

30th November 2023

It was wonderful to share the news of our SIAMS inspection earlier this week. Thank you to those that have shared your kind words about the outcome. This means such a lot to the staff as we work so hard for the children all year round. We are so proud the inspector saw all the high quality work that goes on in school. As stated in the letter, if you have any questions or comments, then please be in touch.

We are just about to launch into the festive season which brings with it many events for the children to enjoy. Please keep an eye on the diary dates on the newsletter and our website so that you are aware of when each event is taking place. One particular date to be aware of is Friday 1st December as this is when we need to have the numbers for the school's Christmas Lunch! If you do not want your child to have a Christmas Lunch, please let the school office know before this date.

As part of our work in the local and international community, we have teamed up with The Rotary Club to fill shoe boxes of gifts for children that are disadvantaged in Eastern Europe. If you feel you can support this project, then please speak to Mrs Robinson or Mrs Nelson in the school office and they will provide you with the shoe box and the instructions on what can be included. Each and every box filled will have a huge impact on a child that otherwise wouldn't have anything to open at Christmas.

I look forward to seeing you all at the upcoming events and if you have any comments or feedback, please speak to your child's class teacher or the school office, who can direct your question to the most appropriate person.

Best wishes

Mr Hope



Parking Moan

A local resident has made a complaint & a plea for parents/carers to please be more considerate when parking.

Please do not block driveways or park on pavements/corners as this is dangerous to pedestrians & children. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.



Knaresborough St John's Newsletter

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Cake Bake Sale Friday 17th November

Class 9 & 10 had a cake bake sale week before last and raised an amazing £148.00. That is £74.00 for each class to go towards something lovely for their class. Thank you to all who kindly donated/baked to make this a huge success. Look out for the next cake bake in diary dates!



TRUST

1193

PEACE

1536

Hope

1194

WISDOM

1112

Important date for the Diary! Thursday 7th December

Christmas Lunch

Please contact a.nelson@ksjprimaryschool.org to **opt out by midday Friday 1st December** otherwise your child will be counted as having a school dinner that day. (This is to allow the Kitchen Team to have numbers in advance for purchasing the right amount of ingredients & more importantly, puddings!) Please also email with any dietary requirements your child has.

Full menu attached to the newsletter.



KS2 children (non FSM) will be charged **£2.50** to ParentPay on the day. Payment via ParentPay please.

Christmas Jumper Day

Wear a Christmas Jumper with your school uniform for a **£1** donation to Save the Children charity.



SEND HUB DROP IN AT ST JOHN'S

19th January 8.45am – 9.30am 1st March 8.45am – 9.30am

19th April 8.45am – 9.30am 14th June 8.45am – 9.30am

All parents / carers welcome to join us in the hall for an informal catch-up & the opportunity to ask any questions.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Autumn Term Dates 2023

04 to 06/12 Whole school visits to Knaresborough library. See text messages for times. Walkers needed.

04/12 Cut off for PTA Christmas Card order.

05/12 Whole school visit to St Johns Parish for Christmas tree festival. Walkers needed.

07/12 Christmas lunch day & Christmas jumper day for Save the Children £1 donation

08/12 Shoebox appeal cut off

12/12 0930-1030am EYFS Nativity rehearsal.

13/12 0930-1045am EYFS Nativity. All welcome!

15/12 1800-1900pm PTA Stories with Santa

18/12 0900-1000am KS1 Nativity rehearsal

19/12 0900-1000am KS1 Nativity. All welcome!

22/12 School closes normal time for Christmas break



Spring Term Dates 2024

08/01 Teacher training day. School closed to pupils

09/01 School reopens to all children EFYS & KS1 0850am

KS2 0840am

PTA Stories with Santa: Friday, 15th December

Wear your pyjamas & enjoy a cookie & warm milk while you settle down to a story with Santa. 1800-1900pm in the main school hall. £4 per child ****Limited ticket event—Booking Essential****

(Parents must stay with their child at this event)



Raring2Go!

The new Raring2Go magazine is now out!

Click the link to see the whats going on & things to do for families in the local area for December, January & February.

<https://magazines.raring2go.co.uk/harrogateandyork/winter2023/>



Children in Need

Thank you to everyone for their donations to Children in Need. The school raised a whopping **£239.45**

PTA Wreath Making last Tuesday

Another successful event organised by our wonderful PTA Team. A few teachers went along and had a lovely evening.

It was lovely to see the teachers joining in last night. Here is photo of their fabulous creations!



Rotary Shoebox Scheme: Registered Charity

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The scheme arranges for boxes of gifts for disadvantaged children in Eastern Europe to be delivered all year round.

