



# News Feed

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***We've had another lovely week at St John's despite the chilly weather!***

## Celebrations!

We have all enjoyed our Celebration Assembly this morning.

We have also enjoyed welcoming the parents/carers of those children who were awarded the Star of the Week award. They joined us to see their child presented with the award. There were some very proud faces in the crowd!

This week's Stars of the Week are listed below:



Hedgehogs	Hirad
Squirrels	Tom
Orangutans	Soi
Pandas	Tife
Giraffes	Gaurinanda
Koalas	Anastasia
Lions	Mus'Ab
Tigers	Syed
Badgers	Phoebe
Foxes	Elsa
Meerkats	Charlie
Zebras	Elliot

## Prayer of the Week

Dear God

We thank you for our friends. Thank you that we have friends to learn and play with. Help us to be a good friend to others, particularly those who feel lonely.  
Amen

## Reading Celebrations

This week's reading award, going to the class with the highest average accuracy level from their accelerated reader quizzes this week, goes to **Koalas!**



Our individual reader award, for a child with the highest points this week on quizzing, goes to **Eden in Tigers!**



## Attendance Award

This week's attendance award is going to Tigers Class and Meerkats Class, who had an attendance of 96% this week! They will get to enjoy a non-school uniform day on Friday the 19th January as a reward for their amazing attendance.

**Well Done Tigers and Meerkats classes!**



## Mr Christmas

It is with mixed emotions we share that Mr Christmas will be leaving us. We are delighted for him as he starts a new adventure but sad for St John's as we say goodbye. I am sure you will join with me in thanking him for his work over the years from Nursery TA to our Forest School Leader and After School Club Leader.

## Medical Appointments

**Please can you provide evidence of any medical appointments your child is attending otherwise their absence will be marked as unauthorised.**

## Books and beyond!

This week 20 children from Y3 and Y6 took part in a 'Books and Beyond' project which is a partnership collaboration with Canterbury Christchurch University. They visited the very impressive and enormous CCCU library and met up with Student Teachers to share books, tell stories and talk about their reading likes and dislikes. The pupils had a great time and are looking forward to repeating the visit over the next 3 weeks.



## Dates for your diary

Parent consultations will be held on 29th to 31st January. They will be 10 minute appointments between 3.20pm and 4.50pm.

Details of how to book your appointment will be shared shortly.

The Education People's Early Years and Childcare Service would like parents, carers and expectant parents to complete a survey (link below) so that they can determine your interest in the childcare entitlements that are being introduced this year and arrangements for wraparound care of any primary school aged children and whether you want to use more childcare so that they can see where the gaps are in provision.

<https://www.kelsi.org.uk/news-and-events/news/primary/expanded-childcare-parental-survey>



## Puppet Making

### Would you like to:

- Use puppets with children to bring stories alive
- Make a selection of puppets and props
- Make a box puppet theatre
- Use puppets to tell and perform a favourite or made up story

**Venue:** Poppy Children's Centre

Parklife, Memorial Park, Kings Road, Herne Bay, CT6 5RG

**Date:** Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> February 2024

**Time:** 10:00am – 12:00pm

**More information:** This session is for parents and children of all ages, up to 11 years old.

**To Book:** Please contact Poppy Children's Centre to book your space, [poppychildrenscentre@kent.gov.uk](mailto:poppychildrenscentre@kent.gov.uk) or 03000 422889

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