



From the
Headmaster

Welcome to the 188th edition of the Lamb. The Pre-Prep held an excellent Sports Day in the sunshine on Monday including the traditional 'egg and spoon' and the parents' races. The Robins thoroughly enjoyed meeting their special visitor, Mr MacDougall, one of our Governors. The Lambs visited Bekonscot for their summer outing.

Years 3 and 4 have been busy with team challenges completing the Willcox Plate Competition and Year 3 have tasted Greek food as part of their Ancient Greece topic.

Today I was proud to open the annual Year 8 Business Enterprise Sale which was the culmination of weeks of hard work as part of the Year 8 post exam curriculum. The School Council had a very informative visit to the Mayor of Hillingdon's chambers.

In the challenging weather conditions we have seen cricket fixtures across the age groups against Davenies, The Beacon, York House and St Martin's.

Mrs Davis and her team are putting the finishing touches together in preparation for next week's performances of 'Joseph'. I hope you will be able to make it. The boys have worked extremely hard and I know it is going to be a fabulous production.

Finally, nine days and counting to Fun Day!

S. Robinson

Year 8 Business Enterprise Sale



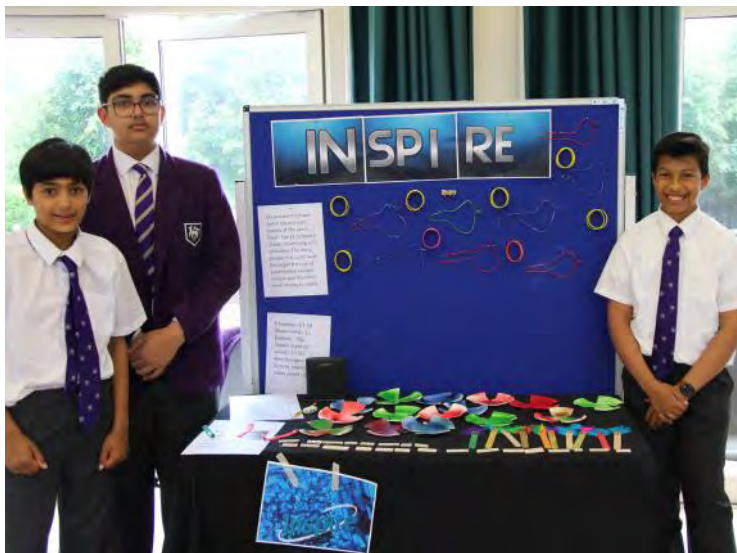
This year's Year 8 Business Enterprise sale was formally opened in the Norman Hall by Mr Robinson at 12.15 today. The Year 8 boys had been busily preparing the Norman Hall all morning and there was a real buzz of excitement and expectation. There was a tremendous range of products on sale and some excellent salesmanship witnessed. Each of the eight teams appear to have made a very healthy profit and once this has been tallied up, will be donated to this year's charity, Magic Breakfast and the Heath Robinson Museum. Since the beginning of March the boys have learnt a great deal about running a company of their own. Our grateful thanks to the team from School Dynamics, led by Sharon Pink. Well done to all of the Year 8 boys – Year 7 boys you have this to look forward to next year!



THIS WEEK



Year 8 Business Enterprise Sale





School Council meets the Mayor of Hillingdon



On Wednesday all the current School Council members met bright and early at 7.45am to accompany Mr Phillips, Mrs Murphy, Mr Newman and Miss Morgan to Uxbridge Civic Centre to meet the Mayor of Hillingdon, Councillor David Yarrow. When we arrived, we were greeted warmly and escorted to the Mayor's chambers where he gave us an informative lesson on his duties as the Mayor. We learned that Hillingdon used to be three separate boroughs; Ruislip-Northwood, West Drayton and Uxbridge and that in a council meeting, he would represent the voice and opinion of Her Majesty, the Queen. There were numerous items placed around the chambers, for example a silver mace which represented the Queen's presence in a meeting and of particular interest was the Mayor's necklace, otherwise known as the chain of office. What was interesting was that long ago, a new linkage would be attached when each new mayor was elected; however, it became too heavy, so instead now their names are added in a gold booklet at the bottom. We were also allowed to sit down in the council chambers where the official meetings take place; we learned that this is similar to the House of Commons, although a lot simpler...and smaller! The Pre-Prep boys found this particularly fun as they had the chance to try out the microphones! The Mayor was very kind to treat us to refreshments and school council members asked very mature and intriguing questions. We were very grateful that the Mayor spoke of us highly, as we were the first school of many to visit and, in his words, "had set the bar high with our good behaviour." We returned to St John's before lunchtime, having enjoyed the excursion very much and all of the School Council members are very grateful to the teachers for taking us on this trip, which is the first time for a St John's School Council. **Zain (8C)**