St Johns have several empty boxes to be filled!

Please see the flyer on the next page for a list of suggested suitable items.

Should you wish to help by donating money, each box costs £3 for transport so any loose pound coins would also be gratefully received.

The completed shoeboxes are due to be collected on Friday 8th December so please bring all donations by Thursday 7th at the latest.

Thank you for your kind support!

Money raised by the PTA so far this year...

Bingo **£428.16**

Treat Friday/ uniform sale **£203.71**

Disco **£993.03**

Wreath workshop **£579.99**

Class 5/6 bake sale **£141**

Class 9/10 bake sale **£148.68**

SPREAD A LITTLE HAPPINESS



Thank you for your interest in the Rotary Shoebox Scheme. Your participation will bring some happiness to a disadvantaged person or family in Eastern Europe. We have four types of content you can choose to fill boxes. Please see on the back of this leaflet

Child
Teenager
Baby (0-1)
Household



When you have chosen please indicate on the box lid who the box is for.

We ask for a donation of £3 per box for transport costs to Eastern Europe. The coins can be self-taped to the box lid where indicated (top right).

The box should be fully filled with items of good quality, remembering that the recipients will be opening the box in eager anticipation, and quite possibly the first real gifts they have received for a very long time.

On the reverse of this leaflet a description can be found of suggested suitable items for each box.

We thank you for your kind support

Create a smile by filling one of our special boxes with gifts for someone in Eastern Europe

About the Rotary Shoebox Scheme

Our boxes are gifts for disadvantaged children & adults in Eastern Europe and are delivered all year round, not just at Christmas

Rotary has no religious or political affiliations. No leaflets are added to any box.



Rotary Shoebox Scheme
www.rotaryshoebox.org

Registered UK Charity 1091507

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Great Britain & Ireland

GIFT SUGGESTIONS TO FILL YOUR BOX

Child ~ For Young Children

Cars, trucks, etc, balls, complete jigsaws, action figures, colouring books, pens, crayons, lego blocks, yo-yo, bubble blowers, wooden and plastic toys, building blocks, pencil case, pencil sharpener, dominoes, playdough / playstacine & cutters, fluffy toys, dolls, stickers, writing pads, skipping rope, scarf, mittens / gloves, hat, harmonica, games, cards....

Teenagers ~ For young people up to 18 years age

Sportswear, scarf, gloves, socks, hat, football memorabilia, writing materials, games, playing cards, tennis ball, tooth brush & paste, deodorants, comb, mirror, costume jewellery, make-up, hair brush, toiletries, school stationery, clothing repair kits, sketch pad, coloured pens / pencils...

Household Goods ~ For Families & Older folk

Scarves, gloves, hats, wrapped soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, disposable razors, shampoo, soap flakes, pan scourers, antiseptic cream, bandages, face or body creams, cosmetics, pens, writing pad & envelopes, T lights, candles, sewing kit, scissors...

Baby ~ Age up to 12months

This is given to new mothers and can include baby wipes, cotton wool buds, baby shampoo, baby oil, talc powder, bonnet, booties and mitts, baby grow, baby blanket, small soft toy or plastic rattle...

For safety

Please securely sellotape tops of liquid containers.
Protect anything sharp and do not put anything sharp into a Child's box.

What NOT to include in boxes

Food, sweets, chocolate & drinks, battery operated toys, conflict related items, matches, inflammable liquids, inflammable aerosols (e.g.: deodorants & hair spray), seeds or any other living material, automatic washing machine powders, washing-up liquid (they often leak when laid flat)

Volunteers Always Wanted - No need to be in Rotary

If you might be prepared to be an Ambassador, or could help out at the warehouse in Oldham, Manchester your contribution would be gratefully received. Contact us through the website for more information

JOIN US FOR A **FESTIVE FEAST**



POTATOES



SPROUTS



PEAS



CARROTS

Main

Roast Turkey Breast & Chipolata

or

Vegetable Wellington

- served with -

roast potatoes

carrots & brussels sprouts

sage & onion stuffing

gravy

Dessert

Christmas Cookie

Or

Chocolate Orange Brownie

Thursday 7th December

SATURDAY 2 & SUNDAY 3 DECEMBER 2023

KNARESBOROUGH

Christmas MARKET WEEKEND

FREE
PARK &
RIDE



Photos by Charlotte Gale Photography

MARKET
OPENS:
SATURDAY
10am-5pm

SUNDAY
10am-4.30pm

**FIREWORK
FINALE:**
SUNDAY 4.30PM



FREE
ENTERTAINMENT
BY A WIDE
VARIETY OF
LOCAL
ARTISTS

HOT FOOD
STALLS AND
PLEASURES, CAFES &
RESTAURANTS
THROUGHOUT
THE TOWN

STALLS AND
INDEPENDENT
SHOPS SELLING
SEASONAL FOODS,
GIFTS & LOCALLY
SOURCED PRODUCTS



www.knaresboroughchristmasmarket.co.uk

#MerryChristmas



Storytime with Santa

Friday 15th December, 6-7pm
£4 per child

Wear your pyjamas and enjoy a cookie and warm milk
while you settle down to a story with Santa
(Parents must stay with their child at this event)



