



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

Mail on Wednesday

5th September 2018



Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back! We hope you all had a lovely and restful summer holiday. We were so lucky with the weather this year. I am sure you are ready to return to a routine and the children are looking forward to lots of learning and hard work to start the year.

We are delighted to announce after our SIAMS (**Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools**) inspection in July, we were judged as 'Outstanding'. I would like to thank all children, staff, governors, parents and children who supported and contributed to this amazing achievement. I am proud to share the report and hope you will agree it reflects the Christian distinctiveness of our school and how our Christian values are embedded in our learning and conduct.

We have the events and dates list for this academic year 2018 to 2019. Please be aware some dates may be subject to change and we will be adding additional dates as the year progresses. Inset days are noted and we hope this early communication will help parents and carers. Please do not hesitate to make an appointment if you need to see me to discuss further.

You may remember the children produced some art work entitled 'Autumn' to enter the calendar competition, where St Mary's would represent the month of September. We have a number of children selected but our overall winner is Jude Shufflebotham from Class 1. Congratulations to you Jude, your picture was superb and I hope you enjoy seeing your work published. Well done!

Parents and carers have also requested if timetables could be put onto the website. Staff will shortly be uploading their medium term planning (so you can see what learning will be taking place in the classrooms and a timetable to help organise equipment and things your child will need each day).

Routine changes to coming into school and leaving school

From the beginning of our new autumn term, children will come into school via the side gate as usual. A member of staff will be on the gate to welcome you. Please could you say goodbye to your child and they will walk around and be met by Mrs Hill on the playground, who will supervise them and direct to classrooms. We will not line up as before. This is to ensure your child can commence learning promptly and it is a safer routine for the children. **This is with the exception of new Reception children who will enter school on the left side of the building straight to their classroom. This will continue for Reception children until October half term to help them to settle and separate more confidently from parents and carers.**

At the end of the school day, the gate will be unlocked at 3.10pm and parents and carers will be asked to gather outside the classroom doors on the path next to the grass. The children who have younger siblings will be sent to the younger classes in family groups. If you need to speak to the class teacher they will be more than happy to meet when all children have left. Again we believe this is a much safer and more organised way to dismiss your child. We can also see more clearly items that have been left behind in classrooms such as reading books, water bottles and letters etc.

Thank you for your co-operation in these matters.

After School Clubs

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>Football</p> <p>Led by Ashley Hills</p> <p>All welcome - £4</p>	<p>Athletics (A mix of Field and Track activities)</p> <p>Led by Bee Active</p> <p>All welcome - £4</p>	<p>JAFFA</p> <p>Led by Mrs Keen</p> <p>All welcome – no charge as the cost is met by St Mary's Church, the club being seen as a 'mid-week Sunday School'</p>	<p>Japanese</p> <p>Led by Picture Train</p> <p>All welcome - £4</p>	<p>Scooters, Skates & Skateboards</p> <p>Led by Bee Active</p> <p>We provide all the gear you'll need to develop your confidence and skills on wheels safely, including hand guards, knee guards and helmets.</p> <p>Y3-6 - £4</p>
<p>Music</p> <p>Led by Martin Jones</p> <p>For Year 4 - 6 - £4</p>	<p>ECO Club</p> <p>Led by Mrs Keen</p> <p>All welcome - £4</p>	<p>Bear Club (Exploring bears through craft, games and stories!)</p> <p>Led by Mrs Trish Hill</p> <p>Y1-3 - £4</p>	<p>Drama</p> <p>Led by Mrs Warrilow</p> <p>All welcome - £4</p>	<p>Craft</p> <p>Led by Denise McGowan</p> <p>All welcome - £4</p>

Some clubs are filling up fast, please book via ParentPay today if your child would like to attend. We are pleased to say that there will be no increase in the price of after school clubs this term; they remain at £4 per child per session (3:15-4:30pm). However, we will no longer be serving a snack to the children before clubs begin – they are very welcome to bring a snack and an extra drink with them from home, though water is always available.

We have also introduced a late collection fee of £5 for parents arriving after 4.45pm.

