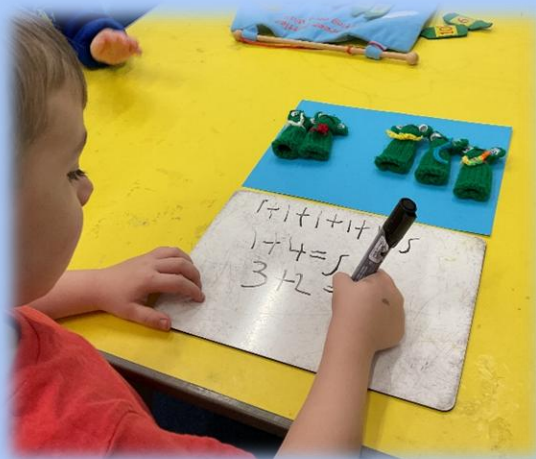




Hello and Welcome!

New Entrants 2025



Head Teacher's Welcome



Who's Who?

Mrs Wilkinson - Head Teacher **Mrs Havey** - Deputy Head teacher

Mrs Jean Watson - Chair of Governors

Mrs Dickinson - EYFS Leader and RFD Class Teacher

Miss Hiseman - RKH Class Teacher

Mrs Newton - Early Years Teaching Assistant

Mrs Taylor - Early Years Teaching Assistant

Mrs Chambers - SENCo **Mrs Rose** - Behaviour Support

Mrs Blanksby - Family Support Worker and ELSA

St. John's Learning Journey

Attendance matters

If your child's attendance during the school year is ...	Your child would have lost approximately	Or they would have missed approximately
95%	9 days	50 lessons
90%	19 days	100 lessons
85%	29 days	150 lessons
80%	38 days	200 lessons
75%	48 days	250 lessons
70%	57 days	290 lessons
65%	67 days	340 lessons

There are 39 school weeks in the year = 195 days minus INSET days = 190 days teaching and learning during the school year.

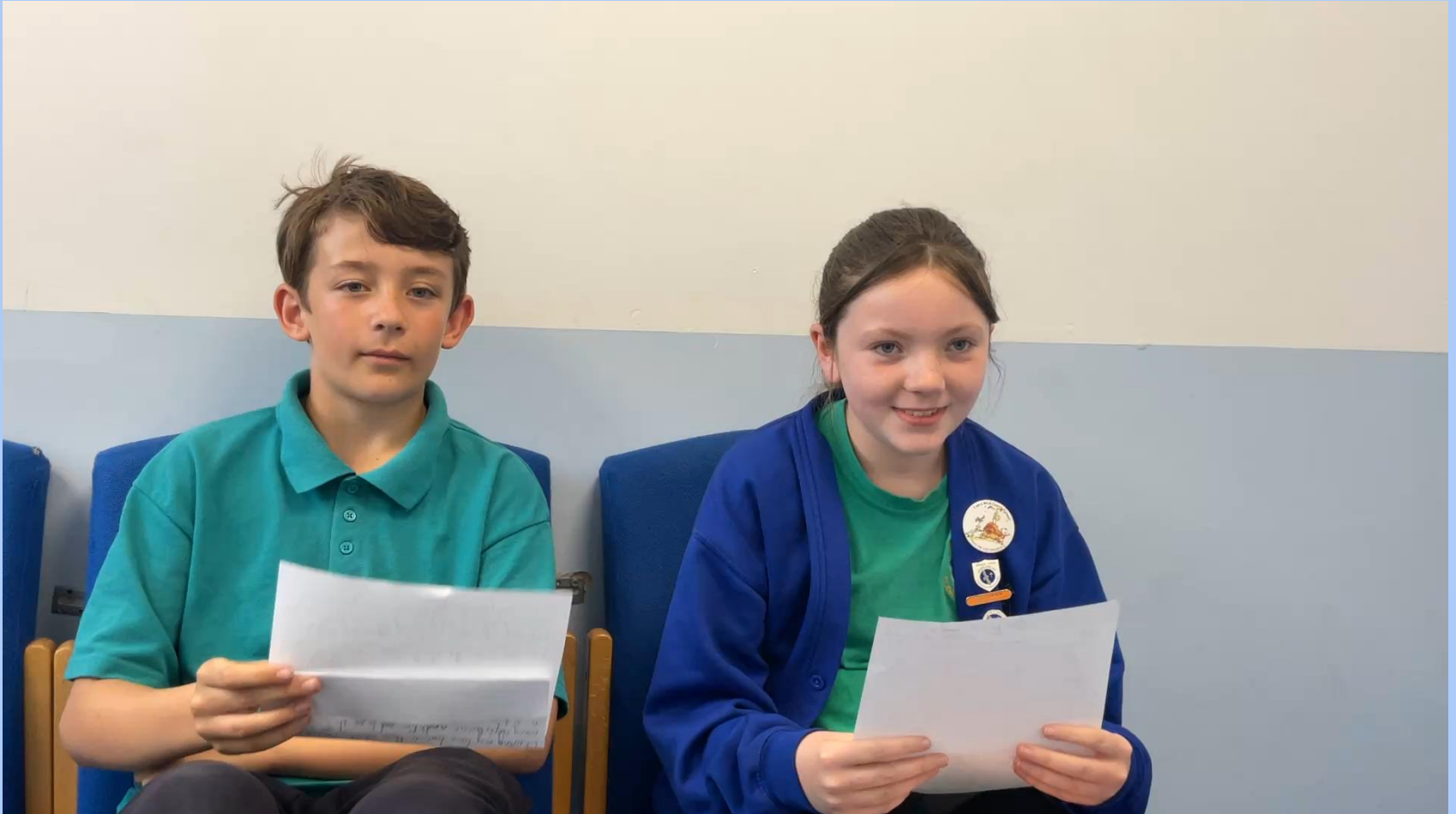
There are 13 weeks school holidays in the school year = 91 days when children are on holiday

