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This has been a great start to the new academic year. The children and staff are working so hard and our wonderful school continues to move forward. This newsletter outlines a few of the activities which have taken place this term.

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St John's School Council

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Our school council works extremely hard to promote 'pupil voice' throughout our school. In September each council member was elected by their peers. Each candidate had to prepare a speech, explaining why they would make an excellent school councillor and how they would make the voice of their peers heard. The elected councillors will serve on the council until the next academic year.





St John's School Council recently attended a Lower House parliament meeting at Liverpool Town Hall. We got the chance to discuss and reflect on what we like about Liverpool and also what we think could be improved. It was great to chat and discuss with other schools.

Thank you to all our parents who attended parents evening this term. Your children are a real credit to you and St. John's.





Our year 5 children did a wonderful job leading our Harvest Festival Celebrations and lead our assembly in Church by doing a presentation for our Year 2-6 children, parents and parishioners. Thank you to all of our parents who donated food stuffs for the most vulnerable in our society. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



Coffee Morning - Sept 2016

A special thanks to all of our parents and staff who supported our Coffee Morning in aid of Cancer Research. Once again it was a huge success raising £.... For this worthy cause. A special thanks to Mrs Melia and Miss Moran for organising the event.

Issue: Sept/ Oct 2016 Winmarleigh Hall At the start of term Year 6 embarked on an exciting and memorable trip to Winmarleigh Hall, Garstang near Preston. Whilst there, we experienced some fantastic outdoor activities such as climbing a nine metre wall, low ropes, quad bikes, all aboard and fencing. Such activities were amazing and lots of us overcame our fears by supporting and encouraging each other. Not only did we enjoy a fantastic time, but we developed new life skills such as team-work, problem-solving, independence and good communication with each other. Such skills are essential for life as we mature and prepare for the next stage of our education. Join St John's PTA Mrs Nicol will be holding a meeting on the 9th November in the school hall to recruit new members of St John's PTA – Please come along!



Table Tennis Club St John's Table Tennis Club is running for Year 3 children every Friday after school from 3.15-4.30pm from the 4th November onwards. If you would like your child to attend please contact the school.



A very warm welcome to our new Parish Priest Father Roy. Already Father Roy has become a familiar face in and around our school and he is very keen to work closely with our school and our parents.

Poppy Appeal



Year 1 boys went to The Pitz to take part in a football competition organised by Everton FC. The boys did a great job and played some fantastic football finishing 3rd overall.

Well done boys!



YEAR 1 EFC COMPETITION

Year 6 Children will be selling Poppy's on the school yard each break time for a minimum donation of 20p.

School closes for Half–Term this Friday the 21st of October at 3.15pm. School re–opens on Monday the 31st of October at 8.50am.