



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

Mail on Monday

19th November 2018



Dear Parents and Carers

Brick Removal (Part2!) – 9am, Saturday 24th November

We are having a skip delivered to school ready for Saturday 24th November when we will be removing the remaining bricks from the school grounds. We are predicting that a 9am until 1pm session will be sufficient on this day. We had a really successful morning last time and are asking for any willing helpers or volunteers (and wheelbarrows) to help us complete the task. Thanks for your continuing support in this project.



Sporting Events

We are fast approaching our sporting events for the Autumn term with the following events already confirmed:

- Tuesday, 27th November - High Five Netball Tournament 2pm to 4pm at Keele University
- Thursday, 29th November - Football competition for small schools 1pm to 4pm at Keele University
- Date TBC – Sportshall Athletics, Newcastle Academy

Parents of the children involved will be notified shortly via letter.

National Young Mathematician's Award

I am pleased to announce that the four children who participated in the recent Math's competition in Wolverhampton were successful in gaining a place in the next round. This will take place on Wednesday 5th December. Well done Lara, Emily, Jamie and Jake for representing St Mary's so well; we wish you lots of luck in the next stage.



Photography Club – Tuesday afternoons



A reminder that all children taking part in the weekly Photography Club are able to bring their own camera to school for the sessions should they wish to do so.

Mrs Cartwright – Retirement Event from 2pm on Wednesday, 21st November

You may be aware that Mrs Cartwright will be leaving us this month so, in recognition of her significant contribution to St Mary's we will be holding a short assembly to say thank you and wish her a long and happy retirement. All parents and carers are welcome to join us in the hall from 2pm on Wednesday afternoon to give Mrs Cartwright a fabulous send off. Tea, coffee and a selection of cakes will be served afterwards.

Swimming – Class 3 No session this week

A reminder that Market Drayton Swimming Pool is closed for essential maintenance this week so children in Class 3 will resume their lessons next Thursday, 29th November.

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

We have received confirmation that the start time will be 11 am. Details for individual parents of children involved to follow.



Spellodrome – All children in Classes 2 and 3



From Friday, 23rd November all children in Classes 2 and 3 will have access to a two week trial of Spellodrome, an online resource to help to improve spelling skills. Spellodrome was created by the same company as Mathletics and has a variety of activities, games and challenges to help your child learn how to spell the words included within the National Curriculum lists for their year group.

Your child's log in details are the same as Mathletics and are printed, along with the web address, in the front of their reading records. Please encourage your child to use Spellodrome at home as we will be monitoring its usage with a view to purchasing the resource if it proves popular. Thank you.

Mucklestone 30mph Speed Restriction

Please could I remind all parents and carers of the 30mph speed restriction throughout the village of Mucklestone. The local Speed Watch team will regularly be helping to enforce this limit but it has been brought to my attention that some motorists are approaching our school at speeds of around 50mph. Thank you for your understanding.

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



Winning the Battle Certificates:

Class 1 – Jennifer, Caian, Thomas, William, Penelope, Jack, Henry and Zac

Class 2 – Marie, Gracie, Kiera, Bethany, Skye, Macy, Tom B and Ned

Class 3 – Billy, Leon, Mia and George,

Winning House: Gallipoli



Church and Community News:

Loggerheads Benefice Messy Church – Saturday, 24th November

Our next session of Messy Church will be **Saturday, 24th November** and will be held at Hugo Meynell from 4 – 6 pm. This month's theme is "I am the Vine" and the session will include vegetable models, cake decorating, a meal and games.



A warm welcome awaits you at any of the services at

St Mary's Church, Mucklestone: 11:15am every Sunday morning

The next **Family Service (with Holy Communion)** will be on

Sunday 25th November at 11:15am

Members of Children's Church Club will be taking part in the service.

Please join us if you can. For further information contact Denise Keen:

deniseakeen@btinternet.com / 07761446753

Please let me know as soon as possible if your child is able to take part and by

Wednesday 21st at the latest. Thank you.



Advance notice:

This year's Christingle Service will be on Sunday 9th December at 11:15am



FOSMS News

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

There are only a few tickets remaining for this fantastic event so please call into the school office to purchase yours as soon as possible if you would like to come along.

Thank you very much to everyone who has generously offered to provide items for the hampers that will be auctioned and raffled at the event. Several parents have mentioned that they would like to help but there are no spaces available to add their name to the list. A second poster will be placed outside school this week to give those parents the opportunity to contribute too so please look out for the board again.

If you are able to help with any, 'money can't buy' auction prizes, please speak to a member of the FOSMS team. Thank you.

Usborne Book Fair – From 2.30pm, Friday 23rd November

All children received a letter with more details about the Usborne Book Fair on Friday afternoon. Please take a look at the leaflet and use the order form provided to pre-order any titles. More books will be available to purchase on Friday so come and take a look. Every book sold helps St Mary's earn free books for our children and it is a great chance to buy some early Christmas presents!



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.



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.

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
Bee Active – Launch of Daily Mile 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
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
Loggerheads Parish – Summer Fete at Hugo Meynell	7/7/19 (12pm to 4pm)
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