



Newsletter

5th December 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we head into the last two weeks of term there are lots of exciting things for the children to enjoy. Today is Frosty Fest and the Disco. The Friends have worked really hard to arrange this and it sounded like the children were having great fun. Thank you to all the volunteers who made it possible.

On Monday, 8th December, the school Christmas card post box will be on the playground. We do encourage the children to make or write one card for their class but we know some families like to write and post cards. Please make sure that the cards are clearly named, including surnames and ideally with the class or year group too.

Next week the infants have their performances of Knock, Knock! the nativity. The juniors will see the final dress rehearsal on Tuesday morning.

Monday 15th is the Friends' Pick a Present for the children.

Wednesday 17th is the Christmas lunch, available for all children. The office will send a separate email so if your child doesn't usually have a school meal you can book and pay for one. Also, on Wednesday 17th we have carol service in St John's Church at 2pm, this will be followed by mulled wine, hot chocolate and mince pies in the playground courtesy of the Friends. All the children will be part of the carol service with the junior children leading the service. All families are welcome as are quiet younger siblings.

We finish the term on Friday 19th December, which is Christmas jumper and pantomime day. This year the pantomime is Cinderella. The school day ends early - Infants 1.20pm, lower KS2 Y3&4 1.25pm, upper KS2 Y5&6 1.30pm. There is no after school club on the last day.

Please note all clubs have now finished until the new term.

YEAR 2 Christmas Journey

Squirrels went on 'The Christmas Journey', run by local church group Sparkfish. They had an amazing time learning why Christians celebrate Christmas.

School Sport

The girls and boys football teams have enjoyed positive results of late. The boys had a hard fought 2-2 draw against Hatchlands, twice coming back from behind. The second half they dominated the match and were really unlucky not to get the win they deserved. Goals from Nick and Eddie sealed a point. The girls beat Hatchlands 6-0 and played brilliantly. A first half hat trick from Georgina had the game won by half time. Their performance was full of energy and tough tackling. The girls also entered the Merstham 7 aside tournament. They finished top of their pool to qualify for the



knockout stages where they were unlucky to lose in the semifinal's 0-1. As always the pupils represented the school to the highest standard. A big well done to them all and the parent support.

Attendance

Please see attached the class average attendance percentages, well done to Squirrels! The school's attendance policy can be found at; [Attendance Policy September 2025 StJ](#)

Data Sept 25 to present

Group	% Attend
Squirrels	98.3
Deer	97.3
Falcons	97.1
Otters	96.3
Hedgehogs	95.9
Rabbits	95.4
Owls	94.3

A few important reminders:

Morning drop-off times

Please be aware that the school gates do not open until 8.30am and it is from that point that the playground is supervised by staff, please do not leave children unsupervised outside the gates before 8.30am. Infant's parents/carers must wait in the playground until their children are passed to the infant teachers at 8.45am.

Free School Meals / Pupil Premium eligibility

If you believe that your child may be eligible for free school meals please contact the school office for a form to complete.

Sickness and diarrhoea

Children should not return to school until **48 hours** after the last bout of illness. Please also remember to provide the school office with copies of hospital or doctor's appointment letters.

School Governor's Meetings

The meetings for this academic year will take place on the following dates;

4th Feb 2026

18th Mar 2026

20th May 2026

1st July 2026

If you would like any further information, please contact the Clerk on clerk@stjohn-redhill.surrey.sch.uk

Upcoming Events

December	
9 th	2pm Infant Nativity play parents and carers, NO pre-schoolers
10 th	9.15am Infant Nativity Play, parents and carers, NO pre-schoolers 2pm Infant Nativity Play, grandparents and pre-schoolers
15 th	Pick a present – Friends event
17 th	2.00pm Carol Service at the Church, parents welcome (mince pies and hot chocolate by Friends)
19 th	Christmas pantomime and Christmas jumper day
19 th	Last day of term – early finish Infants 1.20pm, lower KS2 Y3&4 1.25pm, upper KS2 Y5&6 1.30pm
January	
24 th	School Choir & Phoenix Reading Choir concert – Friends event
March	
20 th	Quiz – Friends event
May	
15 th	Summer disco – Friends event
June	
13 th	Summer fair – Friends event

We are hiring!

Qualified Nursery Childcare Practitioner

Perm, full time

Closes: 31 December 2025



1:1 Learning Support Assistant (SEN)

Fixed term, part time

Closes: 1 December 2025



Midday Meals Supervisor

Perm, part time

Closes: 1 December 2025



View vacancies at:

greensandacademytrust.co.uk



Children's Christmas Concert

Sunday 7th December 2pm - 3.30pm

St. John the Evangelist, Redhill RH1 6QA

Everyone is welcome to join us for a family festive treat listening to all our Christmas favourites

Adults £8 - Children Free

(use QR code for tickets or pay at the door)

The Band of
The Surrey Yeomanry



*The Night before Christmas
and other seasonal and family classics*