PRE-PREP

Governor spends a day in the Robins



The Robins had a treat on Tuesday when one of our Governors joined the class for the morning. Peter MacDougall (or Mr Mac as he told the boys to call him) heard a couple of boys read, attended a Music lesson and then visited all the Reception Literacy lessons. He was very impressed with the boys' reading, writing and speaking skills. He had lunch with us but had to leave before the paint came out for our Art lesson!



The Lambs visit Bekonscot Model Village



The sun finally shone for the Lamb's postponed outing to Bekonscot. They arrived, had a drink and biscuit and with excitement bubbling went on the miniature train. Once entering the model village the boys loved looking through tiny windows, tracking the trains and watching the carousel. After lunch and a quick ice cream it was time to try and answer Miss Whyton's special quiz. It was quite tricky to count the racehorses, hunt for bee hives and search for canal boats. The reward was a play on the pirate ship before returning, exhausted, to school. A lovely day was had by all!





Pre-Prep Sports Day Monday 17th June



The White House provided a spectacular backdrop to the annual Pre-Prep Sports Afternoon. The sun shone, the audience cheered and the boys tried their best making it a wonderful day for everyone. The races were close with positions changing right up to the finishing line. The Year 2 relay is always an exciting conclusion to the event with the Badgers just winning. Congratulations to everyone involved.





PRE-PREP

Pre-Prep Sports Day Monday 17th June





Chasing shadows in Year 3



Year 3 have been looking at shadows this week. They worked with partners to measure each other's shadow at different times of the day and recorded what they noticed. The boys realised that at midday shadows are the shortest because the sun is at its highest point in the sky!

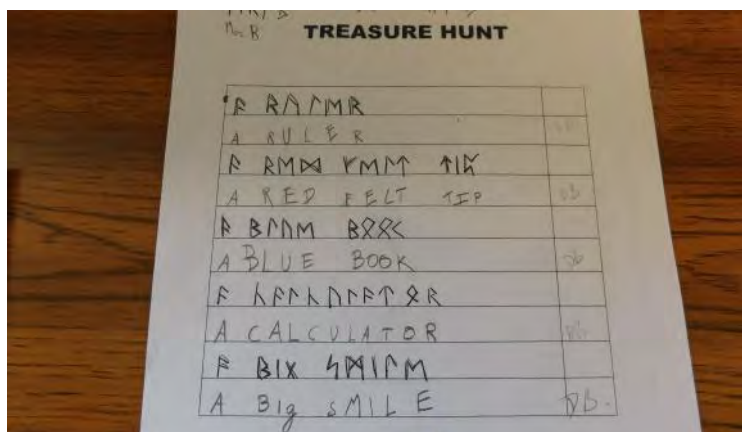
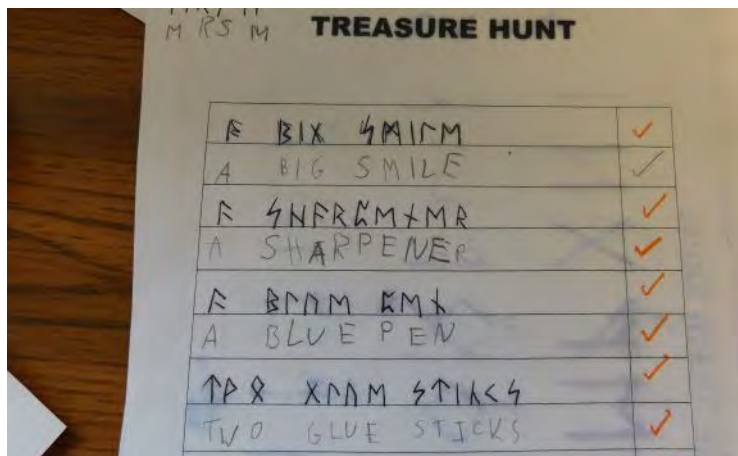




