

## Edition 3 - 23rd September 2016

### **Burglary**

You are probably aware that we suffered a break in at school in the early hours of Wednesday morning. A total of 29 Samsung tablets were stolen in what appeared to be a targeted crime. The Police of course did attend and have taken away quite a bit of forensic evidence. The blue tablets themselves are very distinctive and the fact that they are all set up for the school network does make them of limited re-sale value. As we have all the serial numbers of the stolen tablets and CCTV images of the intruders we remain optimistic that the tablets will be recovered and the culprits caught.

This is the first time we have been broken into for a quite a number of years and it is very disappointing. Further security measures have been introduced and we hope that we will not be targeted again.

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### **Web Site**

I am pleased to inform you that the new school website will be launched on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September at [www.stjohns-eagle.com](http://www.stjohns-eagle.com). The new site is much more up to date and suitable for viewing on tablets and mobiles.

I hope parents will like the new site and view it regularly. We will be adding information on a daily basis and will be heavily relying upon this method of communicating to parents what is happening at school. One particular aspect we are committed to keeping current is the weekly lunchtime menus which I know parents are interested in.

We will also be posting lots of photographs of activities at school in addition to the numerous tweets that are sent out.

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### **Open Coffee Morning**

At St Johns we are committed to open communication and partnership with our parents and will be running the first of this year's coffee mornings in school for parents to attend on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at 8.45am. Here you will be able to informally meet and chat with our school SENCo, Rachel Wright, and Family Liaison Officer, Alex James-Walker over coffee and cake. This is a great opportunity to find out more about the role of our SENCo and Family Liaison Officer and how they can support pupils and families in school.

## School Photographs

The school photographer will be visiting school during the first week in October. As we have such a large number of children they will need to be in school for two days. The timetable is outlined below.

### Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October

All classes with the exception of Nursery and Reception.

All family groups with the exception of Children in Nursery and Reception.

Family groups involving pre-school children from 3.35 pm in the Hall

### Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October

Nursery am and pm groups and both reception Classes.

Family Groups for children in these classes.

Rising 3 children in our Eagles facility.

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## Messy Church

On Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> October a family "Messy Church" event will again be held at St. John's Church from 10 am until 12 noon. There will be lots of art and craft activities for those who attend followed by chip butties and a short service.

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## Macmillan Coffee Morning

On Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October a coffee morning is being held at Essington Community Centre for Macmillan Cancer Support. The coffee morning is part of a national initiative to raise funds and further details can be found on facebook at "Macmillan Coffee and Cake".