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We are a global community, learning and growing together.

Tuesday, 08 January 2019

PTA

12th February is Movie Night!

Dear Families,

So good to see you all again this morning. Everyone hopefully is refreshed after the break and ready for Term 2.

Yesterday, teachers had a really useful time in school reviewing the use of the chrome books and planning for this term. We are implementing RWInc which is being led by Helen Hocknell. It is a scheme that supports the teaching of phonics, reading and writing. We will be having a meeting so families can become more familiar with how it works.

Throughout the school we are asking that every child reads every day and that it is recorded in their reading record. It does make a difference to their decoding skills, fluency and comprehension skills.

This is going to be really stressed by class teachers and we need your support.

The last week of term Newts won the trophy. Well done!



On Thursday 20th December all the children spent time in their houses creating wonderful art work.

Allergy Reminder

Please can I remind everyone we are a **nut and seed free school**. Please respect this for all events – cake sales, International Evening, Fete, birthday treats etc. Thank you. We have successfully managed this for 3 years as we have all worked together and I know we will continue to do so. Please remember that selection boxes of sweets often contain nuts.

Lateness and attendance

We have had several changes in the office. Now they have settled down we will be following up any late starts and absences that are causing concern. This will result in a letter being sent home and the need for you to come and meet with me. This is a supportive process but it is based on the understanding that your child's education is hugely important and any time missed will have an impact.

Our value is Curiosity

Toys in School

Children should not bring schools in school. Thank you.

Jewellery

Children should only wear studs, there is no need to wear any other jewellery. Thank you.

Breaktime Snacks

Snacks for breaktime should be healthy choices. For example fruit or vegetables, health bars that are healthy. A great deal of crisps are appearing especially with the older children and it is not setting a great example to our younger pupils. Thank you for your support.

Family Collective Worship

On Wednesday, you are welcome to join us in the hall for Collective Worship.

9th January Highlights of last term

16th January P4C

23rd January Year 1

30th January Library and Librarians

6th February Poetry

13th February Year 3

27th February P4C

6th March World Book Day – dress a book character

13th March Year 3

20th March Year 1

27th March Curriculum Event – Topic

3rd April Year 2

Thursday Collective Worship

Thursday Collective Worship is led by St Barnabas' Church

10th January Epiphany

17th January Baptism of the Lord

24th January St Paul

31st January Candlemas

7th February The Queen

14th February St Barnabas'

28th February Temptations

7th March Ash Wednesday in Church

14th March Giving up and starting again

21st March Lady Day

28th March Mothering Sunday

4th April Passions and Palms

The new priest for St Barnabas', Christopher Woods will be inducted on Thursday 28th February at 7pm

School events

Parent Consultations are during the week of the 11th - 15th March

Class Teachers put signup sheets outside the classroom. Please sign up it is a really important to make time for these meetings.

Term Dates 2018-2019

Term ends Friday 15th February at 3pm
The second half of term 2 starts on Monday 25th February
Term 2 ends on Friday 5th April at 1.30pm
Term 3 starts on Tuesday 23rd April
Half term ends on Friday 24th May at 3pm
INSET day Monday 3rd June.
The second half of term 3 starts on Tuesday 4th June
Term 3 ends on Tuesday 23rd July at 1.30pm

2019-2020

Term 1 starts on Wednesday 4th September 2019
Half term ends Friday 25th October
Term second half of term 1 begins Tuesday 5th November the 4th is an INSET day
Term 1 ends on Thursday 19th December at 1.30pm
Term 2 starts on Monday 6th January
Half term ends on Friday 14th February at 3 pm
The second half of term 2 starts on Monday 24th February
Term 2 ends on Friday 3rd April at 1.30pm
Term 3 starts on Monday 20th April
The half term ends on Friday 22nd May at 3 pm
The second half of term 3 starts on Tuesday 2nd June
Monday 1st is an INSET day.
The term ends on Tuesday 21st July 2020 at 1.30pm

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Thank you ever so much to all the parents who have made such a difference to music in the last few weeks. We really appreciate your support! It was wonderful to have such a good turnout at the concert and hugely touching to see so many parents, relatives and friends when the choir sang at the Westgate. An enormous thank you as well to the amazing parents who gave up all afternoon to accompany us! It really does have a huge impact and enables us to do these things. Many many thanks, Mrs Garrod. The choir raised £381.03 for Oxford Poverty Action Trust! This will eventually be worth about £857 due to gift aid and match funding. Thank you everyone!

Hill End – Forest School

28th February Year 5 and Year 1
28th March Year 6 and Year 1
23rd May Year 3 and Year 1
11th July FSU – Reception and Year 1
We love having parent helpers so we thought we would let you know in advance when the trips to Hill End are taking place.

School Information

Where to go in the mornings.
KS2 pupils enter via the outside classroom door.
KS1 children enter via the KS1 door which is located in the back playground with the wooden climbing frame.
Year 1 children enter and then go straight ahead – out the doors, down the steps in the courtyard and then turn right into the door that leads into Year 1.
Reception (F1) and Nursery children enter via Hart Street entrance.
If you have a KS1 and KS2 child, it is easier to drop the KS2 child off first and then go to KS1. If you have a Reception (F1)/Nursery child and KS1 child, you can come in via the Reception (F1)/Nursery class entrance and then take your child to KS1 and leave via the KS1 entrance.

Messages from the Office

Please help us by returning permission slips for school trips promptly.

Please can all Parents check their ParentMail accounts and ensure that their child's dinner money is paid up to date for last term.

If you haven't already done so, please make any bookings for any of the schools ASCs this week.

Lunches and water bottles

Please ensure your children come to school with their packed lunches, for those not having school dinners and water bottles. It is very time consuming for the office staff to take these items round to the classes, which is distracting them from their work.

Please do not ask the office if you can go to the classroom to take items to your child or to speak to the class teacher, during the school day this is not possible.

Fiona Young - retirement

Fiona Young would like to thank children and their families for the cards and donations she received.

After School Club

If you are late to pick up your child please check Mrs Hawkins room first because the children will usually be waiting there.

Come and Play at St Barnabas' Church

St Barnabas' Church are delighted that from **Tuesday 5th February** they will be relaunching their play group for parents, grandparents, carers and their babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers. The group will run from 9.30-11.00am each Tuesday during term time.

Warm regards

F.J. Hawkins

Fiona Hawkins



HELP PREVENT LIFE-THREATENING ALLERGY EMERGENCIES

List of allergens in our school:

Kiwi
Peanuts
Sesame Seeds
Tree Nuts

Students come to school with diverse medical conditions, some serious and even life threatening, that can impact their learning and their health. Exposure to an allergen can create an emergency situation where the student faces life-threatening anaphylaxis within moments.

An allergic reaction begins when an allergen comes in to contact with the mucous membrane of a predisposed person. This can be by eating, inhaling, or by rubbing the mouth, nose, eyes, or a cut with traces of an allergen on their hands.

Currently there is no cure for food allergies and strict avoidance is the only way to prevent a reaction. Protecting a person from exposure to offending allergens is the most important way to prevent life-threatening anaphylaxis. Avoidance of exposure to allergens is the key to preventing a reaction.

The risk of accidental exposure or cross-contamination is always present. Most anaphylactic reactions that occur in schools are due to food allergies. School is a high-risk setting for accidental contact with a food allergen, due to such factors as allergens in packed lunches or in food brought in for celebratory events, that could result in accidental ingestion or contamination of tables, desks, and other surfaces.

Thank you to everyone for your ongoing vigilance of not bringing allergens in to school and for creating and maintaining a healthy, safe, and inclusive school.