



Newsletter.....



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We hope you had a good half term break - the hectic countdown to the summer holidays is now underway! Over the holiday our new web site launched - please take a look. You will find more information on there over the coming weeks and a new phone app will be available shortly. It is planned that this is the way you will access your newsletters in future.

THANK YOU

To all our helpers - you are much appreciated!

To Mrs Alex Prince for all her continued hard work in making our garden look so healthy, productive and beautiful! We are hoping it will attract plenty of visitors during the Alton Open gardens event on Sunday.

To Mr Stringer (William's grandad) who is our swimming volunteer and Mrs Woods as reserve. We appreciate their support with swimming lessons this term.

WHOLE SCHOOL - REMEMBER PE KIT ON MONDAYS

CLASS 3 - REMEMBER SWIMMING KIT ON TUESDAYS

CLASS 1 - REMEMBER PE KIT ON THURSDAYS

CLASS 3 - REMEMBER VIOLINS ON FRIDAYS!

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Leavers and the whole school group photographs will be taken on Thursday, 7th June. Please can the children wear full school uniform.

GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION (GDPR)

No one can have missed all the publicity about GDPR that came into effect on 25 May! It will have huge implications for us in school as we're sure you can appreciate. As a starting point, please can you complete the consent form and privacy notice attached to this newsletter (one for each child) and return them to the school office as soon as possible. Your co-operation is much appreciated!

EXTRA CURRICULA

The after school football club led by Burton Albion Community Trust is now on hold until September as we have a few busy weeks ahead.

TOPICS

The topics for the second half of the Summer term are:

| | Main Topic | | RE |
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| Class 1 (Yrs N & R) | Jungle Animals | | Who is Jesus and why is he special? |
| | Main Topic | Science | RE |
| Class 2 (Yrs 1 & 2) | Famous Journeys | Materials | The Creation |
| Class 3 (Yrs 3 and 4) | The United Kingdom | Plants | What is it like to follow God? |

OPEN AFTERNOON

You are invited to join us in school on Wednesday, 27th June from 2.00pm onwards to look at art work, classroom displays and books. Refreshments will be available.

SUMMER PRODUCTION - Wednesday, 11 July

Rehearsals for the summer production are well underway! There will be 2 performances in the village hall at 2.00pm and 6.30pm. As last year, we plan to charge £2 per adult admission which will include entry into a raffle for a 'family night in' kit. This will go towards the cost of staging the production and hire of the village hall. Refreshments will be available following the evening performance for a small donation to cover costs.

SPORTS FIXTURES

Sports Day - well done to all the children for their enthusiasm and excellent behaviour! It was great to see so many supporters and thank you to the School Association for refreshments. Congratulations to the blue team who were the winners overall!

Dove Valley ASC Swimming Gala - Well done to Imogen, Orla, Kiki, Matilda and Jacob in Years 3 and 4 who took part on 19th May and represented our school. You were all fantastic! Thank you to Mrs Stirley for helping Mrs Bennett on the night and to the parents for bringing and staying with the children on such a hot night.

Multi Sports Days - the children in Classes 2 and 3 will visit St Augustine's CE Academy, Draycott in the Clay for a variety of team games and sports as follows:

Class 2 - Tuesday, 12 June

Class 3 - Thursday, 14th June

World Cup and Multi Sports Day - the whole school will take part in a World Cup Day with various other team games and sports organised by Progressive Sports on Thursday, 12 July. PE kit should be worn to school for the day please.

Premier Sports Fitness Testing and enrichment - the whole school will take part in these activities on Wednesday, 18th July. You may recall that Premier Sports launched 'The Golden Mile' and have been fitness testing the children each term. This is the final test this year and we await the impact on fitness of all the activities that the children have enjoyed this academic year!

PARENT PAY

Parent Pay is launched (but I'm still learning so thank you for your patience)!!!! Account details were sent home with each child before half term. Thank you to all who have registered their account and have started to make payments. Please make sure you have registered your account as soon as possible. You will now be able to pay for school meals, visits, Busy Bodies and Nursery on line.