Year 4 complete Willcox Plate challenge



This week the final two parts of the Willcox Plates Challenge took place in Year 4. The plates were left at the school by Heather Willcox, a former Head of Juniors for pairs of boys who worked together cooperatively on non-academic endeavours. For their first activity this week boys translated Anglo Saxon runes to read treasure hunt clues, after which there was a great scramble to collect the items named. This was challenging and great fun. The final challenge was to build the highest free standing tower possible using black sugar paper and copious amounts of sticky tape! The results were really amazingly different, some were more successful than others, but all the boys worked together well, which was the real aim of the challenges! The designs were very different and there are definitely some budding architects in the group!





Greek food tasting



As part of our Year 3 topic on the Ancient Greeks we thought it would be a nice idea to taste some Greek food. The boys were encouraged to try everything and tell us what they thought. Everyone enjoyed the experience and tucked into the various foods such as, olives, feta cheese, tzatziki, figs and dates. Let's hope they left some room for lunch!





U10 A & B teams v Davenies 14th June

U10 A v Davenies won by 36 runs

St John's 68 for 3 after 15 overs, Davenies 32 all out

Outstanding performance: Hamza and Ansh for their fabulous bowling

Davenies won the toss and chose to bowl first, but they found the St John's opening pair of Zac and Ruben very difficult to dismiss. Zac eventually had to retire after he passed 25 runs and Ruben was eventually caught out on 8, but they had laid a really good foundation which put the pressure on Davenies. Sahib B claimed a wicket in the first over and Ansh got his first two wickets in the second over. Hamza's first over also resulted in two more wickets falling and it did not take long before St John's had bowled the whole team out. Everyone fielded with great energy and supported each other brilliantly. A very good performance all round.

U10 B v Davenies won by 48 runs

St John's 115 for 3, Davenies 67 all out

Outstanding performance: The whole team

St John's went into bat and we started fairly well with Ishaan playing some shots and taking a few quick single runs. However, Aaron was bowled and Thomas came into bat. Our run rate kept going along and the extras bowled by the opposition helped our overall score hugely. At the end of our innings the opposition extras had given us an extra 88 runs. Thomas batted well until he was run out. We only lost 3 wickets but scored 115 runs to set a good score.

Davenies went into bat and it was clear early on that our bowling attack was going to put them under pressure. Ishaan, Thomas, Rakshaan, Vivaan, Lucas and all the other bowlers bowled very well. Aaron behind the stumps did very well and wickets started to tumble. On the last wicket we got a run out. This was an excellent performance by the whole team





York House U8 Cricket Festival 18th June



St John's 33 drew v Merchant Taylors' Prep 33; St John's 46 won v York House 14; St John's 23 lost v St Martin's 24

Outstanding performances: Darsh and Kian

We started well against MTP with some very good bowling from Rian and Daanish. However, the fielding was excellent and we managed to keep MTP to just 33 runs. St John's batted and we scored runs quickly but at times we just need to hit the ball into the gaps and run quickly between the wickets to keep the score ticking along. In the end we drew.

Against York House our bowling and fielding was too strong and we scored 46 runs with Khyran, Rian and Darsh making the bulk of the runs. We bowled very well and made life difficult for York House and Darsh behind the stumps took a great stumping. We managed to keep York House to 14 runs.

In the final game we put St Martin's into bat and Arjun and Daanish took two superb catches to dismiss their batsmen. We bowled very well and in the end St Martin's scored 24 runs. This should have been a target we could get but very good bowling from St Martin's and we lost Arjun and Rohan quickly in the first two overs. However, Daanish and Ali battled hard and we just fell short on 23 runs. However, this was an excellent performance by the whole team and enjoyed by all the players. Well done!



