

# St John's CE Primary School



*"We give children permission to shine and empower them to do so."*  
Nursery Newsletter – Autumn Term



We are so pleased  
with how well the  
children have  
settled into nursery!

## **Nursery team**

Mrs McLeish – EYFS Leader/Nursery Teacher  
Mrs Evans – Nursery Teacher  
Mrs Wilkins – Teaching Assistant  
Mrs Pugh – Teaching Assistant  
Mrs Derry – Teaching Assistant/Play Leader  
Mrs Follows - Teaching Assistant/Play Leader

## **Nursery Routine**

Self-registration  
Maths time  
Learning time  
Snack time  
Phonics  
Story time

**11.45am – 12.15am – Lunch Club (30 hour children)**

Story time  
Learning time  
Snack time  
Rhyme time  
Home time

## Important Dates for the Autumn Term

- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September – Nursery transition week.
- Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September – Nursery start date.
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September – Jeans for Genes Day. Children can wear jeans for £1 donation.
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Nursery closes for October half term.
- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November – Nursery open
- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November - Parents Evening
- Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November – Parents Evening
- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> Dec – Garrick Panto in School for Nursery children.
- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December – Nursery Christmas Production (this will be a recording for you to access).
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December – Party Day
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December – Nursery closes for Christmas holiday.
- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022 – INSET Day.

## Snack time

The children are provided with a different piece of fruit daily as well as a choice of milk or water for their morning snack.

Children can also have an additional snack of crackers, biscuits, rice cakes or breadsticks etc. The cost of this is a £1 a week. You can pay weekly, half termly, termly or for the year. I have broken the costs down for you:

Autumn Term	Spring Term	Summer Term
Weekly - £1	Weekly £1	Weekly - £1
Autumn 1 - £7	Spring 1 - £7	Summer 1 - £5
Autumn 2 - £7	Spring 2 – £ 6	Summer 2 - £7
Autumn Term - £14	Spring Term - £13	Summer Term - £12

