



Excellent 2020 13+ and 11+ Senior School Transfer Results for St John's Boys

I am very pleased to report that both our Year 8 and Year 6 boys have performed impressively in their senior school transfer examinations. All twenty-six Year 8 boys have been offered places at a senior school of their choice for September 2020 and twenty-eight Year 6 boys have received confirmed offers for either September 2020 or September 2022. Please note that some of the Year 6 boys will not begin their entry process for Senior School until Year 7 and 8.

Year 8

Twelve of Year 8 have been offered places at more than one school with nineteen receiving an offer from Merchant Taylors'; six John Lyon; four Berkhamsted; three St Alban's; one Aldenham; one Haberdashers'; one Harrow; one Mill Hill; one Radley College and one St Edward's, Oxford. This is a fantastic reflection on the efforts they have put in. Very well done indeed to every one of them! It is also an excellent advert for the school that Year 8 are likely to be moving on to ten quality

independent senior schools.

In particular seven boys have achieved ten scholarships at 13+. This is made up of five boys achieving seven academic scholarships and three boys achieving the following scholarships: one all-rounder and two for sport. Our most able boys have performed very well indeed. Two of them were placed in the top three in the Merchant Taylors' Entrance Examinations and a third finished 8th; so three in the top ten overall at Merchant Taylors'. One of these also finished high up in the Haberdashers' field.

Our senior team had a particularly successful year. Henry Carpmael, Head Boy, achieved a Major Academic award from Merchant Taylors'. Andreas Georgiou, one of the Deputy Head Boys, was awarded a Major Academic Scholarship to both Merchant Taylors' and Haberdashers'. Oliver Southon, the other Deputy Head Boy, was awarded the Major All-Rounder Scholarship from Merchant Taylors'. Yusuf Parwez, who joined St John's in Year 7 from Bristol Grammar School, was awarded a Minor Academic Exhibition from Merchant Taylors'. Yusuf, Zac Addison and Richard Xu received Academic Scholarships from John Lyon. Zac and Charlie Saffer received Sport Scholarships to John Lyon and Mill Hill respectively. There were some other boys who were interviewed and tested at scholarship level.

Year 6

For the first time our Year 6 boys took part in the new entry process to secure a place at Merchant Taylors' for September 2022. This involved three quarters of the cohort and I was extremely impressed with the boys' approach to this new entry system. Their performances overall confirmed their abilities. At this stage nineteen boys have been offered a place at Merchant

Year 8 Destination Schools	
School	Offered
Merchant Taylors'	19
John Lyon	6
Berkhamsted	4
St. Alban's	3
Aldenham	2
Haberdashers'	1
Harrow	1
Mill hill	1
Radley School	1
St. Edward's	1



Taylor's with a number of others on the waiting list. As always we will say farewell to some Year 6 boys at the end of the academic year. This year, eleven boys out of forty two are moving on to their senior schools at 11+ and altogether twenty-eight Year 6 boys have confirmed offers for September 2020 or September 2022.

Eleven of Year 6 have been offered places at more than one school with nineteen receiving an offer from Merchant Taylor's; seven Haberdashers'; three Mill Hill; two John Lyon; two Dr Challoner's; one Eton College; one Immanuel College; one Old Swinford Hospital; one Pinner High; one Radley College; one St Alban's; one Westminster and one Wetherby. We are delighted with these performances and the range of destinations underlines our aim to find the right school for each child, where

they will continue to thrive.

Our most able boys have performed particularly well. Five of them have achieved nine scholarships. This is made up of five boys achieving seven academic scholarships and two achieving two music scholarships. Aarav Rajput achieved Academic Scholarships from both Merchant Taylor's and Haberdashers' as well as a Music Scholarship from Haberdashers'; Vivaan Chhabra achieved both Academic and Music Scholarships from Haberdashers'; Rohan Shinn achieved Academic Scholarships from both Merchant Taylor's and Haberdashers'; Albert Vasvari achieved an Academic Scholarship from Merchant Taylor's and Ansh Soni achieved an Academic Scholarship from Haberdashers'.

