



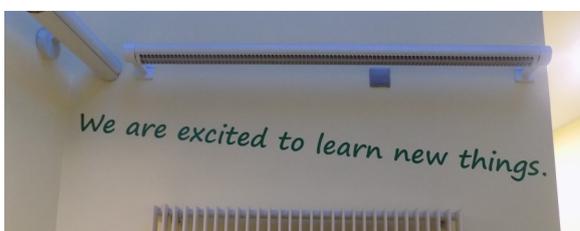
# St. John's Standard

Friday 19th January 2024

## Headteacher's Notes:

It has been an extremely positive first two weeks back in school since the Christmas break and a fantastic start to 2024 at ESJ! All classes have settled back into the routines of school well and I have enjoyed seeing many examples of outstanding work from every year group.

At the heart of everything we do is the concept of **learning** - inspiring a love for learning, supporting positive behaviours for learning, modelling questions for learning and teaching the skills and knowledge that allow learning in all its forms to flourish. With our creative curriculum approaches, every day provides a unique opportunity for new learning to take place and for previous learning to be strengthened.



As families, there is huge scope for support of the learning that takes place in school. Throughout your child's primary school journey, regular reading and sharing of stories and texts in different ways at home with family members remains an absolutely fundamental cornerstone of how you can make a real difference to your child's progress. Alongside school set home learning tasks, any opportunity to talk about the school day, revise key maths facts (our 'Learn Its') and find out more about a topic is hugely useful to help join up the learning that your children are doing. Even just asking about one new thing that they learned at school today and talking about that is extremely beneficial to supporting retrieval and the 'stickiness' of new knowledge. Thank you for everything you are doing to support the learning journey for each and every one of our pupils.

We look forward to sharing more of the learning that your children have been doing and signposting areas for next steps at our upcoming Parent Consultations which will take place in the final week of this half term - week beginning Monday 5th February. Look out for further information on this next week.

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## Update from The Friends



Please see the poster below for details of the upcoming Friends AGM. Whether you would like to join the committee, just find out more about the team or get to meet us all, please do come along! Everyone is welcome.

If you would like to know more but are unable to attend the AGM meeting please do contact the Friends via email - [thefriendsofesj@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:thefriendsofesj@hotmail.co.uk)

Friends of Ely St John's

# AGM

Annual General Meeting

**Everyone is welcome.**  
Stay informed and get involved.

**Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Feb at 7.30pm**  
Staffroom at Ely St John's School  
(duration approx. 1 hour)

**Everyone welcome**

**Parenikind**  
Member Association

We're also looking for parents / carers wishing to join our Volunteer list. If you would like to support us on a more ad hoc basis, please get in touch at [thefriendsofesj@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:thefriendsofesj@hotmail.co.uk). In the run up to any events, we contact our volunteers to see if they can help. There is no obligation and you can help as little or as often as you can. We look forward to meeting you!

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## Dates for your diary...



### January

- Thur 25th** Year 1 Phonics Parent Information Event (6:00pm)
- Mon 29th** Year 5 Trip to Ely Museum - WW1 History focus (all day)
- Tue 30th** Year 6 Trip to O2 Arena - Young Voices Concert (all day)

### February

- Mon 5th** Children's Mental Health Week (all week)
- Fri 9th** 'Dress to Express' non-uniform day
- Mon 12th - Fri 16th** Parent Consultations this week



## 2024

### Spring Term

Training Day (School Closed)	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January
Training Day (School Closed)	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> January
Spring Term opens	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January
Half Term	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February
Spring Term ends	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March

### Summer Term

Summer Term opens	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April
May Day (School Closed)	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May
Training Day (School Closed)	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May
Half Term	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> May
Spring Term ends	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July
Training Day (School Closed)	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July

The Ely St. John's term dates for academic year 2024/25 have now been finalised - see over the page...

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## Term dates for 2024/25...

### Autumn Term 2024

Training Day (School Closed)	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September
Autumn Term opens	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September
Half Term	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct. – Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov.
Training Day (School Closed)	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November
Autumn Term ends	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December

### Spring Term 2025

Training Day (School Closed)	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January
Spring Term opens	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January
Half Term	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February
Spring Term ends	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April

### Summer Term 2025

Training Day (School Closed)	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April
Summer Term opens	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April
May Day (School Closed)	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May
Half Term	Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> May
Summer Term ends	Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July
Training Day (School Closed)	Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July

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