

Newsletter – 12th September 2025



Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents/Carers,

It's been lovely to welcome the children back into school, they are settled, happy and enjoying their learning. Our new children and families have fitted into life at SJO and we look forward to you being part of our school family.

In assembly today we reminded the children about Staffordshire County Council's initiative – Little Heroes, which promotes the Government's attendance policy. Please remember how important it is for your child to be in school when the bell goes **(8.45 a.m)** so that they don't miss any learning and can have a calm start to the day. If you do arrive after the gate has shut, please bring your child to the school office so that we can mark them in and ensure that they are safe.

It was great to see so many children bringing in certificates for things they have achieved outside of school. We shared them in assembly today and we were proud to see how many children are learning to swim and others who have been in a performance doing street dancing, tap and ballet.

Next week we will be celebrating National Coding Week. The theme this year is Artificial Intelligence (AI), and we will be promoting digital skills and coding confidence for the children. This is an annual event which encourages everyone to learn digital skills.

During the summer, the reception and nursery classrooms had new toilets and sinks installed, which the children are enjoying using! We have also had the hall, the entrance and the library decorated. We will continue a programme of decoration throughout the rest of the school this year, as we feel it is important that the children work in an inviting environment.

I hope you all have a good weekend

Kind regards

Sally Inskip-Ward





**Lunch menu w/c 15th
September: week 1**

Red Robins

Breakfast session: 7.45 – 8.45 a.m. £4.50

After-school: 3.00 – 5.30 p.m. £7.50



Y2, 3, 4, 5, 6

Please book your child's
place and give consent
on Parent Pay by
Monday 15th September

The National
Child Measurement
Programme

Reception & Y6

Tuesday 23 September

Please complete the opt-out
form if you do not wish for your
child to be weighed or
measured.

Cross Country competition dates – Y5 & 6

- Tuesday, 23rd September – St Luke's Primary School, ST5 6QJ
- Tuesday, 30th September – Silverdale Primary School, ST5 6PB
- Tuesday, 7th October – Baldwins Gate Primary School, ST5 5DF
- Tuesday, 14th October - SJO

Thursday 25
September

Full school uniform

Y5 & 6 will be in PE
kit



Harvest donations

Please send in any donations by
Tuesday 30 September



Wednesday 8 October

Face to face meeting with
your child's teacher.

Letter to follow



Save the date:

Christmas Carol Service (Rec-
Year 6)

**Thursday 18 December (1.15
p.m)**

All welcome to attend