Nineteen scholarships were achieved for 2020 Year 8 and Year 6 are as follows:

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Merchant Taylor's

- Henry Carpmael Major Academic Scholarship
- Andreas Georgiou Major Academic Scholarship
- Yusuf Parwez Academic Exhibition
- Aarav Rajput* Academic Scholarship
- Rohan Shinn* Academic Scholarship
- Albert Vasvari* Academic Scholarship

Haberdashers'

- Andreas Georgiou Major Academic Scholarship
- Aarav Rajput* Academic Scholarship
- Vivaan Chhabra* Academic Scholarship
- Rohan Shinn* Academic Scholarship
- Ansh Soni* Academic Scholarship

John Lyon

- Zac Addison Academic Scholarship
- Yusuf Parwez Academic Scholarship
- Richard Xu Academic Scholarship

ALL ROUNDER SCHOLARSHIP

Merchant Taylor's

- Oliver Southon

SPORTS SCHOLARSHIPS

John Lyon

- Zac Addison

Mill Hill

- Charlie Saffer

MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP

Haberdashers'

- Aarav Rajput*
- Vivaan Chhabra*

M.S. Robinson, May 2020

*Year 6 Scholars



Scott Taylor Cup winner announced

During the Spring Term, Year 7 boys studied a series of short stories with a twist. We focused on how the authors structure their stories to make them exciting and dramatic for the reader. All Year 7 boys planned and wrote their own creative short story with a twist. We had three winning stories from each Year 7 form that were sent to Mr Taylor, who judged them. Well done to Raffi, Neal, David, Yusuf, Sam and Alexander for making it to the final round. Mr Taylor was impressed with all the essays. His favourite one was from David Auld, who receives the Scott Taylor Cup this year. Sam and Yusuf gained joint second place.





The only reason for being a bee...

During lockdown nature has been making the most of the good weather and St John's bees have been busy making plenty of honey. So much so that some had to be harvested early this year. In the pictures you can see how the honey is harvested. The honeycomb frames are removed from the beehive, carefully. The wax sealing in the honey is removed with a special shaving tool and then the shaved honeycomb is placed in an extractor, which is a bit like a hand operated spindryer. It spins all the honey away from the comb and it collects in the bottom, all ready for putting into jars!





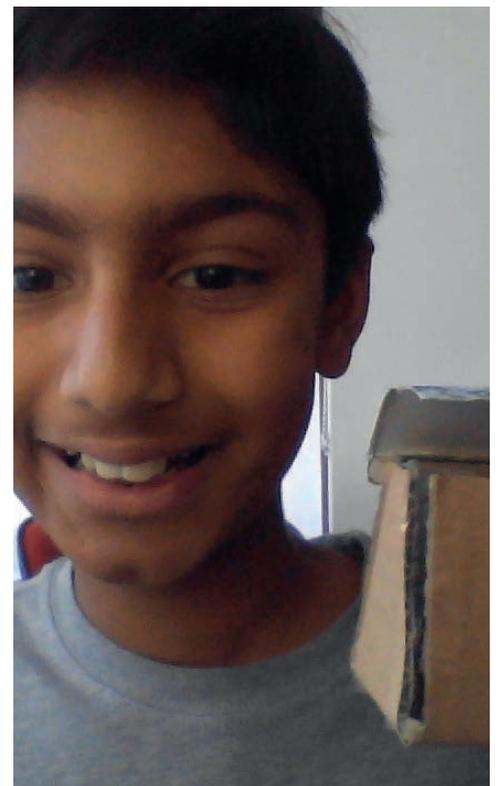
Year 6 packaging challenge

Year 6 have been challenged to design and make packaging for St John's boys to bring fruit into school for their snack. They have had to think about what would appeal to the user, the size of the packaging as well as environmental issues such as which materials to use and whether the materials could be used after the packaging has been finished with. Just look at their amazing work!





