

## Dates for Your Diary

2.10.17 Primary 7 to HGS for Treasure Hunt

3.10.17 Primary 1 and 2 Rooms 1, 2 and 4 visiting library

Parent workshop for Mindfulness

4.10.17 Hamilton Grammar Open Day

Room 15 visiting library

5.10.17 Primary 4 Rugby Taster session

6.10.17 Room 7 Assembly 9.45am

Room 5 and 6 visiting library

9.10.17 Room 13 and 14 visiting library

11.10.17 Room 14 and Room 15 hosting Enterprise Fayre

13.10.17 Pupil Council "Wear your House Colour" Day

Interim Pupil Reports issued

Room 7 visiting library

School closes at 3pm for October Break

23.10.17 School reopens

Room 12 visiting library

27.10.17 P1 and P7 Buddy Afternoon

30.10.17 Halloween disco and Parent Workshops on Numeracy

Room 11 visiting library

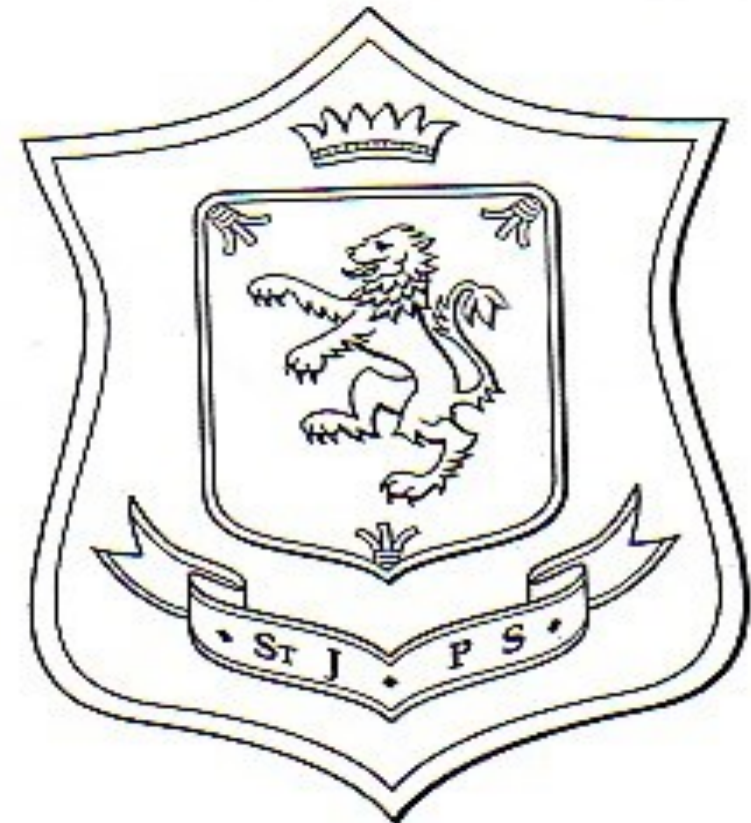
World of Work Week begins

3.11.17 Room 5 and 6 Assembly, 9.45am

**Our Nativity Service will be in St John's Church on  
Thursday 21 December at 10am**

# St John's Primary September 2017 Newsletter

St John's Website - [Google - st-johns-hamilton-pri](http://www.google.co.uk/search?q=st-johns-hamilton-pri)



Welcome to our monthly newsletter.

**Primary 1** were photographed by Hamilton Advertiser and the picture will be published on Thursday 5 October.

Our new Primary 1s looked very proud in their new uniform and enjoyed posing for the camera.

Our **After School Clubs** have started with a variety of choices for children to join in with. We are using some of our PEF money to help support these clubs.

Monday - Primary 4 and 5 Homework Club  
Primary 1 Arts and Crafts  
Primary 6 and 7 Athletics Club  
Tuesday - Primary 6 and 7 Football Training  
Primary 3 - Primary 7 English as a second language  
Wednesday - Primary 6 and 7 Homework Club  
Primary 4 - Primary 7 Drama  
Thursday - Primary 5-7 German  
Primary 6 and 7 Netball  
Primary 2 and 3 Lego Club  
Primary 4 - Primary 7 Dance at lunchtime

**The 5 Primary schools in Hamilton Learning Community** have been working together on mathematics and numeracy to develop a better understanding of the new numeracy benchmarks. We have met at Woodside Primary for an initial meeting where teachers agreed upon standards for achieving a level in numeracy. Each school will participate in a further 2 meetings where teachers will moderate examples of numeracy work to a set criteria. This is to ensure that all teachers have a shared understanding of what children need to do to attain a level.

Primary 4 to Primary 7 enjoyed participating in a taster session for **Sportif Judo** in the gym hall. The club organisers are thinking

of starting up a Sportif Judo Club in the new year. So watch out for adverts in the local paper.

We would like to thank all parents who kindly gave up some of their free time for our **Parent Helper meeting**.

We are always keen to have volunteers, who will require to be PVG checked, who can help on trips, come into school for assistance with photocopying or work with small groups of children.

**Tempest Photography** were in school and have taken pictures of all our children. The family and individual photographs have been sent home and we are awaiting the proofs of the year group photos for Primary 1 and Primary 7.

Our Primary 6 and Primary 7 children have participated in **Mindfulness** training with Sarah from One Day Creative. The training is to help the children develop a "can do" attitude towards challenges, transition to secondary and to enhance resilience.

We have used some of our PEF money to pay for this training.

Our **Rights Respecting School Committee**, with a little help from Mrs Jamieson, Miss Young and Mrs Prentice, have been very active and organised a shoe collection for UNICEF. Thank you very much for the many shoes we had donated. The money from the sale of the shoes will help children around the world access an education. (Article 28 from the UNCRC, Rights of the Child.)

We are very proud of our **Boys Football** team who were runners up in the Hamilton District Schools Shield. The boys were pleased to show their trophies at assembly.