

"Small steps to big dreams"

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after the summer break and a very warm welcome to all our new families who have joined us.

All the children, old and new, have settled happily into school life and I have to say that the children managed exceptionally well last week in the extreme heat.

I have included a list of key dates for you. If you know of any prospective parents looking for a school place next year then please do highlight our open mornings and afternoons to them. We'd be delighted to see them and show them our wonderful school.

It seems strange to be mentioning Christmas this early, but I have included the dates and times of the children's nativity celebrations. We are also grateful to the PTA (through your kind donations and support) for funding a pantomime for the children here in school at the end of term.

This year we are making an adjustment to when we send reports out to parents. We will begin as usual in the Autumn Term with a face to face parents' evening. Then in the second half of the Spring Term you will receive your child's written report. This will give you a clear understanding of where your child is, their attitude to learning and the targets that will be worked on during the rest of the academic year. You will then have a face to face parent meeting towards the end of the summer term when progress towards the targets and more can be celebrated, giving you a clear picture of your child's year. As always, the teachers are available if you have any concerns between these times.

We will be supporting our usual Hamper Scamper Appeal at Harvest Festival time this year. This is run by a local charity CCP (Caring for Communities and People in Gloucestershire). Food Hampers are made available for those who may require them within our community. If you would like to support it please bring any tinned goods, packaged non-perishable food or toiletries to the foyer. Thank you.

Newsletter

15.09.23

Key Dates
28th September
School Photographer

12th **October** Harvest Experience

16th OctoberParents Evening Week

26th & 27th October Inset Days W/C 30th October Half Term

14th November Flu Immunisations

21st November Road Safety Week

4th **December** EYFS Nativity

5th & 6th December KS1 Nativity

7th **December** KS2 Carol Service

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The children will be visiting St. James' Church to celebrate Harvest, with a special event 'Experience Harvest' run by Reverend Mark. We will be asking for volunteers to help us walk to the church and back, so please look out for a message from your class teacher with further details. Thank you and thank you to Reverend Mark and his team for making the event possible.

Finally thank you for adjusting your times at pick up and drop off. Please remember, especially at the end of the day, only to drive onto site at your allotted time and not before, so that we can safely see every child to their parent or carer. Thank you.

Have a lovely weekend,

With warmest wishes,

Kate

Mrs K Moss Headteacher

Key Dates Autumn Term 2023-24

18th September - EYFS in full time

28th September - School Photographer

9th October - Open Morning Prospective Parents 10.30am

12th October - Children's 'Experience Harvest'

16th October - Parents Evening Week (Time slots to be sent out via

SchoolPing)

26th October - Inset

27th October - Inset

(30th October – 3rd November - Half term)

7th November - Open Afternoon Prospective Parents 2.00pm

14th November - Flu Immunisations

20th November - Road Safety Week

21st November - Open Morning Prospective Parents 10.30am

1st December - Open Morning Prospective Parents 10.30am

4th December - 9.20am EYFS Nativity

5th and 6th December - 9.20am KS1 Nativity

7th December - 6.00pm KS2 Carol Service

22nd December - Last day of term (Finish 1 hour earlier)

Our School Vision

We aim to provide educational excellence inspired by the world around us. To grow curious, responsible and confident learners within a caring community, in partnership with our families, upholding our Christian values.

Our School Values

Joy

Community

Compassion

Courage

Respect

Responsibility

