with a photo, to Mrs Rose, Assistant Headteacher, at nrose@stjohns.bhcet.org.uk.



ClassCharts
Year 7 Top Achievers
 Isobel M 7Y
 Jason L 7O
 Lily B 7O
 Nikodem F 7O
 Jonah R 7Y
 Callum H 7O

Year 8 Top Achievers
 Evelyn K 8M
 Salem C 8H
 Emily B 8M
 Nathan M 8M
 Guru S 8A
 Tamarah M 8R

Year 9 Top Achievers
 Poppy Y 9M
 Lexi K 9M
 Tom C 9A
 Riley H 9M
 Sophia A 9A
 Harvey T 9Y

Year 10 Top Achievers
 Lexi-Mae B 10A
 Michelle E 10Y
 Charlie T 10N
 Mina S-E 10J
 Ryan D 10A
 Ewan R 10M

Year 11 Top Achievers
 Skye H 11O
 Madelyn A 11N
 Jacob B 11A
 Matthew L 11N
 Reuben S 11J
 Molly D 11A

High Five FRIDAY
 24 April 2026

Virtues

Willow H 11J (NRO) Confidence and Self-Belief
 Joel J 11J (NRO) Confidence and Self-Belief
 Robert B 11R (NRO) Confidence and Self-Belief
 Evan B 11A (NRO) Confidence and Self-Belief
 Gracie-Rose S 9A (NRO) Resilience

Respect, Responsibility, Honesty, Self-Belief, Confidence, Resilience, Justice, Compassion

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Year 7

Oliver C 7A (ATU)	Danyll M 7A (SGO)	Jack C 7M (CMA)
Colby S 7J (ATU)	Abbie C 7H (SGO)	Esmee U 7M (CMA)
Luca Z 7J (DDE)	Pippa S 7R (SGO)	Boaz F 7M (CMA)
Francesca H (DDE)	Oliver W 7R (SGO)	Ella H 7M (CMA)
Eleanor S 7U (OWA)	James W 7A (SCO)	Niko F 7O (CMA)
Samuel H 7Y (COS)	Oscar I 7R (SCO)	Jack J 7A (DHA)
Dinny A 7M (HRO)	Macy H 7Y (SCO)	Callum H 7O (DHA)
Cerliena Taylor 7Y (HRO)	Lottie P 7R (SCO)	Logan Leigh B 7N (GMC)
Archie P 7M (CSW)	Ellie S 7R (SCO)	Bella L 7N (GMC)
Reuben C 7J (CSW)	Roman T 7A (SCO)	Sofia H 7A (SEB)
Ella H 7M (CSW)	Christopher B 7J (SCO & EMO)	Ellis W 7A (SEB)
Eleanor S 7M (CSW)	Thomas-Henry H 7M (SCO)	Callum H 7O (SEB)
Lily B 7O (LCU)	Thomas-James C 7H (COS & SGO)	Lois L 7O (SEB)
Athena A 7J (EMO)	Toby H 7J (EMO)	Teddi D 7J (EMO)
Andrea F 7J (EMO)		

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Year 8

Pola K 8N (DDE)	Emily B 8M (SCO)
Hope T 8N (DDE)	Michael I 8R (CSW)
Harry M 8M (DDE)	Leo G 8R (CSW)
Guru S 8A (CHA)	Charlotte W 8R (CSW)
Heidi R 8O (CHA)	Emily M 8J (DHA)
Tommy S 8N (OWA)	Evelyn K 8R (DHA)
Olivia S 8J (OWA)	George J 8M (AWR)
Maurisa-Rose B 8A (COS)	Henri B 8R (SGO)
	Carolina A 8O (SGO)

High Five FRIDAY
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Year 9

Summer B 9H (DDE)	Ruby M 9H (DDE)	Cleviana C 9O (DDE & EMO)	Dominic O 9M (ATU)	Harry G 9A (ATU)	Harry T 9M (ATU)	Sophia A 9A (COS)	Milana D 9J (COS & HCO)	Ella W 9J (CHA)	Frankie T 9H (CHA)	Harvey T 9Y (CHA)
Zi Xuan Lin 9O (SCO)	Tommy-Steven K 9J (SCO)	Zak H 9O (SCO)	Oli K 9O (SCO)	Frankie B 9J (SCO)	Sally B 9J (SCO)	Chloe M 9J (SCO & JKE)	Neve O 9J (SGO)	Lucy C 9J (SGO)		