Storytime with Santa - Friday 15th December - £4
In the main school hall

Child's Name: Child's class:

Any dietary requirements?

I would like to pay via: ☐ Online shop - visit foksjs.sumupstore.com

☐ Cash - I enclose: £

This is a limited ticket event, book early to avoid disappointment..



Holy Trinity Church

Briggate, Knaresborough

Christmas Fair

Saturday 2nd December 11am - 4pm
Sunday 3rd December 12noon - 4pm
in the Church Hall

- **Delicious lunches and light bites**
 - **Cakes and Preserves**
 - **Raffle**
- **Tombola and Bottle stall**
 - **Books**
 - **Bric a Brac**
- **and much more!**

All welcome!



CORN CLOSE CARE FARM

Live Nativity

SATURDAY 16TH DECEMBER

Free entry, booking is essential

30 minute sessions available between 4pm and 6pm.

Last entry at 5:30pm.

To book your place email: cornclosecarefarm@btinternet.com

BRING
BOOTS &
A TORCH!

NEW FOR 2023...
SANTA'S
GROTTO!



Come and experience the Christmas Nativity story,
and meet our animals!

Parking at the Bridge Inn,
to meet at Corn Close Care Farm





the national
sleep
helpline

Does your child suffer with sleep issues?

Do you struggle
with your child's
bedtime?

Will your child
not sleep in
their own bed?

WE CAN HELP

 **03303 530 541**
Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 7pm - 9pm
Monday & Wednesday 9am - 11am

Free Parenting Clinics

with

Anisa Lewis

Positive Parenting

www.anisalewis.com



December

7th @ 12.30 pm

Emotions

What is going on with your child's emotions?
One minute they are happy the next they are talking back or
having a tantrum!

Are you wondering why your child's emotional outbursts come
just as you are trying to get everyone out of the door, at the end
of the school day or quite frankly you know it is coming you can
sense it, then BOOM!

Join Anisa (Parenting Coach) on the 7th of December for her
monthly Free Parenting Clinic, this talk is focused on emotions
and what we can do to support ourselves and our young
people.

Join us on zoom, for the 30-minute talk.

Book here:

<https://anisalewis.as.me/theclinic>

or

email: hello@anisalewis.com for the booking link



The Mini Athletics Superstar Holiday Camp

28th - 29th December & 2nd - 5th January

St Mary's Catholic Primary School, Knaresborough,
8.30am -12.30pm

Open to children in Pre-School, Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3
£17 per child per day

FREE PLACES for children who are in receipt of benefits related free school meals
through the North Yorkshire Together FEAST programme.
Email rwilson@miniathletics.com to find out more.

All children will receive a healthy breakfast and packed lunch.
To book your paid place go to www.miniathletics.com/holiday-camps

THE SUPERSTAR HOLIDAY CAMP



www.miniathletics.com



HARROGATE DISTRICT

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES



A selection of activities available in your area

**BASECAMP WINTER
ADVENTURE CAMP -
RAINTON VILLAGE HALL**

Indoor and
outdoor fun with
nature

**ZEN SENSORY
HOLIDAY CLUB - ZEN
SENSORY**

A safe and
inclusive space
for all

**DOPEAMIN HOLIDAY
CAMP - KING JAMES
HIGH SCHOOL**

Physical and
mental well-being
fitness camp

**TOTAL SPORTS
HOLIDAY CAMPS -
ASPIN PARK ACADEMY**

Child-centred
games, sports
and fun

**HARROGATE AFC
HOLIDAY CLUB - COPPICE
VALLEY SCHOOL**

Engaging sports
and craft
sessions

**MINI ATHLETICS
SUPERSTAR HOLIDAY
CAMP - ST MARY'S
PRIMARY**

Game-based
activities and
sports

Book your **FREE**
space now!



**FEAST is available for all children and young
people across North Yorkshire, with free places
and a free meal for eligible children and young
people.**

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