SCHOOL MEALS

The cost of school meals is £2.26 per day, £11.30 per week. This applies to children in Nursery and Years 3 and 4. Payment for meals must now be made through ParentPay please. If you currently pay for meals half termly in advance, then a letter has been sent to you with the amount due this half term.

If you feel you may be eligible to claim free meals for your child, please speak to Mrs Pemberton or you can apply on line or download an application form from the Staffordshire County Council web site:

www.staffordshire.gov.uk/education/educationalawardsbenefits/FreeSchoolMeals.

PACKED LUNCHES/SNACKS

Please can we remind you that we encourage healthy packed lunches, drinks and snacks. We don't allow sweets at break or at lunchtime. The children in Classes 1 and 2 are offered a free piece of fruit each morning and any surplus is available to Class 3. The under 5's also receive free milk. Milk can be ordered for children over 5 by registering with Cool Milk at www.coolmilk.com. Each child has their own water bottle.

The children may bring a piece of fruit or vegetable sticks from home for break time. Please bear in mind this should be something small and light as lunch is served at 12 which is only just over an hour after break time.

WHITEMOOR LAKES - YEAR 4

A meeting for parents will be held on **Monday, 2 July at 2.45pm**. A kit list and medical form will be issued at the meeting.

TRANSITION EVENTS

Year 4 Transition Days - these take place on **Wednesday, 4th July and Thursday, 5th July**. A letter will be sent from Ryecroft nearer the time.

Whole school - on **Wednesday, 4th July** all the children will spend time in their new classes.

Nursery and Reception Induction session - children who are due to start in Reception or Nursery in September and who are not already in school, will be invited to join us for the morning.

FAITH MORNING - Tuesday, 17th July

The children will work in mixed age groups to complete a range of interactive activities based on our core values of Love, Respect and Friendship.

LOST PROPERTY


Lost property continues to be a problem! Please, please ensure all items of clothing are named. At the end of each day there are numerous items left behind that if they were clearly named they could be promptly returned to their owner. Please also check at home for items belonging to other children that have been taken home by mistake eg while getting changed to/from PE. Thank you for your help!

'BUSY BODIES' OUT OF HOURS CLUB

Unfortunately, Beki will be leaving us on 26 June. We are sorry to lose her and wish her well. We thank her for all her hard work during her time here. The children and staff will miss her!

Please may we remind you to complete the separate diary with your requirements, in advance where possible.

The charges are as follows:

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|  | Mornings | 7.50am to 8.50am £4.00 (to include light snack and drink) |
| | Afternoons | 3.15pm to 4.30pm £5.00 (to include a light snack and drinks) 3.15pm to 6.00pm £8.50 (to include a light snack and drinks) |

Please note: we can accept childcare vouchers towards payment of fees - please see Beki for more information.

PARKING OUTSIDE SCHOOL

Parking is always a problem outside the school. As a reminder - it is not recommended to park on or opposite the yellow lines outside the school gates as this restricts visibility for drivers passing the school gates and narrows the road at this point. **It is also helpful if access to the parking spaces in front of school is always available as this reduces the number of staff/visitor cars parked on the road.** The safety of the children is paramount for all of us and your help and co-operation is much appreciated. Please mention this to anyone who will be dropping off or collecting your child on your behalf.

PERSONAL HEALTH AND HYGIENE

- As you already know, this is the time of year that head lice are usually prevalent. We have had cases reported to us and we would appreciate you checking your children regularly and treating the **whole family** as required. Free combs are available from the office. Please remember to tie back long hair - it helps towards controlling outbreaks.
- In line with NHS Norovirus guidelines, if your child has been sick or had diarrhoea after school or during the night, please keep them at home for at least 2 days following the last bout.

