

Welcome back to our families and we hope you have all had a lovely Christmas. It's been an eventful start to 2026, with the introduction of a 1-hour lunch for all children and the exciting build-up of 'phase 1' OPAL lunchtimes, from next week. Thank you for your kind donations which we are sure the children are going to love using. Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

Dates for your diary 2025/26

w/c Monday 12th January – After School Clubs Spring Term 1 begin
Monday 12th January - Year 1 Parents' Phonics Meeting, 3pm
Monday 12th – Friday 16th January – Year 6 Play in a Week
Thursday 15th January – FS2 & KS1 Try A Dinner Day
Tuesday 20th January – Imagineers Class Meet & Greet
Tuesday 3rd – Thursday 5th February – Y5 Residential
Tuesday 10th February – Year 1 Trip
Wednesday 11th February – Young Voices Concert
Monday 16th – Friday 20th February – Half Term Holiday

Important Information

We have children in school with severe Egg and Nut allergies. Please do not send these food items into school.

Thank you for your co-operation.

St John's Safeguarding Leads

Mr Rizzo – Principal
Mrs Godley– Vice Principal
Mrs Thackery – Business Manager

Inset days for 2026

Friday 24th July

Monday 27th July

Full calendar can be found on our website

<https://www.stjohnsworksop.co.uk/school-holidays-and-inset-days/>

Rainbow Rewards

Value of the Week is
British Values – Serving Our Community

F2 Enquirers	Jacob and Tommy
F2 Inquisitors	Isaac and Evelyn
Y1 Imagineers	Sofia and Neve
Y1 Inspectors	Amie and Sonia
Y2 Searchers	Leo and Hunter
Y3 Adventurers	Sterling and Alfie
Y4 Discoverers	Maddie and Aliza
Y4 Explorers	Curtis and Peter
Y5 Entrepreneurs	Oscar and Leo H
Y5 Inspirers	Mason and Zach W
Y6 Endeavours	James and Adelaide
Y6 Voyagers	Franky and Max

House Attendance

This Week

Aderin	97.29%
Earhart	98.26%
Johnson	97.17%
Sharman	95.92%

Last Week

Aderin	96.31%
Earhart	95.48%
Johnson	92.56%
Sharman	95.15%

Good Work Worship

We're pleased to be able to invite you to your child's class Good Work Worship.

They are held from 10am-10.20am in the school hall. We hope you will be able to join us.

The dates up to February half term are:

Cancelled - Inquisitors – Tuesday 13th January 2026

Endeavours – Tuesday 27th January

Explorers – Tuesday 10th February

Change of date for Imagineers, now Wednesday 15th April

Community Food Hub

Our Community Shop Food To Go surprise bags are on sale on Tuesdays from 2.30pm.

A text reminder will be sent out to let you know they are available.

Each bag costs £5 and can be purchased with cash (preferred) or card payment.

Please bring a large carrier bag if you can.

Please be aware that we have no control over the quality and quantity of items provided each week. With this in mind please note that prices may vary each week to reflect this.

School Attendance and Absence

The law requires that all children of compulsory school age receive full-time education. Where a child is enrolled at a school, parents and carers are responsible for making sure that their child attends school regularly.

As a parent or carer, you play the most important role in your child's education and in supporting their attendance. Please follow the link for further details:

<https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/school-discipline-and-exclusions/attendance-absence>

Hygiene at School

To help with hygiene within school, we are ensuring all classrooms have hand sanitiser for children to use, particularly when they return from the toilet, playtime, snack time and lunch times.

We hope you will join us in raising the profile of good hand hygiene and will talk to children at home about washing hands or sanitising regularly, both at home and at school.

Lunch Menus


You can find the lunch menus for this term on our website via this link:
[School Lunches | St Johns C of E Primary School](#)

Wraparound Care Price Increase

A reminder that Wraparound Care Fees increased from the beginning of September 2025 and are now as follows:

Breakfast Session per day	£4.00
After school Session per day	£8.00
Late Collection (per 5 minutes)	£7.00

Imagineers exploring their penguin themed provision this week.



Exploring our Penguin themed provision this week!





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Well done to all the children who earned Starbooks last half term! Lots of children have made super progress and shown a love of reading!