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Year 10

Amber W 10R (DDE)	Megan P 10Y (DDE)	Sophie H 10A (OWA)	Jessica B 10A (OWA)	Michelle E 10Y (JKE)	Isabella 10A (JKE)	Anna M 10M (JKE)	Ewan R 10M (JKE)	Charlie T 10N (JKE & EMO)	Esther L 10J (COS)	Eve B 10R (LDV)	Kibbi JM 10O (SGO)	Gracie B 10M (CHA)
Sophie T 10N (SEB)	Isabelle D 10Y (SEB)	Jessica A 10A (SEB)	Connor A 10Y (SEB)	Artem S 10J (LCU)	Savannah-Leigh H 10M (AWR)	Mason G 10Y (AWR)	Maya W 10J (GMC)	Thomas T 10A (GMC)	Ryan D 10A (LCU)	James D 10M (LCU)	Charlie N 10O (EMO)	Lacey M 10J (EMO)

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Year 11

Ava R 11A (ATU)	Ava S 11N (ATU & EMO)	Hannah S 11J (ATU)	Maiya J 11 (ATU)	Libby S 11R (DDE & NRO)	Eve B 11O (DDE)	Ella D 11N (VNI)	Robert B 11R (COS)	Evie S 11O (DHA)	Ava T 11R (LDV)	Michael E 11M (LDV)	Ben B 11H (EMO)	Neve E 11O (EMO)
Joel A 11N (AWR)	Eve M 11R (NRO)	Maebh S 11R (NRO)	Lexi B 11R (NRO)	Eden W 11Y (NRO)	Nadia I 11M (NRO)	Hannah B 11R (NRO)	Katie W 11O (NRO)	Harry B 11Y (NRO)	Lewis W 11A (NRO)	Freddie C 11A (NRO)	Skye H 11O (CHA & NRO)	Ellie-Mae H 11O (AWR & NRO)

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Year 12

Finn H 12S (DDE & EST)
 Beth K 12T (DDE & BST)
 Julia W 12S (EST)
 Donald B 12B (OWA & LDV)

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Year 13

Beth T 13C (EST)
 Harriet F 13E (EST)
 Jack R 13C (NRO)
 A Level PE Class (ATU/MW/JISO)

Imogen C 13C (SLO)
 Lauren F 13A (SLO)
 Lily H 13R (SLO)
 Annemarie K 13E (SLO)
 Jonny L 13C (SLO)
 Keeva R 13E (SLO)



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- ☐ **Monday 5 May-** External exams begin
- ☐ **Monday 18 May-** Year 10 Work Experience
- ☐ **Wednesday 20 May-** Year 7 Retreat
- ☐ **Friday 22 May-** Break up for half term
- ☐ **Friday 22 May-** Year 13 Leavers' BBQ
- ☐ **Monday 1 June-** School reopens
- ☐ **Monday 15 June-** Year 5 Week 1
- ☐ **Monday 22 June-** Year 5 Week 2
- ☐ **Thursday 25 June-** Virtue Awards
- ☐ **Tuesday 30 June-** Year 11 Prom
- ☐ **Thursday 2 July-** Year 6 Welcome Evening
- ☐ **Monday 6/ Tuesday 7 July-** Little Shop of Horrors school production
- ☐ **Thursday 9/ Friday 10 July-** Year 6 Induction
- ☐ **Tuesday 14 July-** Whole school liturgies
- ☐ **Friday 17 July-** Break up for Summer
- ☐ **Wednesday 2 September-** School reopens for all students



I Heard a Whisper...

This week is an extra special 'I Heard a Whisper', dedicated to one very special lady. Bernadette, the friendly and welcoming face who greets parents and visitors at Main Reception, is retiring this week after over 20 years of service at St John's. We wanted to take this opportunity to thank her for all of her years of dedication to our learning community and her wonderful smile, warm personality and incredible care which have brightened up the lives of so many of our students, staff and parents and carers, as well as countless visitors, over the years. She will be a huge miss and we wish her a very happy retirement.

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Artist of the Week



Jack Johnson 7A