

St Mary's CE (A) Primary School, Muckleston

Mail on Monday

10th October 2016



Dear Parents and Carers

We are now in the final week of this half term and I would like to thank everyone for their support as I have been settling into my new role. It has been a busy few weeks and the time has passed quickly. I hope everyone enjoys the break and I look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Tuesday, 1st November.

Parent Voice – next meeting, Wednesday 14th December 3:30pm

Thank you to everyone who came to the Parent Voice meeting last week. I hope you found the session informative, it was certainly great to receive your feedback. The next meeting will take place on 14th December at the later time of 3:30pm to make it accessible to more parents, please come along if you have anything you would like to discuss.

Class 1 - Park Hill Farm Visit – Tuesday 18th October 2016



Mrs Turner has given your child a leaflet and directions to Park Hill farm in preparation for the visit tomorrow. Please could parents transporting their child to Park Hill arrive by 8.50am to allow time to park in the large carpark on the left before walking up the single track road to the farm.

Mrs Turner will meet you at the farm to enable the visit to start promptly at 9am. ***Please do not drive up the single track road leading to the farm.***

Children will need to wear wellies and a warm, waterproof coat but will not need their book bags or a change of clothes. Snacks and drinks will be provided. If the weather is particularly wet children may change into their PE kits when returning to school. Please ensure your child's P.E. kit is on their peg so they can change into their trainers for the afternoon.

For 'sat nav' purposes the postcode for Park Hill Farm is TF9 2QA, directions are also included with this week's MOM.

Volunteers Needed!



We are looking for any parents who could spare some time to come into school and listen to children read. If you would like to help please let the school office know which days and times you would be available. Thank you for your support.

Children's Play Equipment

You may have noticed that we have had a new climbing net installed adjacent to the playground outside. Unfortunately, the children are unable to use it at the moment as we still need some more bark on the ground beneath it to ensure the area is safe. Please could you let me, or the school office know if you know anyone who would be able to donate a quantity of play bark to enable the children to start using the equipment.



Autumnal Tidy Up



A huge thank you to Alan Flynn for helping to tidy up the footpaths around school as well as the car park where there was lots of rotting leaves. The school grounds are looking much tidier.

Penny Le Toquin – Trek to Everest Base Camp



Penny will be trekking to Everest Base Camp during the next few weeks and is using the trek to fundraise for the Children's Liver Disease Foundation, a charity that is important to the Le Toquin family. Please take a look at the attachment included with MOM to find out how you can contribute. We wish Penny well on her travels and look forward to seeing some photos on her return.

Chartwells - We're All Ears Annual Parent Survey, Monday 31st October – Sunday 13th November

Our school catering company would like to hear your feedback on the school lunches provided each day. Please log on to the following website from 31st October to register your views
www.loveschoolmeals.co.uk/NSMW

Well done to all who received Awesome Alchemist Awards:



Awesome Alchemist: Class 1 – Ned, Annabelle, Martha, Tom B, Gracie, Jessica and Rafiki

Class 2 – Lucca for independent learning and all children in Class 2 for being helpful to Mrs Jones

Class 3 – Kinley, Calum, Maxim and Ashley

Winning House: Water

Secondary School – Application Deadline, Monday 31st October 2016

If your child is in Year 6 please ensure you have completed your application to secondary school by the 31st October.

FOSMS News:



Quiz Night, Friday 21st October – Knighton Village Hall: There are only a few tables left at this Friday's Quiz Night so please let the school office know if you would like tickets to avoid disappointment. Tickets are £7.50 each and include a fish & chip supper. Bring your own tippie.



Raffle prizes: Thank you to everyone who has already donated a raffle prize for the Quiz Night. Please bring any items you may have - bottles of wine, chocolates, and toiletries - to the school office by Friday Morning. Thank you for your support.



Bags2School: Don't forget we'll be doing a collection of old clothes and textiles just after half-term so clear out those cupboards!

Hugo Meynell – Kitchen Assistant

Mellors Catering are looking to appoint a kitchen assistant to work at Hugo Meynell Primary School for 3 hours a day, with extra hours available from time to time. For more information, or to apply for this position, please contact Stella Bowyer on 07956 886 315 or email StellaB@mellors.co.uk.

C. Newman

Diary Dates

Please note key dates for this term, these are also available on our website. **(New dates are in blue)**



18 th October	Parents' Evening
19 th October	Parents' Evening
21 st October	FOSMS Quiz Night, 7.15pm Knighton Village Hall
24 th October	Half Term week
31 st October	INSET Day, staff only in school
31st October	Secondary School application deadline
16 th November	School Photographs – family shots from 8:30am
6 th December	Class 1 and Class 3 trip to Blists Hill Museum
8 th December	Nativity performance 2pm and 6.30pm
13 th December	FOSMS Chinese Banquet
14 th December	Christmas lunch, children only
15 th December	Children's party afternoon
16 th December	Last Day of term – Christmas jumper day and 2pm Carol Service in church, parents welcome
3 rd January 2017	First day of term
3 rd January 2017	Keele Space Dome in school