



# St John's C of E (Aided) Primary School

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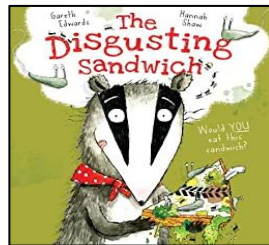
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## Year 1 Spring 1 2025

Dear Parents,

Welcome back everyone! We hope you had an amazing Christmas and are ready to start off 2025 with a bang. We are so excited to be seeing you again and this letter will tell you a bit more about the fabulous learning journey that your children are about to embark on in Spring 1.

### Spring One English



This half term, we will be looking at the text *The Disgusting Sandwich* by Gareth Edwards. The children will write instructions on how to make their own disgusting sandwich, and then we will be innovating the story to create our own stories. This is a very popular topic!

In our other subjects we will be looking at:

**Maths** - Addition and subtraction, measure: time and mass, multiplication and division

**Science** - Habitats

**Computing** - Making Rockets

**Art** - Artist Study - Eric Carle Animal Printing - Painting, Using tools and Printing

**Geography** - What is the weather like in the UK?

**Music** - Tempo - Snail and Mouse

**PE - Inside PE:** Dance: The Zoo

**RE** - Sikhism - Special Places

**PDL (Personal Development Learning)** This includes the following 5 topics:

**No Outsiders** - Errol's Garden - being part of a team

**Jigsaw (PSHE)** - Dreams and Goals

**Safe Guarding** - Hygiene, including hand washing and looking after our bodies

**Online Safety** - Online Bullying

## Home Learning

As usual we ask that you spend **time reading** with your child every day and recording this in their reading diary. They do love to receive their certificates, and we all know how important reading is. Our small homework task will continue to be sent home on Friday. Please complete this with your child each week. It links to our Little Wandle learning in phonics, so is the ideal way to help reinforce your child's learning in school.

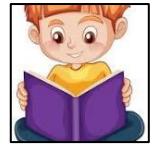
## Uniform

We are delighted to see the children back in their uniform looking smart. It gives us a lovely sense of pride and belonging. Please be reminded that shoes (not trainers) should be plain black and without colour, including white. Please make sure everything is **NAMED**. Remember on our PE days (**Monday**) children need to come dressed already in their PE kits.



## Library

Our library day is **changing to a Monday afternoon**. We recommend keeping their books in their book bag so they always have it and it doesn't get lost down the side of the bed!



## Water bottles

Please remember to send your child in with a named water bottle each day to ensure they can stay hydrated throughout the day.

## Communication



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We will be around at the end of each day if you have anything you wish to discuss with us. If you let us see the children out first, and then wait behind if you wish to see us. Alternatively, please make an appointment with us when convenient if you have something more. We do understand that some parents work, and are not around at the start or end of the day, so please feel free to write a message for your child to hand to their teacher.

In the Spring term we would like the children to continue to be dropped off and picked up by the blue gates. We feel that this had been a much better system in terms of keeping the children safe.

Thank you for your support as we look forward to another successful half term's worth of learning.

Mrs Stock, Mrs Campbell and Mrs Bailey