



Dear Parents

Welcome to our second newsletter of the new term. Everyone seems to be back into the school routine and early mornings – it certainly takes some getting used to after the six weeks holiday!

I would like to start with an apology. There has been some confusion regarding the date of Monday 18th December and whether this is a PD day or a school day. A decision was made quite a while ago to move this PD day elsewhere and have it as a school day, but unfortunately there seems to have been a lack of communication about this decision. I can only apologise on behalf of the school for this error. Just to clarify, pupils will be in school on Monday 18th December as it is not a PD day. If you have booked a holiday for this week, please rest assured that nobody taking a holiday will have it as an unauthorised absence. Also, pupils will not be required to wear school uniform or bring PE kit on this day. Looking on the bright side, it could be seen as a child-free opportunity for an extra day's Christmas shopping!

Father Chris has been into school today for his fortnightly assembly and has spoken to pupils about an exciting day coming up in the church calendar. He will be holding a Pet Service in church on Sunday 8th October at 3pm when there will be doughnuts and refreshments on offer. He is also holding three competitions, my favourite of which is the 'Do I look like my pet?' competition. I am sure that this will be hilarious! Look out for the posters around school, and take your children and their pets along if you would like to take part.

Speaking of the church, you may be pleased to know that we have brought back our school Harvest celebration. This will take place in church on Thursday 28th September at 2pm. All our parents are invited to attend and each of our classes will be performing or presenting poems, songs, drama etc relating to harvest. We will send a letter home nearer the time giving more information about this.

I would like to remind you about our 50th birthday celebration on Saturday 23rd September from 1 pm to 3 pm which has been organised by our wonderful PTA. There is a wide range of exciting and entertaining activities on offer including tombolas, face painting, refreshments, stalls, and the opportunity to win bottles of wine! Please come along and join in the festivities with us.

With so many children attending our super Breakfast club, we would like to start letting children bring in their own toys to play with during this time. They will only be able to bring small toys that are not valuable as they will be responsible for them. The school will not accept responsibility for any loss or damage. Children will be asked to put them away in their bags before they go to class. It will be a nice opportunity for children to bring in their own toys to share and play with their friends.

Finally, look out for the Parent Forum letter which your child has brought home today. The Parent Forum initiative has been extremely productive and we wish for it continue as successfully in the future.

Líz Símpson

Family Learning Courses

Wednesdays & Fridays

We still have spaces available for our learning courses running on a Wednesday and Friday.

Wednesday morning - Keeping Up With Children Maths course - open to all parents of children in Years 2 - 6.

Friday afternoon - Adult English course open to anyone who does not have a ${\it C}$ in GCSE English.

18th September 2017

Dates for the diary

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21st September	Reception trip to Wesı mıu- lands Safari Park
22nd September	Year 2 trip to Pirate Adventure
23rd September	50th Birthday Celebration
2nd — 6th October	Arthog Residential Trip Years 5 & 6
23rd—27th October	Half Term
1st November	KS1 'Hallowe'en' disco
9th November	Parents' consultation day
12th December	KS1 Christmas Party
13th December	KS1 Christmas Performance (afternoon & evening)
14th December	Golden Ticket Trip
14th December	KS2 Christmas Performance (afternoon & evening)
15th December	KS2 Christmas Party
18th December	Last day of term (Monday)

Attendance Winners

KS1 Mrs Davis 99%

KS2 Year 6 99%