Remember, if you want to earn yourself a place this term, you need to read the required amount set by your class teacher to get the stamps at the back of your reading diary.





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Are you autistic, or do you support an adult, child or young person who is?

Over the next year, the Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care System (ICS) is co-producing a new All-Age Autism Strategy, during monthly Sub-Group meetings.

By joining the **All-Age Autism Strategy Review Sub-Group**, you can use your lived experience to:

- Make the strategy meaningful for autistic people.
- Help the ICS prioritise its areas of focus over the next 3 years.
- Identify the barriers to accessing services faced by autistic people.
- Shape how the ICS will deliver its statutory requirements.

Co-produce the All-Age Autism Strategy with us



Details of the first meeting:

Meeting Date: Wednesday 4 February 2026

Meeting Time: 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Meeting Location: County Hall, NG2 7QP

- Future meetings will either be online or in-person, depending on their focus.
- You do not need to attend every meeting, as we will provide regular progress updates.

To find out more or tell us you want to be involved:

- Email the Co-production Team on nn.icbcoproductionteam@nhs.net, or
- Join our mailing list by scanning the QR code to complete the Sign-Up Form.



Wellbeing Page

Handle With Care

We would like to provide all families with additional support during those times when things may be difficult at home. We understand it is not always easy to share details with school, especially at the classroom door and that's okay.

If your child is coming to school after a difficult night, morning or weekend; please message the school office with your child's name, class and "Handle With Care" and these will be passed staff members.

Nothing else will be said or asked but this will let us know that your child may need extra time, patience or help during the day.

At St John's we believe that everyone has the right to feel safe and be who they are. Our school is a place where everyone can feel safe and happy and we will always treat bullying seriously.

What is bullying?

Bullying is when someone hurts someone else, by using behaviour or words which are meant to frighten or hurt that person.

Several Times On Purpose

What should I do?
Ask them to stop if you can.
Ask them to go away.
Ignore them.
Walk away.
Get help.

Start Telling Other People

Who can I tell?
A friend, parents/carers, teachers, a trusted adult.



Young Carers Service

FREE

A support service to help identify and support Young Carers in education

- Advice on how to support Young Carers in Education
- Young Carer themed Assemblies
- Staff meetings & Inset training
- Young Carer Champion training
- Resources



www.nottinghamshirecarers.co.uk
info@nottinghamshirecarers.co.uk
01773 833 833

Key Dates for School Admissions



The following gives information about the key dates for the Nottinghamshire County Council coordinated scheme.

Offers are communicated through Nottinghamshire County Council's online system.

Further details here:

<https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/school-admissions/hub>

	Open date	Close date	Offer date
Secondary	4 August 2025	31 October 2025	2 March 2026
Primary	3 November 2025	15 January 2026	16 April 2026

Foundation1 (Nursery)

The following gives information about the key dates for our published scheme for applications to Foundation 1 (Nursery), dealt with directly by the Academy. Offers are communicated via email.

Further details here:

<https://www.stjohnsworksop.co.uk/nurseryf1-curious-creators/>

Intake	Deadline for Applications	Offers Made
Spring Intake 2026 (January 2026)	W/E 28th June 2025	W/C 15th July 2025
Summer Intake 2026 (April 2026)	W/E 26th September 2025	W/C 13th October 2025
Autumn Intake 2026 (September 2026)	W/E 27th March 2026	W/C 20th April 2026
Spring Intake 2027 (January 2027)	W/E 26th June 2026	W/C 13th July 2027



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TALK

PANTS

AND STAY SAFE, LIKE PANTOSAURUS

P PRIVATES ARE PRIVATE

A ALWAYS REMEMBER YOUR BODY BELONGS TO YOU

N O MEANS NO

TALK ABOUT SECRETS THAT UPSET YOU

SPEAK UP, SOMEONE CAN HELP

NSPCC

EVERY CHILDHOOD IS WORTH FIGHTING FOR



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BRITISH VALUES AT ST JOHN'S C OF E ACADEMY

SERVING OUR COMMUNITY

WE STRIVE TO DEVELOP CLOSE LINKS WITH THE
COMMUNITY WE SERVE.



