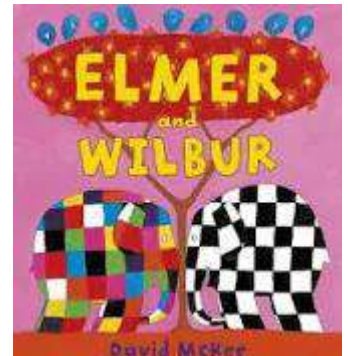


## St. JOHN'S NEWSLETTER

**26<sup>th</sup> September 2025**

During sensory sessions, students are currently looking at Elmer and Wilbur by David McKee.

Students played hide and seek with Wilbur, matching the characters from the story.





## Harvest Festival -

We will soon be celebrating our annual Harvest Festival here at St Johns RC School. We are asking the students to bring in gifts of food which will be distributed to the Redbridge Food-Bank. If you wish to find out more information about the food bank, please go to <https://redbridge.foodbank.org.uk/>

Here is a list of things that they are in urgent need of:



Cereals, tinned fruit, vegetarian food items (tins/packets), jam/spreads, biscuits, shower gel, long life milk, tinned tomatoes, pasta, rice pudding, custard, tinned fish

**PLEASE HELP US TO ENSURE THAT ALL DONATIONS HAVE A GOOD BBE DATE AND ARE NOT DAMAGED OR HAVE BEEN OPENED.**

If you would like to help us celebrate by donating a gift, please send the gifts into class with your child. They will then take their gifts into Assembly on Thursday 10th October. God bless you and your families and thank you for your support.



## Congratulations!

Jude was recently presented with the Jack Petchy award for Outstanding Achiever.

Well done Jude!



## Uniform –



A polite reminder that all students in primary and secondary classes should be wearing uniform. Please contact the school office if you would like to purchase any new items if your child has had a growth spurt over the summer holiday.




## Naming items -

Please could parents/carers put their child's name on ALL their clothes, lunch boxes, water bottles, bags, etc. Many thanks.

### **SEN Football Sessions –**

Please see information regarding SEN football sessions held at Epping St Johns, Epping.



**EVERY SATURDAY**  
**U5-U10 11AM - 11:30AM**  
**U11+ 12 O'CLOCK**  
**EPPING ST JOHNS**  
**BURY LANE, CM16 5JB**

# **SEN FOOTBALL SESSIONS**

**AT EPPING TOWN FC,  
WE BELIEVE FOOTBALL IS FOR EVERYONE.  
THAT'S WHY WE RUN A DEDICATED SEN SESSION OPEN TO  
CHILDREN OF ALL AGES AND ABILITIES.**

**NOT ALL SEN NEEDS ARE THE SAME  
SOME CHILDREN MIGHT SIMPLY WANT EXTRA SPACE AND FREEDOM,  
WHILE OTHERS BENEFIT FROM A SMALLER, SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT.  
WHATEVER THE REASON, YOUR CHILD WILL ALWAYS BE WELCOMED,  
INCLUDED AND CELEBRATED HERE.**

**PLEASE CONTACT: PAUL ON 07725689487  
TO BOOK A SPACE**

**St Andrew's – Name the Scarecrow Competition -**

Name the Scarecrow Competition

What is my name?



Entry - 1 item for the food bank  
(Bring this to St. Andrew's)

**Winner gets a Poppit band**



Competition drawn 1<sup>st</sup> week after half-term



### Book Fair -

There will be a book fair from Friday 17th October to Wednesday 22nd October 2025 in the school library. Students will have the chance to purchase from a range of books, prices starting at £2.99.



We will be running a 'design a book themed bunting' competition. Time will be given at school to complete this. Five £5 vouchers will be given to the winners to spend at the book fair.

Your young person's teacher will let you know the day they are visiting the book fair. There are a few ways to pay:

1. Send in cash.
2. Pre-buy a book fair voucher online. Print and send instead of money.  
<https://bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/gift-vouchers>.
3. Wish List - our young person can complete a list of books they would like to purchase. You can then choose to send in money or pay via the QR code on the wish list. \*The Wish list is not an order form and must be returned to school before the books are given.



### Dates for your Diary –

Date	Event
Harvest Festival assembly	10 <sup>th</sup> October 2025
Book fair	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> - Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October
Last day before half term	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2025 (finish usual time of 2.30 pm)
Half Term	Mon 27 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2025
School returns after half term	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2025
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents' evening (details to follow)



## **Signs of The Week –**

**Please follow the links for demonstrations of the following signs:**

Who	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O3BfJeA7Leo">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O3BfJeA7Leo</a>
Now	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lbDm6qzre10">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lbDm6qzre10</a> (now and next)
Next	(See above link)

## **Happy Birthday!**

A very Happy Birthday to the following students whose birthdays fall this coming week:- Cori, Jude, Sammy and Yusuf.

Also, a very Happy Birthday to our staff members who will also be celebrating:- Donna, Peter, Jess and Hayley.



St John's Team