You should not take your child on school holiday during the term time.

REMEMBER: ABSENCE = LOST OPPORTUNITY!

Year 6

Some wonderful Year 6 children would like to share with you their insights into life at St John's.



Transition June 2025

'Stay and Play' in the Reception Classroom

Week Beginning Monday 2nd June 2025

10-11am or 1.15-2.15pm

This session gives you and your child the opportunity to see the Early Years setting and meet the team.
Parents will sign up for a convenient time to visit this week at the New Entrant meeting.

Teacher's visit to Pre-school setting - During June

We will visit all the children in their Pre-school setting in June, this helps to inform class groups and ensure the children have time with St John's teaching staff to support the transition process.

Classes and teachers allocated END of June.

You will receive a letter via email confirming your child's class teacher



Transition July 2025

SCHOOL TRANSITION DAYS

Tuesday 8th July 2025- Mrs Dickinson's Class

Wednesday 9th July 2025- Miss Hiseman's Class

Parents and children are invited into school for a morning or afternoon session to share songs, play games and begin to settle into their new school environment.

Home visit information shared with families.



Transition September 2025

September 2025 Transition

Families will all be invited to a 'Teddy Bears Picnic' on Friday 5th September

Mrs Dickinson's Class- 10.30am-12pm

Miss Hiseman's Class 1pm-2.30pm

Children to wear school uniform for this session



Home visits September 2025 - **Monday 8th September - Thursday 11th September**

A half day visit into school for either the morning or the afternoon on - **Friday 12th September**

Children to wear school uniform for this session

All children in full time -8.30am-3pm - Monday 15th September 2025

Typical day in Early Years

- 8.30 am Doors open with staff greeting the children
- Self register and soft start
- Phonics input and reading
- Exploring time including woodwork
- Rolling Snack time
- Lunch
- Maths input and activity
- Exploring time
- Tidy up time
- Collective worship (assembly)
- 3pm End of day




Phonics





How we will teach your child to read.