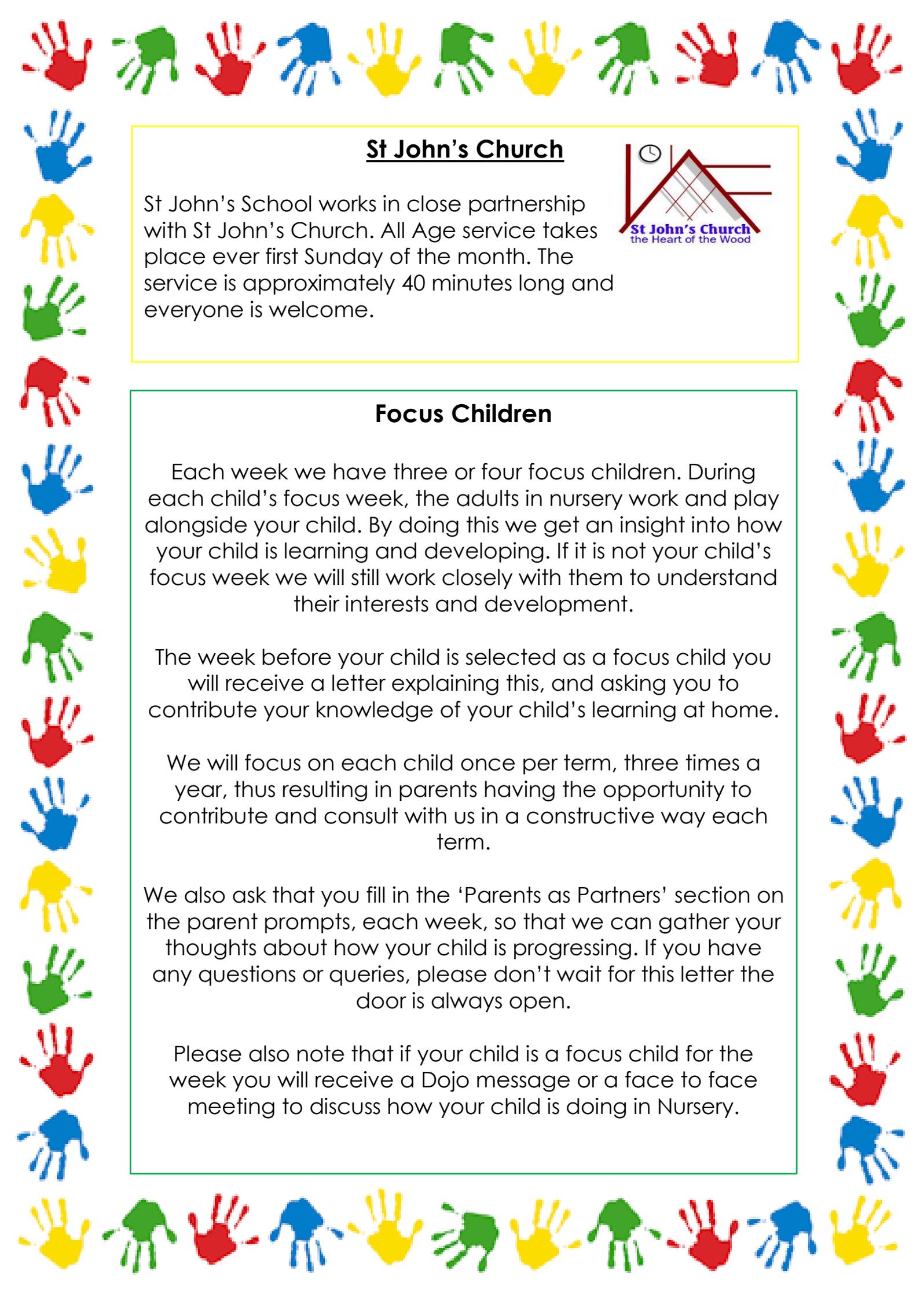
Yearly - £39

Please ensure all money is paid in cash to the Nursery staff by 24<sup>th</sup> September.

Thank you

## Magic Moments

We are really keen to know about any anything exciting or any achievements that occur for your child outside of school. They can share these with us and the class. A magic moment section has been added to the parent prompt letter, that is sent out on a Friday, feel free to write anything! It may be 'Johnny tried mashed potato for the first time' or 'Katie started swimming lessons'. We read out children's magic moments on a **Friday**.



## St John's Church

St John's School works in close partnership with St John's Church. All Age service takes place every first Sunday of the month. The service is approximately 40 minutes long and everyone is welcome.



