



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

Mail on Monday

12th November 2018



Dear Parents and Carers

I would like to start by saying a huge thank you to all of the parents and children who came in to school on Saturday to help move the bricks from behind our septic tank. We are well on the way to completing the task and will plan one more Saturday morning (details to follow) to finish the job! It was a real workout but the tea and chocolate biscuits helped! Thanks once again.

I think you will agree the church grounds look amazing with the WI poppies on display. Thank you to the family members, friends and members of Mucklestone community for attending our Remembrance Service on Friday. The children sang and spoke beautifully. They were thoughtful and respectful and I am very proud of them.

Sports Champions Athlete Visit – Thursday, 6th December

In early December we will be visited by Leon Baptiste, a British athlete who has won a commonwealth gold medal in the 200m sprint and also competes in boxing. As part of our visit, the children will be taking part in physical sessions outside. The Sports Champions Charity organise these sessions as a sponsored event to pay for the cost of the athlete's visit and a sponsor form will be coming home with your child tonight to enable you to provide as much support as possible.

Children will need to come into school in their PE kits on 6th December and the event will take place in the afternoon (to avoid Class 3's swimming session). We hope it will be a fun, aspirational and purposeful day for all our children.

Children In Need – Friday, 16th November



St Mary's will again be supporting the annual Children in Need event taking place this Friday. The theme this year is 'spots' and children may come to school in their own clothes in return for a £1 donation. Thank you for your support.

School Lunch – Menu Change

There will be a change to the published menu on the next two Wednesday lunch times. This week the roast will be turkey and the following week it will be pork. Please accept our apologies for these changes which are due to deliveries from our suppliers.

Guitar and Ukulele lessons

These will take place each Thursday afternoon for the duration of this half term. Please could you ensure that children have their instruments in school every Thursday. Thank you.

Class 1 Trip to Blists Hill, Victorian Museum – 28th November

Please look out for a letter with more details of this trip in the next few days.

Whole School Trip - Wind in the Willows, New Victoria Theatre Tuesday 4th December

I am pleased to confirm that the whole school will be going to see the New Victoria Theatre's Christmas production again this year. A letter with more details will follow shortly.



Report workshop – Monday 26th November 3.30pm

Following the success of the recent Phonics and Maths workshops there will be a further one communicating our new, reporting format. The workshop will explain the language we will use in our end of term reports and what it means.

Eccleshall Christmas Tree Festival Singing Event - Holy Trinity Church Eccleshall, Thursday 29th November

All children who attended Music Club with Martin Jones during the last half term will be performing at the Eccleshall Christmas Tree Festival. We are waiting for final details around the timings of our performance but it is likely to be at 12pm. We will communicate more details as soon as we have them.



Well done to all who received awards for 'Winning the Battle':



Winning the Battle Certificates:

Class 1 – Harriet and Finn

Class 2 – Bethany, Gracie, Macy, Martha, Theo, Jessica and Orla

Class 3 – Emily, Jamie, Lara, Dylan, Charlotte, Ryan and Jake



Winning House: Gallipoli



Church and Community News:

Calendar Project – Festival Drayton Centre, display throughout November

All of this year's calendar entries are now on display at the Festival Drayton Centre in Market Drayton. Please pop in and take a look next time you visit town as they look fabulous.



FOSMS News

Mucklestone Christmas Supper and Charity Auction – 7.15pm Tuesday 11th December (White Lion, Knighton)

Tickets for this fantastic event cost £20 and are now on sale from the school office or Graham Sedgley. We hope you will be able to join us for a festive evening which includes a two-course supper and charity auction. All proceeds will be given to The Friends of St Mary's Primary School.

Look out for ways to contribute to the legendary Christmas hamper later this week and, if you are able to help with any auction prizes, please speak to a member of the FOSMS team. Thank you.

Co-op Local Community Fund

We are delighted that we have been chosen for the next round of the Co-op Local Community Fund; please visit www.coop.co.uk/membership and select Friends of St Mary's School (FOSMS), Mucklestone as your local cause if you are already a member of the Co-op.

Every time members shop at the Co-op, 1% of what they spend on selected own-brand products goes to the Co-op Local Community Fund. If you don't have membership, you can find out more about Co-op membership in-store or online at www.coop.co.uk/membership.

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Clare Hill

Head Teacher

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.

Children in Need Day	16/11/2018
Keele Stardome to visit school	21/11/2018
NSPCC visit school (No swimming for Class 3 – pool closed for maintenance)	22/11/2018
Parent workshop – Reports – all parents invited	26/11/18 (3.30-4.00pm)
Class 1 School trip to Blists Hill Museum	28/11/18
Christmas Tree Festival, Eccleshall Church	29/11/2018
Pantomime visit - Wind in the Willows (Whole School)	4/12/18
Full governing board meeting – Parent invite 6pm	5/12/18
Sports For Champions – Leon Baptiste visiting school (All children to wear P.E. kit)	6/12/2018
Mucklestone Christmas Supper and Charity Auction – White Lion, Knighton – all proceeds being donated to FOSMS	11/12/2018
Nativity Performance	12/12/18 (2pm and 6pm)
Christmas stalls	14/12/18
Christmas lunch – children only	19/12/2018
Christmas Jumper Day	20/12/2018
Staff and pupils break up for Christmas Holiday Christmas service in church – 9.15am	21/12/18
Inset Day 4	7/1/19
Pupils return for Spring Term	8/1/19
Full governing board meeting – Parent invite 6pm	12/2/19
Half term holiday	18/2/19-22/2/19
FOSMS Fashion Show – more details to follow	1/03/2019
Dove Dale 'Putting Wow into worship' 10 pupils from Year 5 and 6	21/3/18 -22/3/18
Class 3 – Visit to Regent Theatre, Hanley to watch Warhorse 7.30pm	01/04/2018
Full governing board meeting- Parent invite 6pm	9/4/19
Easter egg hunt and Easter bonnet parade Easter service in church – 9.15am Staff and pupils break up for Easter holiday	12/4/19
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)
Class 3 – Residential week, PGL Boreatton Park	24/06/2018 to 28/06/2018
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 9.15 am	19/7/19
Pupils break up for Summer holiday	19/7/19
Inset day 5	22/7/19