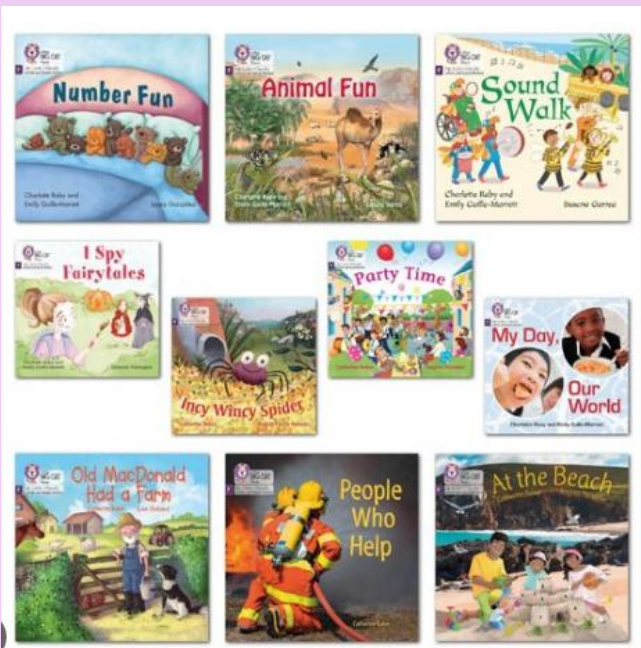
Grapheme chart

Phase 2 and 3

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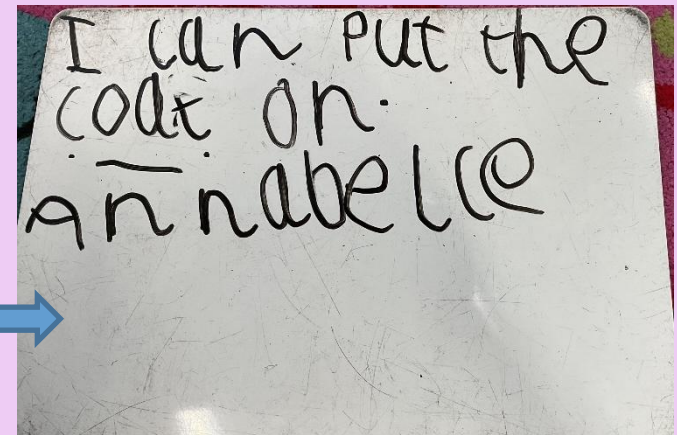
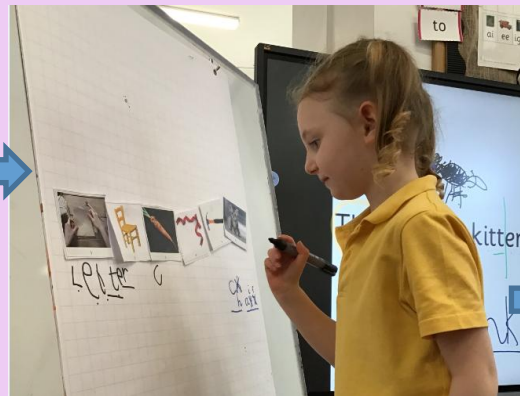
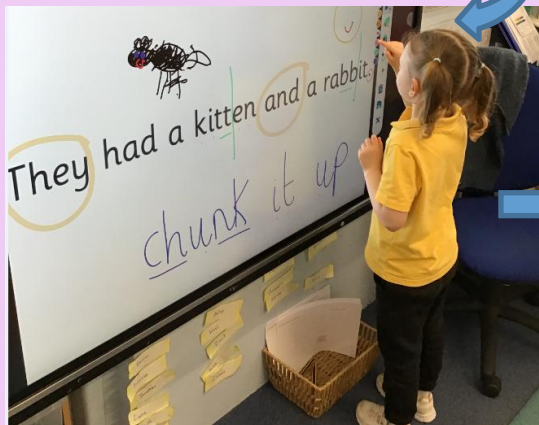
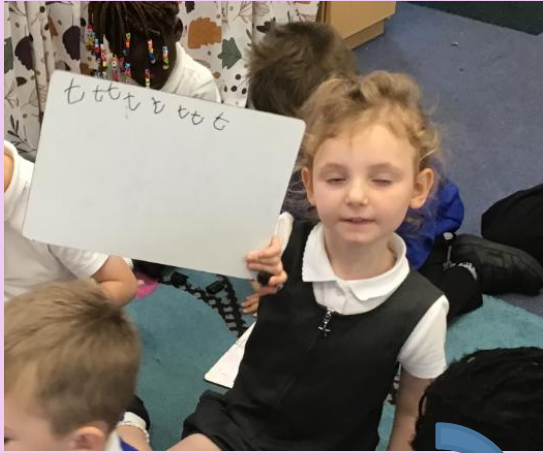


Children will start with wordless books and move through the different phases as the year goes on.

Your child would have read the book they bring home three times already. They should be fluent with the text.

Remember to celebrate their success.

Little Wandle Phonics “Grow the code” Writing



Reception Baseline Assessment

- This is a statutory assessment for all reception age children in the country.
- It covers literacy, communication and language, and maths.
- Its short, practical tasks carried out by your child's class teacher in the first week weeks of school.
- It is used to measure progress throughout your child's learning journey in primary school.



PE



Your child will be put in a colour team. If they already have a sibling at school they will be the same colour team.