Year 6 packaging challenge





Home Activities

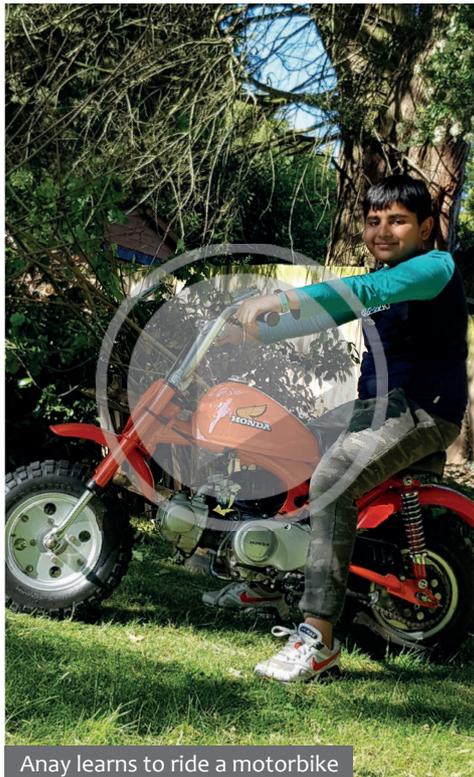
Staying at home but not stuck for things to do, boys have been using their time creatively as these photos show.