1st & 2nd XI v The Beacon 19th June

1st XI v The Beacon

St John's 99 for 9, The Beacon 101 for 5

We batted first and set a score of 99 for 9 through an equal split of runs between our 9 batsmen. Our shot selection was good at times with some nice drives however we were gifted with many easy balls to hit which we didn't use fully to our advantage. Our running between the wickets wasn't up to our own standards due to the weather conditions to which we lost a few wickets as a result but still scored a respectable amount of runs in the 20 overs. The Beacon reached our target of 99 runs in 14 overs with help from their number 3 batsman who reached 59 runs. Wickets came from Ashok (2), Aryan, Aaron and Aadil. Aadil and Ashok both bowled superbly with Ashok getting his wickets in the opening over and Aadil bowling 2 overs for 8 runs and a wicket. Our fielding was much improved since the last game however there is still lots of room for improvement especially with catches as we mainly dropped the 50/50 balls which would of put us in a much stronger position if they had been made. A much better team performance, well done boys.

Outstanding performances: The whole team

2nd XI v The Beacon

St John's 85 for 7, The Beacon 80 all out

Outstanding performances: Oliver

On an increasingly rain-sodden afternoon the Second XI won a thrilling victory against traditionally strong opponents. The game swung backwards and forwards almost as often as the drizzle slackened and intensified keeping the spectators on their toes in a really tense final few overs. Batting first our openers, Rohan and Krish, got the innings off to a brisk start with a partnership of 36 in six overs before Rohan was out caught behind. Krish, who had consistently hit the ball into the gaps, soon followed, run out for 27. Thereafter, our innings lost momentum against some tight bowling and predictably well drilled fielding with only Zac who got a lively 14 able to score boundaries. Nevertheless Saam, batting at number three, soldiered on and our innings ended with him hitting a four on the final ball to leave us on a respectable 85-7 and him on 20 not out. Oliver rotated our bowlers intelligently and restricted The Beacon to 28-1 from the first seven overs. However, their captain then began to score freely and they gained the initiative despite wickets falling at the other end. Step up the captain who removed him with a well-directed full pitched ball which he played on. As The Beacon edged towards our score wickets began to tumble until by the beginning of the nineteenth over The Beacon needed 10 runs with one wicket left. A four closed the gap but Oliver held his nerve, clean bowling their number 9 to give us victory. Credit goes to our four key bowlers, Krish (2-9), Rohan (1-17), Yusuf (2-22) and Oliver (3-12) who managed to bowl tight lines and lengths in slippery conditions. The fielding was also impressive with Yuri, Josh and Rohan, who got a vital run out, doing particularly well. Zac, standing in behind the stumps, also did well with a well-judged catch off the bowling of Oliver S. A great team performance. Man of the Match Oliver A whose astute captaincy and excellent bowling led us to victory.





U8 teams v St Martin's Thursday 20th June

U8 A v St Martin's pairs format

St Martin's 239, St John's 221

Outstanding performance: The whole team

St Martin's batted and we bowled fairly well. However, on occasions we sometimes pitched the ball on the leg which allowed St Martin's to hit a number of 4's. Daanish took a great catch and Kian took a number of wickets with his good line and length. They managed to score 239.

St John's went into bat and we faced some very good bowling and the strong fielding from the opposition made it difficult for us to score runs. We now need to be able to play more shots on the leg and off-side which will help us to score more runs all around the pitch. In the end we just fell short. Well done!



U8 B v St Martin's pairs format

St Martin's 228, St John's 267

Outstanding performance: The whole team

St Martin's batted first and despite hitting some good early shots, they were pinned down by some excellent bowling. Wickets were taken by Vineel, Bailey, Neel, Arti and Thomas keeping the oppositions run total to an underpar 228 runs.

St John's then went into bat and started very quickly with Arti and Marcus scoring a fantastic 26 runs in their overs. This excellent start was then maintained by the whole team with other large contributions coming from Bailey and Neel who scored 22 runs between them for no wickets. This allowed St. Johns to effortlessly achieve a winning total of 267 runs. Well done boys, we now just need to work on our calling between the wickets.