## **Focus Children**

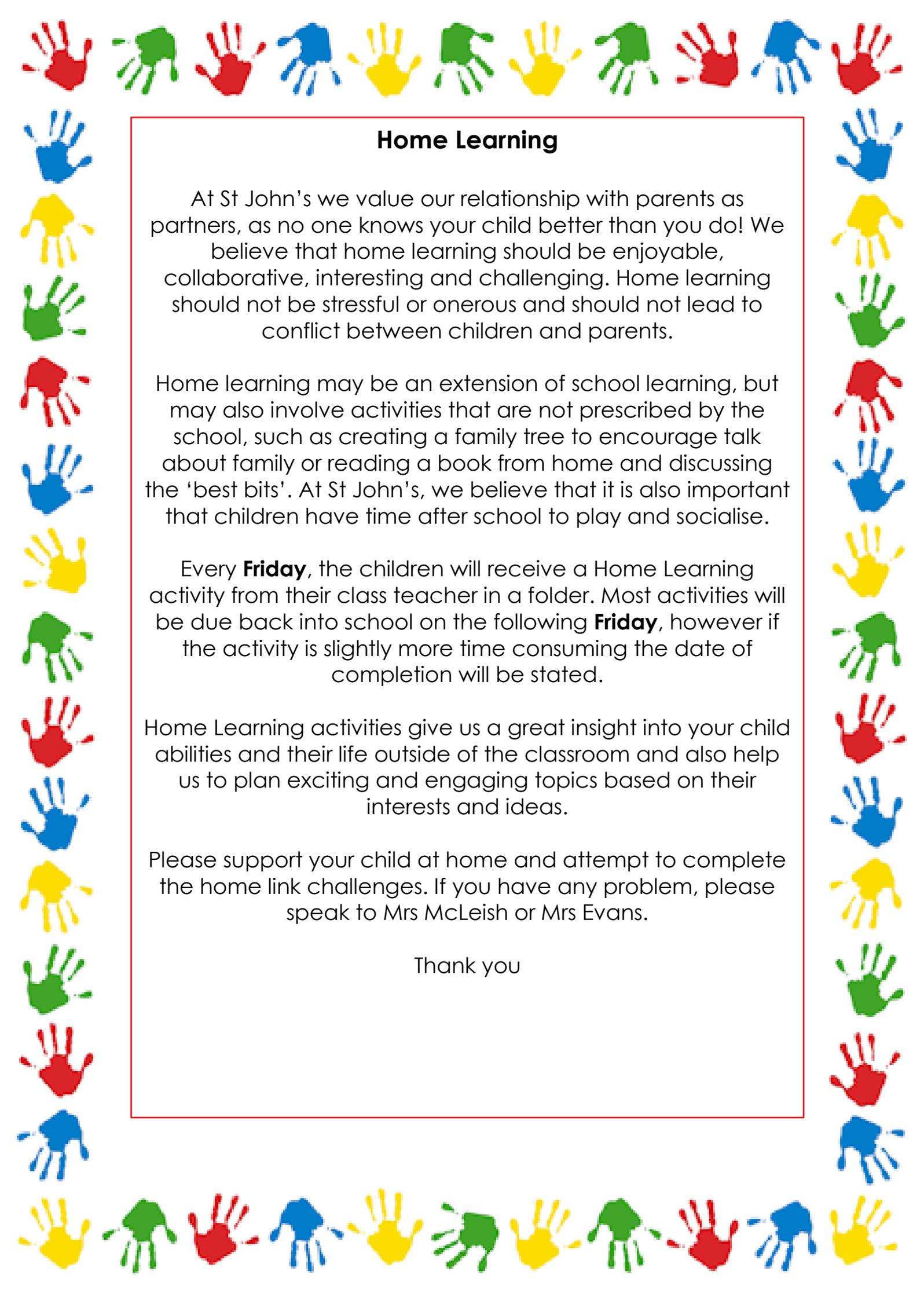
Each week we have three or four focus children. During each child's focus week, the adults in nursery work and play alongside your child. By doing this we get an insight into how your child is learning and developing. If it is not your child's focus week we will still work closely with them to understand their interests and development.

The week before your child is selected as a focus child you will receive a letter explaining this, and asking you to contribute your knowledge of your child's learning at home.

We will focus on each child once per term, three times a year, thus resulting in parents having the opportunity to contribute and consult with us in a constructive way each term.

We also ask that you fill in the 'Parents as Partners' section on the parent prompts, each week, so that we can gather your thoughts about how your child is progressing. If you have any questions or queries, please don't wait for this letter the door is always open.

Please also note that if your child is a focus child for the week you will receive a Dojo message or a face to face meeting to discuss how your child is doing in Nursery.



## Home Learning

At St John's we value our relationship with parents as partners, as no one knows your child better than you do! We believe that home learning should be enjoyable, collaborative, interesting and challenging. Home learning should not be stressful or onerous and should not lead to conflict between children and parents.

Home learning may be an extension of school learning, but may also involve activities that are not prescribed by the school, such as creating a family tree to encourage talk about family or reading a book from home and discussing the 'best bits'. At St John's, we believe that it is also important that children have time after school to play and socialise.

Every **Friday**, the children will receive a Home Learning activity from their class teacher in a folder. Most activities will be due back into school on the following **Friday**, however if the activity is slightly more time consuming the date of completion will be stated.

Home Learning activities give us a great insight into your child abilities and their life outside of the classroom and also help us to plan exciting and engaging topics based on their interests and ideas.

Please support your child at home and attempt to complete the home link challenges. If you have any problem, please speak to Mrs McLeish or Mrs Evans.

Thank you