SCHOOL ASSOCIATION

The Governors, staff and children appreciate the tremendous support given by the School Association. **ALL PARENTS ARE VERY WELCOME TO ATTEND THE MEETINGS!** The next one will be held in school on **Monday, 18th June at 7.00pm**. In the meantime, please keep an eye on the PTA section of the noticeboard.

School Association Events planned so far:

Father's Day Stall - Friday, 15th June

Summer Fayre - Friday, 6th July

50 Club draw

The winners of the 50 club draw at the end of half term were:

£15 K Pickup

£15 M Kelsall

REMINDERS

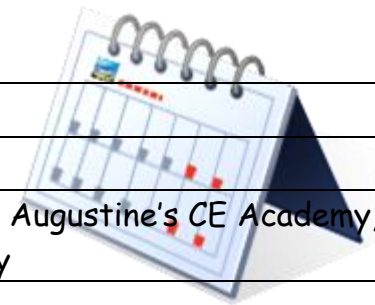
- If your child is to be absent through illness, please contact the office by 9.30am on the first morning.
- Please ensure all children bring a coat to school each day.
- Please remember to bring a school bag each day containing any reading and exercise books, equipment and homework.
- Bikes and scooters should be parked carefully in the rack provided and **not ridden in the playground**.
- Please can we politely remind you, that if you walk your dog to school, please stand away from the gates as there are a few children in school who are afraid of them.
- Emergency School Closure - a text message will be sent to each nominated parent and notified on the Staffordshire County Council school closure list:

www.staffordshire.gov.uk/education/schoolsandcolleges/emergencyclosures/schoolclosurelist

PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS

We are often asked to distribute various promotional materials and wish to remind you that these do not necessarily reflect the views and opinions of the governors and/or staff.

DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR/DIARY



| Date | Applies to | Event/Activity |
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| June | | |
| Wednesday, 6 th | Class 2 | Columbus Day at St Augustine's CE Academy, Draycott in the Clay |
| Wednesday, 6 th | All | Library van |
| Thursday, 7 th | All | Whole school and leavers photos (am) |
| Sunday, 10 th | All | Alton Open Gardens |
| Tuesday, 12 th | Class 2 | Multi Skills Day at St Augustine's CE Academy, Draycott in the Clay |
| Wednesday, 13 th | All | Bags2school collection (am) |
| Thursday, 14 th | Class 3 | Multi Skills Day at St Augustine's CE Academy, Draycott in the Clay |
| Friday, 15 th | Reception | Visit to Twycross Zoo |
| Friday, 15 th | All | School Association Father's Day Stall in school |
| Monday, 18 th | All | School Association meeting in school at 7.00pm |
| Friday, 22 nd | Class 3 | K2M concert - ticket order deadline |
| Saturday, 23 rd & Sunday, 24 th | All | Alton Festival |
| Wednesday, 27 th | All | Open afternoon 2pm onwards |
| Wednesday, 27 th | All | Library van |
| July | | |
| Monday, 2 nd | Year 4 | Whitemoor Lakes parent meeting in school at 2.45pm |
| Tuesday, 3 rd | Years 3 and 4 | Violin Concert at Uttoxeter Racecourse at 10.30am |
| Wednesday, 4 th | All & new starters | All change day and induction session for new starters |
| Wednesday, 4 th & Thursday, 5 th | Year 4 | Year 4 transition days to Ryecroft |
| Friday, 6 th | All | School Association Summer Fayre |
| Wednesday, 11 th | All | Summer Production in the village hall 2pm and 6.30pm |
| Thursday, 12 th | All | World Cup and Multi Sports Day |
| Friday, 13 th to Sunday, 15 th | Year 4 | Visit to Whitemoor Lakes |
| Tuesday, 17 th | All | Faith morning |
| Wednesday, 18 th | All | Fitness testing and enrichment activities with Premier Sport |
| Thursday, 19 th | All | End of Year Service, St Peter's Church 9.15am |
| Friday, 20 th | All | End of term! |