U8 C v St Martin's pairs format

St Johns 275, St Martins 206

Outstanding performance: The whole team

St John's batted first with a very impressive performance scoring lots of runs right from the start. Top scorers were Otto and Mehul, this gave the whole team a very good platform to perform for the rest of the innings finishing on a score of 275. Our bowling and fielding was superb making it difficult for St Martin's to score any runs. Wickets were taken by Aaron, Aubrey, Zain, Joshua, Freddie and Matthew limiting them to a total of 206. A very strong performance from everyone involved, well done boys keep it up.





U8 teams v St Martin's Thursday 20th June

U8 D v St Martin's pairs format

Outstanding performance: Hrishi and Thomas

St Martin's 255, St John's 250

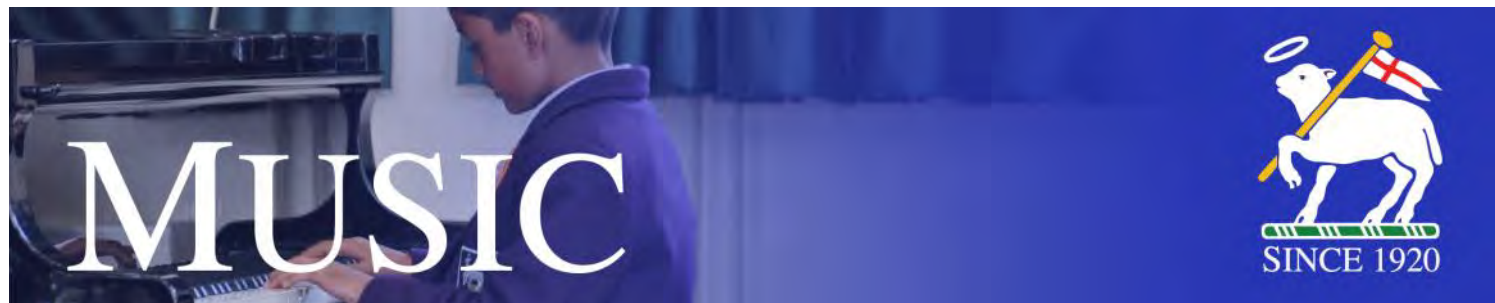
This was a close game with some very pleasing batting with much improved running between the wickets and calling. The batting also showed improvements with big hits from Thomas, Hrishi, Ananda and Dries. The bowling still incurred a touch too many wides which in the end was the difference in total scores between the 2 teams. The exception was Kayhan who produced 6 dot balls.

U8 E v St Martin's diamond game

Outstanding performance: The whole team

The under 8E team played a mixed diamond cricket match with St Martin's. This was the perfect fun, active and developmental game to play. All boys were fully engaged, especially on their batting and fielding. As a group, all boys probably got to bat about three times and it was very evident with time that they were hitting the ball better and further as this game progressed. No pressure on winning or being bowled out and keeping score. Just playing for the love of the game and for the love of playing. Well done to Aiden and Ahmed for their multiple run outs and awareness in the field and Alex, Leo B, Aiden, Dhruv, Ahmed and Ebi for batting so well. You are starting to hit the ball harder and further. Good work.



