



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

## Mail on Monday

### 26<sup>th</sup> November 2018



Dear Parents and Carers

What a talented school we have!!

On Friday, we joined with Bishop Lonsdale Academy choir to perform a number of Christmas songs at Holy Trinity Church Christmas Tree Festival, in Eccleshall. Thank you to parents, friends and community members for supporting us. Both the band and choir were amazing, we had a wonderful morning and were very proud of how we performed. A huge thank you to staff and particularly Martin Jones who led the choir and shared his expertise with us. We are looking forward to many more music events in the future.

Members of Class 3 took part in two sporting events last week, Hi Five Netball and Football. We came second in the football tournament and children were extremely proud of their medals. We also worked hard in the netball competition too. Well done St Mary's for your team spirit, hard work and positive attitude towards sport. Fantastic!

Last Wednesday Class 2 were very lucky to be invited to Alice in Wonderland Pantomime at Cheswardine Residential and Nursing Home. We sang carols with the residents, joined in with the pantomime and even came home with a goodie bag. I was asked to dressed up as the queen of hearts, lady in waiting and had a little acting debut!!!! I think I will stick to teaching.

The school choir and band will be performing at Cheswardine Residential and Nursing Home on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December. We will be going during the afternoon and may return a little later than the end of the school day. If your child played an instrument in the school band for the concert please could they bring their instrument on Monday 10<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.

#### **Wind in the Willows - New Victoria Theatre, Tuesday 4th December**

The theatre has confirmed that the pantomime will last just over two hours tomorrow so we hope to return to school between 5pm and 5.15pm.

If you haven't already done so, please log into ParentPay as soon as possible to provide consent for your child to take part in the trip and make a voluntary contribution should you wish to do so.

#### **Athletics Competition at Newcastle Academy, Wednesday 5th December**

Several children in Class 3 will be taking part in an inter-schools athletics competition on Wednesday, please look out for a letter with more details if your child is taking part.

#### **Maths Competition – Round 2**

Round 2 of the Young Mathematicians Award will take place tomorrow. Mrs Turner will accompany the children to the competition in Wolverhampton. Please could the children taking part remember a packed lunch as they will be leaving school at around 10.30am. Thank you.

#### **Sports Activities on Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> December**

Please could children arrive at school in their P.E. kit on Thursday as we will be focusing on sport for the day. During the morning our Bee Active team will officially launch the daily mile using the markers that have been placed around our grounds.

In the afternoon Leon Baptiste, Commonwealth gold medal winner, will be visiting school. Please bring any completed sponsorship forms to the school office as soon as possible so we can hand them to him during his visit. Thank you.

**Please note: Children in Class 3 will still be swimming on Thursday morning.**

### Nativity Performance 2pm and 6pm, Wednesday 12th December



The children are working hard rehearsing for next week's Nativity and are excited about performing for parents and carers.

As space in the hall is a challenge please could I ask that you only attend one of the performances. Thank you.

### St Mary's Texting Service (via ParentPay)

Thank you to everyone for registering their mobile phone number on ParentPay to enable the school texting service to be set up. Only a few parents have reported that they did not receive a text and hopefully these issues will be rectified in the next few days. Another 'test' message will be sent later in the week so look out for further communication.

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



#### Winning the Battle Certificates:

Class 1 – Caian, April, Jude, Isobel, Finn and Henry

Class 2 – Paddy, Bethany, Gracie, Annabelle, Macy, Skye, Martha, Will

Class 3 – Alex C, Charlotte, Joe W and Sam

**Winning House:** Somme

### Church and Community News:



A warm welcome awaits you at any of the services at

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

The **Christingle Service** will be on **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 11:15am**

Children from Children's Church Club will be helping to lead the service

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

[deniseakeen@btinternet.com](mailto:deniseakeen@btinternet.com) / 07761446753

Children who don't normally attend Children's Church Club are very welcome to take part

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

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup>** at the latest. Thank you, Denise Keen.

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We will/will not be able to attend the Christingle Service on 9<sup>th</sup> December

Child's name ..... Signed ..... (Parent/Carer)



### FOSMS News

### Mucklestone Christmas Supper and Charity Auction – 7.15pm Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December (White Lion, Knighton)

With only a week to go to this fabulous event the FOSMS' team are finalising this year's auction catalogue in a view to publishing it via email in the next few days. There are some amazing, 'money can't buy' lots, so look out for the catalogue and ways of bidding for items even if you are unable to come along on the evening.

**Thank you to everyone who offered to donate items for the hamper, please bring these into school by 9am on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December at the latest as we will be wrapping the hampers after school that day.**

# 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](http://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](http://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.

Pantomime visit - Wind in the Willows (Whole School)	4/12/18
Athletics Competition – Newcastle Academy	5/12/18
Maths Competition – Round 2	5/12/18
Full governing board meeting – Parent invite 6pm	5/12/18
<b>Bee Active – Launch of Daily Mile</b>	6/12/2018
Sports For Champions – Leon Baptiste visiting school (All children to wear P.E. kit)	
Musical performance at Cheswardine Nursing Home	
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 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
<b>Inset Day 4</b>	<b>7/1/19</b>
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
<b>Loggerheads Parish – Summer Fete at Hugo Meynell</b>	<b>7/7/19 (12pm to 4pm)</b>
Leavers Service in Church Followed by BBQ <b>Whole school to attend</b>	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
<b>Inset day 5</b>	<b>22/7/19</b>