PE will start after Christmas.

School Dinners



OUR FOOD

Made fresh from raw ingredients, we help create cost-effective, home-cooked nutritious meals that help kids stay focused well into the afternoon.

[Find out more](#)

PRE-ORDERING & PAYMENTS

Easy to get to grips with, our pre-ordering system lets you and your child pick out the dishes you know they'll love from our varied menu of meals. And with a range of options, paying for them all is as simple as it gets.



Allergies



ALLERGENS AND DIETARY REQUIREMENTS

For full peace of mind, our state-of-the-art systems keep everyone safe, blocking dishes containing specific allergens that might get in the way of creating the best possible experience for your pupils.

It's the same for any dietary requirements too. Whether it's for religious, medical or ethical reasons, parents can let the school office know of any needs to be aware of. The system then relays this to your kitchen, so they're in the know when it comes to things like dairy, pork and beef.

For a fully catered-to experience, Dolce also serves up:

- Vegetarian and vegan options, alongside meat and fish choices
- Varied vegetable and starchy accompaniments for a balance of vitamins and minerals
- 1,000+ recipes across our site complete with nutritional and allergen information



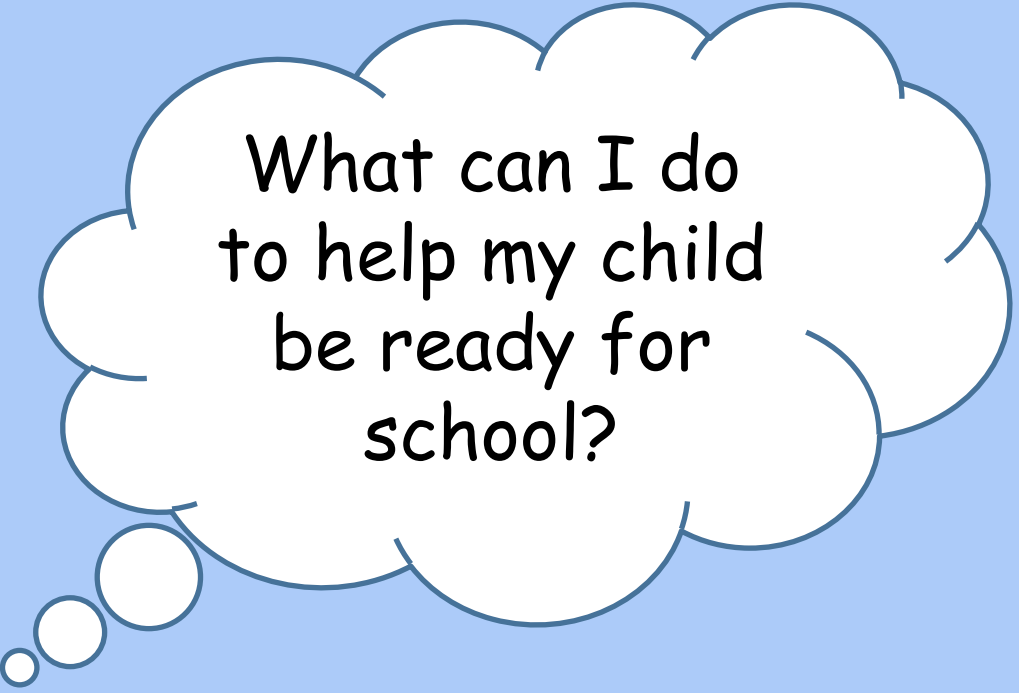
Other information

- Uniform
- Getting messy!
- Book bags - they're free!
- Water bottles
- Everything is to be named



A ready family

- Spend time playing with your child. Encourage them to be active and explore; sharing the excitement of discovering new things together
- Encourage your child to communicate their needs, feelings and emotions. If your child seems anxious try focusing on the things they like best
- Take time to talk with your child about things that interest them
- Encourage self help skills (getting dressed; using a knife, fork and spoon; going to the toilet; brushing teeth twice a day)
- Have fun being together and talking about the things you do, celebrating achievements
- Encourage your child to socialise and play with others
- Allow time for your child to relax, rest and play (Reduce screen time)
- Establish and maintain clear and consistent daily routines for your child's bedtime and family mealtimes



What can I do
to help my child
be ready for
school?

Final Thoughts

- Please sign up for stay and play before you leave at a convenient time to you.
- School Nurses
- Transition dates 8th and 9th of July- You will get an email informing you