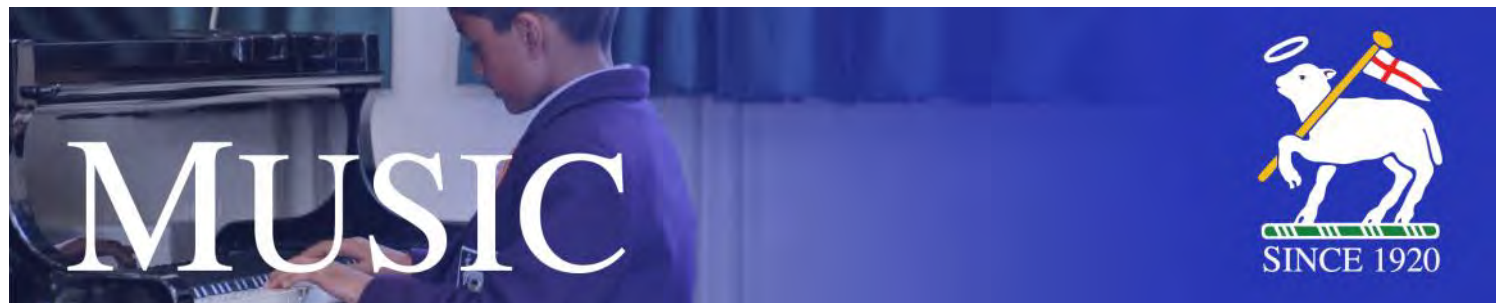


Violin and cello concert and a farewell



On Wednesday we were treated to a wonderful concert from Miss Bullock and Mr Brown's pupils. The repertoire was varied and each boy played with confidence and musicality. It was also an opportunity to say goodbye and thank you to Mr Brown who is retiring from St John's at the end of this term after 27 years of service to the school. Zain, our Head Boy, spoke about how his time learning with him had inspired his playing and had made him the violinist that he is today. He then presented Mr Brown with a book as a token of our appreciation of all he has done for all our violinists. We wish him all the best for the future and hope he enjoys his retirement.





Violin and cello concert and a farewell





Year 5 visit Heath Robinson Museum



This week the whole of Year 5 visited the **Heath Robinson Museum** in groups. The exhibition was about machines. The first room was about a machine by Tim Lewis. Tim Lewis is an artist who made sculptures which “reacted with people and the environment around them”. His “artwork would spin and explode with movement and colour”. Some of the exhibits were meant to draw in a repetitive action. His sculptures would sometimes draw themselves. The second exhibition was about machines which were very weird and crazy. The artist was William Heath Robinson. He was famous for drawing cartoons, particularly with a twist on life. A lot of artwork reflected movement. We all really enjoyed the museum. **Vihaan (5R)**





1. **Anay** and **Otto** have worked hard creating a rainforest picture out of oil pastels based on the work of artist Henri Rousseau .
2. **Zian** and **Joshua** are busy designing Cubist self portraits, based on the work of Picasso.
3. Boys in **Year 5** having fun creating bird sculptures using Plaster of Paris.
4. **Arian** and **Reece** have designed their initials out of thread.



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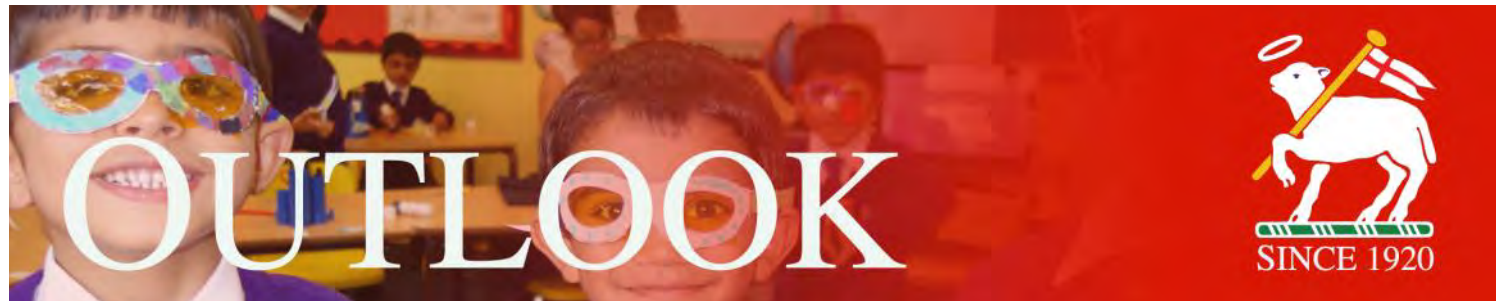
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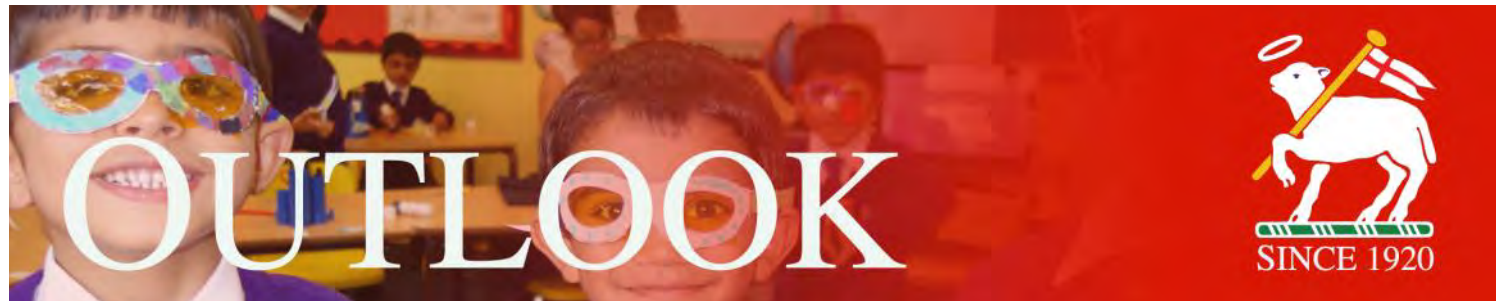
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Calendar and important dates

