

**Term Dates:**

**Autumn Half-Term**  
Monday 26th  
October - Friday  
30th October

**INSET Day**  
Monday 2nd  
November - No  
school for children

**Last day of  
Autumn term**  
Friday 18th  
December  
School will finish at  
2:00 pm

**INSET Day**  
Monday 4th  
January

**Our Attendance Award for the w/c 5th  
October went to:**

**PLUM CLASS & SILVER BIRCH CLASS -  
100 %**

Well done to **Plum & Silver Birch Tree  
Classes** for their high attendance.

**GOLDEN CUPS awarded to:**

 **OAK & ROWAN  
TREE CLASSES** 

**Rights Respecting Article for  
w/c 19th October 2020**

**Article 1**  
(Definition of the child)  
Everyone under the age of 18 has  
all the rights in the Convention

**The British Value for the week is:**  
Rule of Law

**Word of the week:**  
Influence  
*Definition: The power to have an effect on  
people or things.*

**Autumn 1 Newsletter 3  
Friday 16th October 2020**

**Message from the Headteacher**

Dear SJB Parents and Carers,

We are enjoying celebrating Black History Month and thank everyone who has already placed an order for the delicious brownies from 'The Yummy Brownie'. There are still some left so do get in your orders quick as they are selling fast. The children have been learning about Black heroes and people who inspire them. Don't forget, there is still time to purchase your raffle tickets for our Black History Month raffle draw. Please enquire at the office if you require more tickets.

As you maybe aware, London is now classed under the Tier 2 (High) COVID-19 alert which means that we are evaluating some of our practices. Please see the school website for an updated letter: With half-term approaching, please ensure you are not mixing indoors with people outside of your family or support bubble and are keeping safe.

Please note that Monday 2nd November is an INSET day so we will be welcoming children back to school on Tuesday 3rd November from 8:45 am.

We wish you all a lovely and safe half-term.

Have a lovely weekend.  
Toni Mason

**St John the Baptist Belief of the Week for w/c 19th October 2020**

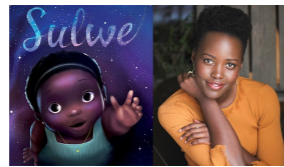
**Honesty**  
Be honest and tell the truth so we can trust each other  
'Giving an honest answer is a sign of true friendship'  
Proverbs 24:26



**St John the Baptist C of E Primary School**

### **Black History Month**

There has been lots of celebrating of Black History Month at SJB and the celebration continues up until half-term.



Every Friday all the classes have been reading a book written by a prominent black person who has either lived before us or who are currently working for change amongst us now. Classes have been discussing and thinking about what they have been reading. Year 3 have been reading 'Sulwe' by Lupita Nyong'o.

Next week, all classes will focus on black heroes where children will identify a black hero and do a creative piece of work on why they are inspired by them. The works will be part of a competition where the winner will receive a prize of a hamper put together by The Black Literacy Fund.



On Friday 23rd October, we are asking our children and staff to come in to school wearing colours of an African / Caribbean country flag. Children can come in to school wearing colours associated with one of the flags however please ensure your child is still dressed appropriately for the cold weather.

Our raffle prize draw is still

going on so if you want a chance to win one of our amazing prizes, please hand in your raffle tickets with correct money and your child's name on the back of the tickets to the school office. More information on the prizes are available on the school website. Tickets are £1 a strip of 5 tickets. Winners will be announced and contacted on Thursday 22nd October so all tickets must be in by Wednesday 21st October.



We still have some delicious brownies available to order. If you would like to place an order, please call the school office first.

### **Half-term**

The half-term holiday will be from **Monday 26th October - Friday 30th October**. There will be an INSET day on Monday 2nd November which means children are not due back into school until **Tuesday 3rd November**.

### **Prayer of the Week**

Every newsletter, we will feature a special prayer written by one of our children. Our first prayer comes from Destiny in Year 3.  
*'Dear God,  
Please help me to be better at learning new things.  
Please help me to be brave and strong.  
God, make me be a nice friend.  
Amen'*

## Well done to all of our Stars of the Week!

Oak

*Desdina  
Ali*

Palm

*Shemilare  
Yusuf*

Cherry

*Kendra  
Daniel*

Holly

*Aila  
Fatim*

Rowan

*Tay'Shaun  
Maria-Jose*

Silver Birch

*Antalya*

Elm

*Jahmarie  
Faith*

Maple

*Jay'delle  
Fataumatta*

Chestnut

*Britney  
Lili*

Willow

*Claudia  
Chiamaka*

Hazel

*Yasmin  
Grace*

Plum

*Samuel  
Angel*