St. John the Baptist R.C. Primary School Milton Lane, Dartmouth, Devon TQ6 9HW Tel: 01803 832495 E-mail: admin@st-johns-dartmouth.devon.sch.uk Website: <u>www.st-johns-dartmouth.devon.sch.uk</u> **Newsletter 28-02-20 NEXT WEEKS DINNER MENU: WEEK 3**

Attendance figures for week ending Friday 14th February are as follows:

Year R 100%	Year 1 94.3%	Year 2 100%	Year 3 100%
Year 4 95.8%	Year 5 98.6%	Year 6 100%	98%

Well done to Years R, 2, 3 and 6 for 100% attendance Whole school attendance this academic year: 95.7%

SCHOOL CHAPLAIN'S PRAYER

Dear Jesus

Help us to be strong like St John the Baptist.

Let us show love, peace and kindness to all.

Encourage us to be the best that we can be and always show your love. Amen

WELCOME MRS ROWDEN

We welcome Anne-Marie Rowden to the Class 3 team. Mrs Rowden has settled in well and is already a valued member of the team.

MESSAGE FROM THE SCHOOL COUNCIL

"We are the School Council; Emelia, Evie-Grace, Riley, Aaron, Olly, Issy, Molly, Jessica and Joey. We are working towards our school gaining the 'Live Simply Award' which is all about making small steps to make a big difference to our world. We are asking if each family can make a 'live simply' pledge. We will be putting ideas onto our school newsletter. Please send your pictures into school about how your family are making a difference."

Live Simply Idea:- Carry a reusable water bottle/coffee cup to cut down on plastic waste/plastic coffee cups.

WORLD BOOK DAY

Next Thursday 5th March is World Book Day. Children can dress up as a book character and there will be some activities going on in school linked to this. The Friends are organising a second hand book and sweet sale after school. Please could the children bring in any second hand good quality books that they no longer read and also any money they wish to spend in a named purse or envelope, All proceeds will go towards our new reading scheme/books for the school.

NEW READING AND PHONICS SCHEME

The Friends are fund raising for a new reading and phonics scheme for the school. There will be a number of events coming up over the next term to raise money for this, so watch this space.

RAINBOW READING CHALLENGE

The school introduced a Rainbow Reading Challenge on Monday 3rd February. The children will earn rewards for the amount of times that they read with an adult at home. Please find the time to read with your children.

EASTER BAZAAR DONATIONS

The Friends of St Johns would really appreciate any donations of Easter Eggs for their raffle at the Easter Bazaar please. If you would like to donate an Easter egg or a box of chocolates then please could they be handed into the office. Thank you.

SCHOOL SHOES

If your child has outgrown their school shoes and they are still of good quality, then please could you consider donating them to school. Thank you.

COMMUNITY HUB @ THE HALL

The Community Hub is back at Townstal Community Hall every Friday from 11am to 3pm until 27th March (including school holidays). There will be tea, coffee, hot meals and warm welcomes. There will also be the use of laptops and a phone and support for access to services, form filling, information and a community swap shop.

ST JOHN'S FACEBOOK PAGE

There is a St John's Facebook page for last minute reminders and information. Please join the group at 'St Johns School Dartmouth'.

THE GIVING MACHINE

Please don't forget to use the 'giving machine' website when shopping, simply go to the site at <u>www.TheGivingMachine.co.uk</u> and choose our school before you shop. Thousands of shops take part from Amazon, Argos and Asda etc. to Zooplus, Zavvi and Zest. Every time you shop the retailer makes a donation to your chosen cause.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thurs 5 th March	World Book Day
Fri 27 th March	Easter Bazaar 1:30pm – 3:15pm
Fri 27 th March	Last day of term
Tues 14 th April	Back to school
Fri 8 th May	Bank Holiday
Mon 25 th to Fri 29 th May	Half Term
Mon 1 st June	Non-pupil day
Tues 2 nd June	Non-pupil day
Tues 21 st July	Last day of term