Sunday 23rd June: Senior Drama Rehearsal (9.30am-1.00pm)

Monday 24th June: Senior Drama Dress Rehearsal (9.15am)

Tennis v John Lyon: U13 (h) (3.30pm)

Staff Cricket v Merchant Taylors' School (a) (6.00pm)

Tuesday 25th June: Hillside School Sports Day at St John's

Cricket v Haberdashers': U9 A, B, C, D, E (a) (2.15pm)

'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat' (7.00pm)

Wednesday 26th June: Year 1 Outing to Willows Farm

ABRSM Examinations at Merchant Taylors' School

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Cricket v Merchant Taylors' School: 1st XI (h) , 2nd XI & 3rd XI (a) (2.15pm)

Thursday 27th June: Year 6 Road Safety Presentation

Year 4 Cricket Festival at York House (2.00pm)

'Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat' (7.00pm)

Friday 28th June: Cricket v UCS: U11 A, B (h) (2.15pm)

Cricket v Merchant Taylors' Prep: U11 C, D (a) (2.15pm)

Cricket v Belmont: U10 A, B, C (a) (2.15pm)

Year 7 Night Under Canvas (4.15pm)

Contact details

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Notices and Reminders

'Joseph'. As the end of term approaches, so do the two performances of the St John's School major drama production. This year, the Senior Drama pupils have been working on the wonderful musical, 'Joseph and The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat'. The story is set during biblical times in Canaan and Egypt. It is the story of a family and a young man who can interpret dreams, how he faces misfortune but overcomes everything to become the 2nd most powerful man in the country after the Pharaoh. There are two performances of this fabulous show in the Norman Hall, on Tuesday 25th June and Thursday 27th June, which begin at 7.00pm. There will be a short interval, and we expect the show to be over soon after 9.15pm. The pupils have been working hard at their characters, the set is ready and we welcome you to the show. There is no charge for the event, so see you there!

Raffle tickets for Fun Day. These will be on sale in the car park at morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up every day next week. Please support the St John's Association - there are some great prizes.

Votes for Schools. Outgoing question: **Should the public get a vote on the next Prime Minister?** Yes 85.7% No 14.3%.

This week we discuss refugees and whether borders should exist. The slides for this are available to view via Google classroom. All Prep boys have been shown how to do this but if you would like some help please ask Mrs McSween in class or email vmcsween@st-johns.org.uk We loving making you think and hearing your pupil voice!



St John's Association Fun Day on 30th June. Please see the adverts on the previous two pages and support our excellent Association if you can. If you are able to donate a raffle prize then please bring it to the school office.

House Point Update:

Churchill **124.98**; Lincoln **121.58**; Oates **120.81**; Lawrence **115.07**

Have a great weekend and enjoy the summery weather.