The only club there is no charge for is the **Children's Church Club** (previously known as **JAFFA** but renamed by popular demand by the children.) This is seen as a mid-week Sunday School and the cost is met by St Mary's Church and members of the church help to lead it.

We explore the Christian faith and its relevance for today through Bible stories, games, drama, songs and craft. The children also enjoy planning and leading the monthly Family Service in Church.

All children are very welcome, please inform Mrs Sellman if your child would like to attend.

Breakfast Club Bookings

The new booking system for Breakfast Club seems to be working well. However, please could you ensure that you specify the day and time you would like your child to attend the club in the 'notes' section on ParentPay to ensure they are catered for correctly. Thank you.

Music Tuition Schedule

Please can children who receive tuition from our music specialists remember to bring their instruments and music on the following days:

Guitar and Ukulele –Tuesday morning

Clarinet –Tuesday afternoon.

Violin – Friday afternoon.

I am pleased to confirm that children who received violin tuition last year will be able to continue with their lessons each Friday. Mrs Hughes will also provide private or smaller group lessons for those children who would like them. Please let me, or Mrs Sellman, know if you would like your child to receive the additional lessons by Friday 7th September Mrs Hughes can plan accordingly.

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St Mary's Church of England Primary School - Dates List 2018/2019

Please note some dates may be subject to change and new dates will be available as the academic year progresses.

Inset Day 1	3/9/18
Inset Day 2	4/9/18
Phonics parent workshop - Early Reading (Class 1 parents)	18/9/18 (9-9.30 am)
Class 2 School trip	19/9/18
Early writing parent workshop (Class 1 parents)	25/9/18 (9-9.30 am)
Full governing board meeting – Parent invite 6pm	4/10/18
Open Door Shrewsbury (Year 5 and 6 only)	10/10/18
New starters and Harvest Service in Church – Whole school to attend	14/10/18
Photographer in school (pupils, staff and governors)	23/10/18
FOSMS Quiz Night	26/10/18
Half term holiday	29/10/18 -2/11/18
Inset day 3	5/11/18
Maths - Explore Learning (4 – KS2 pupils)	7/11/18
Remembrance service in church	9/11/18 (10.45 am)
Parent workshop Maths – all parents invited	12/11/18 (3.30- 4.00pm)
Parent workshop – Reports – all parents invited	26/11/18 (3.30-4.00pm)
Class 1 School trip	28/11/18
Pantomime visit - Wind in the Willows	4/12/18
Full governing board meeting – Parent invite 6pm	5/12/18
Nativity Performance	12/12/18 (2pm and 6pm)
Christmas stalls	14/12/18
Staff and pupils break up for Christmas Holiday	21/12/18 (9am)
Christmas service in church	
Inset Day 4	7/1/19
Pupils return for Spring Term	8/1/19
Full governing board meeting – Parent invite 6pm	12/2/19
FOSMS Beetle Drive	15/2/19
Half term holiday	18/2/19-22/2/19
Dove Dale 'Putting Wow into worship' 10 pupils from Year 5 and 6	21/3/18 -22/3/18
Full governing board meeting- Parent invite 6pm	9/4/19
Easter egg hunt and Easter bonnet parade	12/4/19
Easter service in church	(9 am)
Staff and pupils break up for Easter holiday	
Pupils return for Summer term	29/4/19
May day	6/5/19
SATS week Key Stage 2.	13/5/19
Half term holiday	27/5/19-31/5/19
Summer Fayre	15/6/19 (provisional)
Production dress rehearsal	3/7/19
End of Year/Leavers Production 1.30 pm and 6 pm	4/7/19
Leavers Service in Church Followed by BBQ Whole school to attend	14/7/19
Sports Day (start time to be confirmed)	10/7/19
Full governing board meeting – parent invite 6pm	11/7/19
Reserve sports day (start time to be confirmed)	12/7/19
End of Year service in Church 9.30 am	19/7/19
Pupils break up for Summer holiday	19/7/19
Inset day 5	22/7/19