



# The Two Way Street

Welcome back! The sun is shining ready for the new term (typical now that the holidays are over!) and each year group has plenty of exciting topics to make the year enjoyable. Keep up to date with the school's letters and events on the website!

## After School Clubs & Activities



We always try hard to offer a good range of after school activities and over the year we endeavour to cater for all year groups, although inevitably there are more activities that are suited towards the older children and more clubs generally take place during the summer term when hopefully the weather is more reliable.

This year we would like to notify you of a few changes to the way the clubs are run and paid for (if payment is applicable):

Instead of offering places every half term we will now (where possible) offer places on a termly basis, which will hopefully help parents (and the school) to plan more efficiently. Where there is a cost implication this will also be charged for the whole term. Once a place has been confirmed payments may then be made via Parentmail using either a credit or debit card or alternatively, by using a Paypal account. It will also be possible to pay in instalments on Parentmail, providing the full balance is made by the date given. Just follow the online instructions or ask at the school office where the staff will be happy to assist you. Parents wishing to pay for clubs at the school office will still be able to pay with either cash or a cheque.



A copy of the school's policy for 'After School Activities' can be found on the school website:

<http://www.st-johns.walsall.sch.uk/en/top/our-school/school-policies/>



## Frequently asked questions:

**Q: What if I pay on parentmail and my child doesn't get allocated a place?**

A: We are hoping to accommodate as many children as possible into each club but in the unlikely event that a payment is made and no place given then a full refund will be made.

**Q: What if I pay for a club and my child misses a week. Will I get a refund?**

A: As we subsidise the majority of the clubs it will not be possible to refund for missed weeks unless there are exceptional circumstances for e.g. a broken limb. We hope that parents will encourage their child to attend regularly so that they get the maximum enjoyment from the club. However, refunds will be made (or deducted next time), if a club has to be cancelled by either the outside agency running the club or by the school for any unforeseen reason.

If you have any other questions regarding the school clubs and payment system please contact the school office where a member of staff will be happy to help or alternatively email:

office@st-johns.walsall.sch.uk or phone 01543 452197.

It is our aim to encourage as many children as possible to take part in after school activities as they promote further development of a child's education and above all...they are fun!



If you have any comments, concerns or questions - why don't you email us on our brand new address specifically for the 'Two Way Street'

**Email address:**

[twowaystreet@st-johns.walsall.sch.uk](mailto:twowaystreet@st-johns.walsall.sch.uk)

