

Friday 27th January 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We had a great time at the school disco yesterday. A massive thank you to the staff stayed for additional unpaid hours, our PTA volunteers and to Mrs Pearson for organising the event. It was wonderful to see the children having a ball!

Here are a few items of school news:

Football team – Our football team played against St Augustine’s on Wednesday night, we lost 5-2 but it was a very tough game with real resilience shown by our players. Thank you to Mr Callacher and Miss Doyle for organising this.

Reading – As a school, we are passionate about reading. It is key for extending children’s vocabulary, helping them with spelling and helping them to feel confident across all subjects. We expect children from Y1-6 to read at home at least three times across each week; we check the reading records every day and note when the children have read. Those children who haven’t read, 3 times across the week, stay in at break time on Friday for to catch up on the reading that they have missed at home. Please don’t put multiple signatures into the reading record on a Thursday evening, we won’t count them. The idea is that the children read throughout the week. Thank you for your support.

Strike Action – As you will know via the media, staff who are members of the NEU are taking industrial action. This means our Nursery class will be closed on the following dates: Wednesday 1st February; Tuesday 28th February; Wednesday 15th March and Thursday 16th March. Further information on the strike is available here: [Strike information for parents](#).

Disappearing underwear – We used to have a huge stock of children’s underwear, socks, underpants, tights & knickers. Slowly they have disappeared, we would be very grateful for donations of outgrown (good condition) underwear – or if you can afford it, please put a pack in your trolley at the supermarket.

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Celebration Assembly – The following children received certificates in this afternoon’s assembly:

	Achievement	Francis Factor
Reception	Elleina	Archie
Year 1	Isla	Olivia B
Year 2	Patrick	Marcus
Year 3	Miguel	Victoria
Year 4	Kaycie	Eli

Year 5	Quinn	Esme
Year 6	Jeremiah	Kindness
Headteacher's award	Jane - Y3	

As always, please contact the school office with any queries, (please note the school office hours are 8.15am-4pm) via our email contact@st-johnbosco.manchester.sch.uk.

With love and prayers,

Mrs Johnson