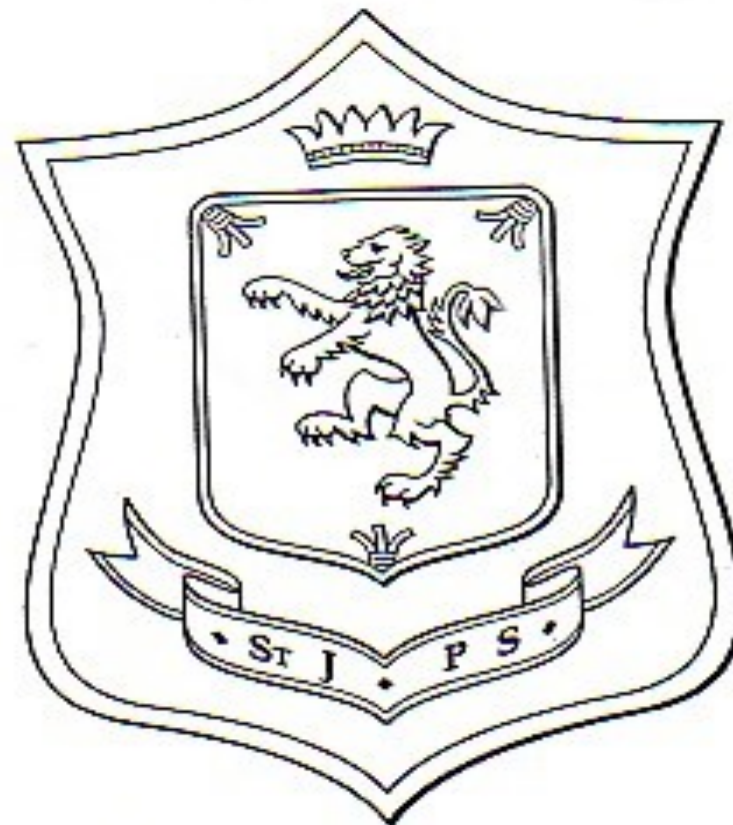


Dates for Your Diary

- 14 January- Afterschool clubs recommence this week.
14 – 18 January– New P1 enrolment for August 2019
14 January – Talking Teams meeting
17 January – Online safety talks by police
18 January – Primary 3 Assembly, 9.45am in school hall
21 January – S1 pupils from HGS visiting current P7 pupils
23 January – 2 P7 pupils attending transition planning meeting at Hamilton Grammar School
24 January – P1 fluoride varnish on teeth
1 February – Rights Respecting School Assembly
4 February – Room 1 walking to Hamilton Town House Library
8 February – Parent Council sponsor event
11 and 12 February – school closed
13 February – inset day , school closed to pupils
18 February – Talking Teams meeting
18 February – Room 2 walking to Hamilton Town House Library
19 February – Girls Football Tournament
20 February – Room 15 walking to Hamilton Town House Library.
20 February – staff training on dyslexia
21 February – P1 and P7 dental checks
25 February – Room 3 and some pupils from Room 4 walking to Hamilton Town House Library

St John's Primary December 2018 Newsletter

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Our Primary 1 children in room 1, 2 and 3 have all enjoyed a trip to M and Ds where they met with Santa, played in the soft play area and went on the merry go round . The boys and girls had a chat with Santa and came back with a small gift to keep them going until Christmas.

Room 10 organised a Pup up cinema for their class enterprise where children could buy a ticket and enjoy watching an animal themed film. All monies raised were donated to Guide Dogs for the Blind which is our Pupil Council chosen charity of the year.

Room 5 have been very active and have been working hard on their gymnastic skills with Hamilton Gymnastics club.

On Friday 7 December we held our Christmas Singalong in the school hall. Children entertained guests with a medley of well known Christmas songs. On sale were canvas shopping bags which children had designed.

On Thursday 13 December we enjoyed a lovely Christmas lunch cooked specially for us by our hard working dinner ladies.

Room 13 enjoyed working with S5 pupils from local secondary schools to improve their dance moves.

Primary 6 and 7 put into action all their dance moves at the senior Ceilidh in the school hall. We had great fun with games, dancing, lots of food and prizes. Thank you to all parents and carers for supporting this evening event.

We hosted a catch up meeting for parents who were part of our Early Bird Programme with Mrs Kelly . We are looking at starting a group for parents of children who have an autistic diagnosis to deal with issues for older children– focusing on between 10-15 years of age. If you have a child with an ASD diagnosis who falls between the ages of 10-15 and are interested in attending the meetings, please contact the school office for further information.

We have a group of Primary 4 and 5 children who had been thinking about Global Goal 12 Sustainable consumption. This group felt that the excessive waste of food in our Dining Room was shocking and strongly wanted to do something to reduce the waste of food. They devised a plan and came to discuss it with Mrs Prentice. After discussion and a presentation to the whole school about the waste of food and how to prevent it the group devised a rota to monitor food waste and to reward Houses for trying to be more conscious of the amount of food we bin every day.

We have a song suggestion box in the gym hall. Children are encouraged to write down their favourite song to be played at the beginning of assemblies. This was a suggestion from Joshua in P7.

We welcomed a cricket coach who helped interested children to develop skills to play cricket during lunch breaks.

Thank you to everyone who very kindly donated items for our reverse advent boxes. This was organised by the Community Team in partnership with Young's Funeral Home.

On 17 December we had a very informative assembly; each class presented which Global Goal they had been learning about and reported to the audience about how this impacts on their lives today and for the future.

On 18 December we had a very exciting time in the school hall with a performance of Snow White. There was a lot of clapping and cheering and lots of loud singing.

Thank you to all friends who attended our Nativity Play in St John's Church – A Ruff, Ruff Night in Bethlehem. We had great fun learning the songs and our P1 and P7s were stars on and off the stage.

Mrs Sharples, Mrs McLean and our Christmas choir were warmly welcomed at the Avonbridge Care home. Children sang beautifully.