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"As unique individuals, we do our best at work and play for the love of God and others."



Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your support in the changes we have been making – and for the positive feedback.

- 1) Following feedback about the Friday awards, we will endeavour to tell parents the night before via email- who will receive the certificates so that you can attend where possible.
- 2) We have received some feedback about school lunches. We really value the hard work that Ashley and Amber put in but they have also expressed some concerns with the current system. The provider is up for renewal in December so will do some research and see how we can improve. Please bear with us while we look in to alternatives.
- 3) The new website will (hopefully) be live by Monday 16th September. It is still a work in progress but I hope it will be easy to interact with. We will be updating the photos in the near future. The calendar will soon show all the upcoming events for children so that you can stay well informed. For the time being you can use https://stbenedicts.cheshire.sch.uk/
- 4) Next Thursday (19th) the <u>Reception</u> team will be holding a parent workshop at 9am (for about 30minutes) to help you understand how to support your child to read. The following Thursday (26th) the <u>Year 1</u> team will be doing the same for Year 1. We appreciate it is short notice, so will repeat the same event on October 10th for any parents (reception or year 1) who are unable to attend next week.

We would like to say a great big thank you for Miss Ogden for all her hard work in helping the school to achieve the Platinum sports award. Only 2 schools in Cheshire have achieved the award and we are thrilled to have been recognised.



We have been overwhelmed by the offers of help we have received. The teachers work incredibly hard but just don't have enough time to put all their plans in to place so they would happily take up your offers of support.

Please read the attachment to this email if you feel able to offer some time (it doesn't need to be during the school day)

We would really love some more Altar servers for school masses. We only have one pupil 'trained' to serve. If your child is in Year 3 or above and is interested, please let me know. Father says they do not have to have made their First Holy Communion.

Dates for your diary:

We continue to invite parents and carers to a Friday assembly in the school hall (9 - 9.30am). Children are encouraged to bring certificates from home, or to share news/achievements that they are proud of.

Denotes ordinary time Denotes advent New dates added

September 2019

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday |
|--------|---|-----------------------------------|---|---|----------|--------|
| 2 | 3 Welcome back! | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 9 | 10 Girls football Music and Dance club | 11 PFC start | 12 Tennis | 13 Pottery club Rugby club | 14 | 15 |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 reception reading workshop for parents 9 am Year 5/6 football team in a tournament (feel free to stay and support!) | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23 | 24 | 25 Down Syndrome Society assembly | Year 1 Reading workshop for parents 9am Thankful Thursday - all parents invited in to see their children's work 8.45 -9am | 27 Own clothes day donation for Christmas Fair - Chocolate | 28 | 29 |

October 2019

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday |
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| 30 September | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 7 | 8 Year 2 trip to Tatton Park (£17.20) | 9 | 10 Reading Parent workshop | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 14 Geography Week (details to follow) | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 Harvest Festival (Reception class) Food donations for Hampers Of Hope gratefully received | 19 | 20 |
| 21 Booking for parents evening open (see website) | PTA AGM 7pm School | 23 | 24 'Thankful Thursday' | 25 School closes for half term | 26 | 27 |

November 2019

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday |
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| | | | | 1 HALFTERM | 2 | 3 |
| 4 Bikeability Year 4 | 5 Bikeability Year 6 | 6 Bikeability Year 6 | 7 Year 4 trip to Chester | 8 PTA Halloween Disco | 9 | 10 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 Year 5 trip to Robinwood | 14 Year 5 Robinwood | 15 Year 5 Robinwood Own clothes donations for fair - bottles | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | Parents' Evening Booking closed | 23 Christmas Fair | 24 Mass of enrolment 10.30am (sacramental Programme) |
| 25 | 26 | 27 Parents' evening 3.30 -6.30pm | 28 Parents' evening 3.30 - 6pm | 29 | 30 | |

December 2019

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday |
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| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| Fundraising | 3 | 4 | 'Thankful | Reception | ' | 0 |
| for | | | Thursday' | trip to | | |
| Manchester Children | | | | Tatton Park | | |
| Children's Hospital | | | | | | |
| activities | | | | | | |
| week | | | | | | |
| 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| | Nativity | Nativity | | | | |
| | Performance | Performance | | | | |
| | 2pm | 2pm and | | | | |
| | | 6pm | | | | |
| 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| | Pantomime | Christingle | Class parties | School | | |
| | | Mass | | Closes | | |
| | | | 1-3 pm | | | |
| | | | disco | | | |
| | 6pm Carols | Christmas | | | | |
| | at church | Dinner Day | | | | |

More details will be given about the events nearer the time. If you have any questions, please ask your class teachers in the first instance.

Reception Parents reading group: Reception team will give information about how we teach reading in school and how you can support your child at home. 9am in the hall and will last about 15 minutes. Sunday 10.30am Mass — a group of volunteers run a children's liturgy. If your child would like to come along, they would be warmly welcomed. In addition, if you are able to help on a rota basis, please look at the school website for contact details. Kind Regards, Hannah McGuire