Louis trying his hand at homemade pizza



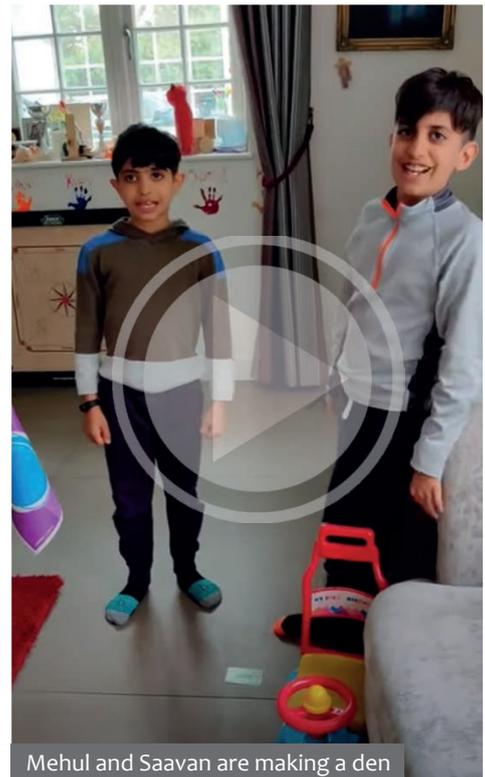
Anay opens his bird bed 'n' breakfast



Anay learns to ride a motorbike



Josh makes an instructional video

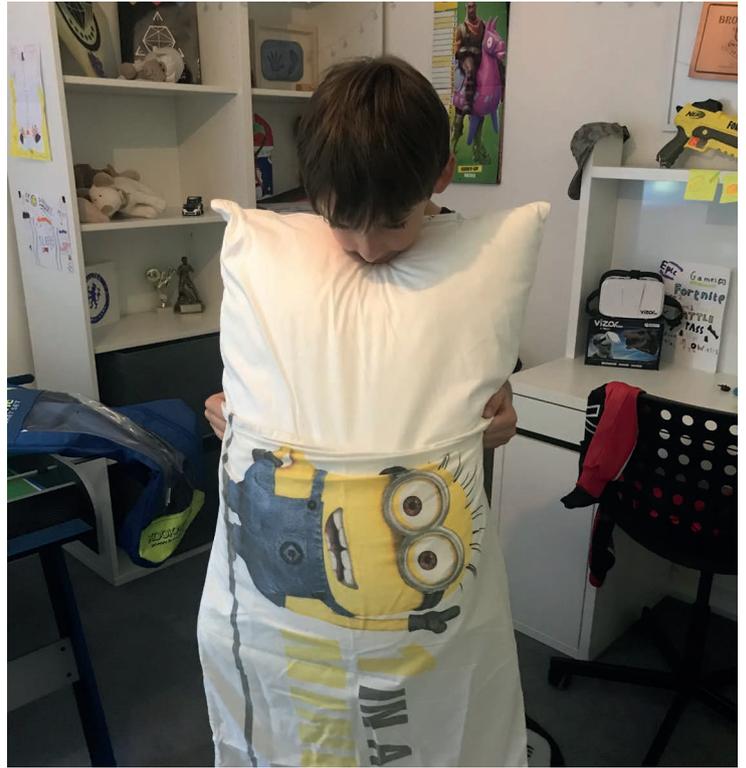


Mehul and Saavan are making a den



4M Challenge

Continuing from Miss Morgan's challenge Year 4 were charged with the task of making their own beds which was a new experience for many. Mrs Murphy asked boys to send in photos as evidence that they actually knew what to do.





Year 1 are (still) recreating the rainforest

Year 1 are continuing their Rainforest topic and trying to recreate a rainforest in their homes. This week they have added a few more plants and animals to their displays. Can you guess what they added to their collection this week? I think you will agree that they are pretty good and wonderfully colourful.



Year 2 jungle writing

There is a tall, luscious tree and on it a poison dart frog is sitting. It has black, orange and blue and he is going to lay eggs. Some epiphytic ferns are growing on the jungle floor. A scaly snake is slithering up a tree and then coiling up. A colourful macaw is working open a nut but the snake is trying to eat the macaw! A stealthy tiger is stalking its next meal. The tiger is going after the sloth. Obviously the sloth hangs in the trees with moss growing on his hands and feet. The jungle is alive with creepy creatures around every corner.

What Can You See in the Jungle?
Write some sentences about the picture.



The majestic lioness prowled through the Amazon rainforest. The slow grey sloth inched to get away from the green hissing snake. The colourful macaw lunged at the small, slimy, poisonous dart frog who was sitting on a big grey rock. The green bushes surrounded the animals in the undergrowth.

What Can You See in the Jungle?
Write some sentences about the picture.



I saw a frog. He was green, small and cold. He was eating flies and he loved croaking. Next, I saw a very big plant. It was called a nut and it was beautiful. The next plant was small and spiky. I was afraid of it. And then I went to see a snake looking for his prey. He was dark orange. A few minutes later I saw a brown sloth. He was lazy and slow. My favorite thing was the blue bird. The night was scary and hot, he was orange and shiny.

Mrs Scott's garden update

Hello again everyone! As you will see from the photographs my potatoes are doing well. They have really grown in the last few weeks. If we were at school, taking good care of the potatoes we planted in Robins and Squirrels, they would no doubt look much the same. I am hoping to be able to harvest some in about 4 weeks or so. I'll keep my fingers crossed. In the other photographs you will see one of my courgette plants, some dwarf French beans some strawberry plants and more potatoes. Can you identify them? Look closely - can you see the flowers and young strawberries? I am looking forward to those strawberries turning red so that we can eat them! I wonder what you are growing at home. The garden certainly keeps me busy in my spare time. It can be hard work but I find it very rewarding. Gardening makes me happy. I hope that you are all still able to do something that make you happy. Keep smiling and stay well. I'll continue to keep you posted on the progress in my garden. *Mrs Scott*

