

Newsletter - 18 July 2025



A Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents/Carers

As we come to the end of the school year I'd like to thank the staff for their hard work and commitment to ensuring that your child receives the best education possible learning in a happy and nurturing environment.

The assembly this morning was a true reflection of the ethos of our school, positive, happy, fun and celebrating all achievements.

Year 6 had a great time when they visited the Victoria Hall, where they saw the Hallé Orchestra perform. The children heard a range of instruments and for some it was the first time they had seen a live orchestra. This was followed by an enjoyable lunch at McDonald's!

Year 6 also enjoyed an art afternoon with their parents, where they printed their own leaving gifts, and ate cakes. As we say goodbye to our year 6s today, we wish them lots of luck and happiness at High School and in the future, I'm sure some of them will be back to visit us next year.

I'd like to thank all parents/carers for your support and kind words, this year, they are much appreciated.

I hope your child has the chance to rest and recharge their batteries during the summer and that you get to spend some quality time together, as a family.

I look forward to welcoming your child back to school, in September, and to welcome the new families and children who will be joining the SJO family.

Best wishes

Sally Inskip-Ward





Rounders tournament

The rounders team had a fantastic time representing SJO at Keele on Monday. They played extremely well as a team. Both the girls and boys team made it into the final with the girls achieving third place, narrowly missing out on a place in the final by 1 ½ rounders, despite being a team member down. This is a huge achievement especially for some of the girls who have not represented SJO in a competitive sport before.

Special mentions: to Bobby Hughes for excellent throwing skills as backstop, Aidan Henderson on fourth base putting a stop to any full rounders and Lily Green for playing out of position on fourth base. (Miss Shuker)

Biscuit competition

Congratulations to Joshua Jennings for winning the biscuit competition. His design below shows how he has thought about our school values.



W/c 1st September = week 2 lunch menu

PE timetable – September 2025

	Afternoon 1	Afternoon 2
Monday	Y3/4	Y2/3
Tuesday	Y6	Y1
Wednesday	Y1	Y5
Thursday	Y6	Y5
Friday	Y2/3	Y3/4



Monday 1st
September

School is closed to
children



Children
return to
School on
Tuesday 2nd
September

Please see the link below for deals on summer holiday activities for children:

<https://www.moneysavingexpert.com/deals/things-to-do-with-the-kids/>

including:

- Pets at home free kids' workshops
- £1 Cineworld tickets

NHS Better Health Families have some great resources you can access which get children moving with fun games that work indoors or outdoors! There's Toy Story-themed obstacle courses to Incredibles-inspired challenges, these 10-minute activities will help keep your little ones active. These boredom-busting activities will help them reach the 60 active minutes they need every day! Find them all here:

<https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/activities/10-minute-shake-up/>

Nursery places

If your child is born between 1 Sept 2021 – 31 August 2022, they are eligible to attend nursery in **September 2025**.

Please contact the school office if you would like to find out more information or reserve a place for your child.