TOLERANCE & PEACE

WE LEARN ABOUT TOLERANCE AND
RESPECT FOR PEOPLE OF DIFFERENT
RELIGIONS AND CULTURAL
BACKGROUNDS SO WE CAN BE AT
PEACE IN OUR COMMUNITIES.

MUTUAL RESPECT

WE DISCUSS AND
APPRECIATE THE
DIFFERENCES BETWEEN
PEOPLE- FAITH, ETHNICITY,
GENDER, SEXUALITY, YOUNG
CARERS AND DISABILITY.



DEMOCRACY

WE LEARN ABOUT THE
IMPORTANCE OF FREEDOM
OF SPEECH, HOLD MOCK
ELECTIONS AND SPEAK TO OUR
MP AND LOCAL POLITICIANS.



INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY

WE PROVIDE
OPPORTUNITIES
TO DEVELOP
SELF-ESTEEM AND
CONFIDENCE AS
INDIVIDUALS ACROSS
THE CURRICULUM.



TRUTH & JUSTICE

WE HAVE AGREED RULES
AND EXPECTATIONS SO
THAT OUR SCHOOL IS A
SAFE AND HAPPY PLACE
FOR ALL AND WHERE
DIFFERENCES ARE
RECONCILED PEACEFULLY.



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Safeguarding for parents

What is safeguarding?

Safeguarding ensures that every child, regardless of their age, disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex, or sexual orientation, has a right to equal protection from harm. It's the steps that people take to protect children and vulnerable people from harm.



Examples of safeguarding concerns to look out for:



Physical

A group of children pushing or hitting a smaller child when an adult isn't looking.



Emotional

A crying child running towards their parent who responds in a harsh manner using inappropriate language.



Sexual

A teenage girl walking home being catcalled and harassed, or being touched without consent.



Neglect

A child wearing the same dirty clothes every day and stealing food from other children.



How can you help?

If you ever see anything happen to a child that makes you feel uncomfortable, please let your safeguarding lead / person know. You're not causing problems - you could save a child from unnecessary harm.

Any one of these things might not mean anything, but if your safeguarding lead / person isn't told, they can't help.

Talk to me
about your
concerns

Speak to:

Mr Rizzo, Mrs Godley or Mrs Thackery

For more support with safeguarding, search

Tes safeguarding advice

Are You a Young Carer?

Would you like to travel on the tram or bus for **FREE**?



Aged 5 - 17? Contact Young Carers Notts to get a FREE travel card!



Tel: 0115 824 8824 (9am - 5pm, Mon- Fri)

WhatsApp: 07860 957 660

Email: youngcarers@tuvida.org

Web: www.youngcarersnotts.co.uk

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SEND Inclusion Service
Communication & Interaction Team



PINS PROJECT PARENT WORKSHOPS

SCHOOLS

As part of the **Partnership for Inclusion of Neurodiversity In Schools Project** **Parents/Carers** of Neurodivergent children from **PINS Schools** are invited to attend **FREE on-line training** to **refresh and reframe your understanding of Neurodiversity (no diagnosis necessary)**

The session will last for approximately 2-hours. There will be opportunities for selected Q&A's during the session

Workshops include the following:

Developing consistent approaches from home and school to ensure neurodiverse children are happy, healthy, supported and ready to learn and able to engage in the classroom, including:

- masking
- boundaries/demands
- transitions, including the transition between home and school

All events below are identical, so you only need to attend one session

These sessions will be delivered by PINS Project Lead - Louise Whitehead

The sessions are taking place **On-line via Microsoft Teams**
To book **CTRL & Click only one of the Links** below:

Attend only
1
session

COST
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PINS PROJECT

Friday, 28th November 2025

at 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. (morning)

<https://notts-parent-event-pins-project-parent-workshop-28-Nov-25.eventbrite.co.uk>

Monday, 8th December 2025

at 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. (afternoon)

<https://notts-parent-event-pins-project-parent-workshop-08-Dec-25.eventbrite.co.uk>

Wednesday, 21st January 2026

at 4:00 p.m. – 6 p.m. (twilight)

<https://notts-parent-event-pins-project-parent-workshop-21-Jan-26.eventbrite.co.uk>