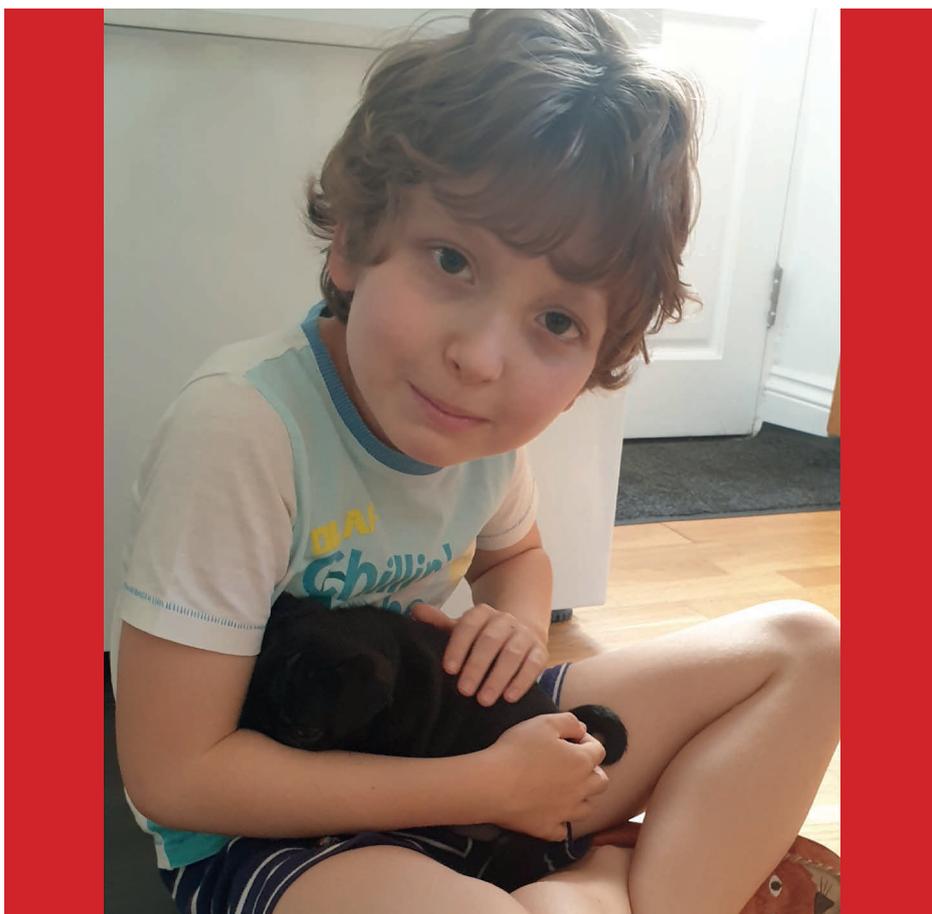


OUTLOOK



Photo of the week

Birthday boy Theodore is the star of this week's photo. Many happy returns - we hope you had a lovely day.



Contact details

Updates: please continue to visit www.st-johns.org.uk for all the latest information on sports fixtures and results. The website will have announcements in case of emergency.



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Photographs: Do please continue to send in any photographs which could be included in The Lamb.

Notices and reminders

PPE Update from Andreas: We were targeting 200 PPE shields with our 3D printing operation. I am pleased to report that, as of last Sunday, we had delivered 219 PPE shields and printing is continuing with 15 more produced since then. Our new target is 300 as the demand is still there from what we are hearing from the 3dcrowduk group.

Word Mania is back for Years 2 to 6! Literacy Planet have put on a special Word Mania event. Students can start competing by hitting the big colourful Word Mania button when they log in from Monday, 25 May 2020. Key dates Competition Round: 25 May 2020 – 19 June 2020 Final Round: 24 June 2020 – 26 June 2020

Votes for Schools. Last week's question was 'Could you be a first settler on Mars?' No: 70%, Yes 30%. The new question which will run until next Wednesday is 'Do you get enough sleep?' Please discuss at home over the half term break and vote in the usual way.



House Point Totals: 1st Lincoln 112.52, 2nd Churchill 109.36 3rd Oates 108.45, 4th Lawrence 101.60. House Points are currently being awarded for good work so do continue to try your very best, both for yourself and for your House.

Have a good half term.