



We are an inspiring learning community with high expectations, where all feel safe and happy and everybody has the opportunity to unlock and realise their potential

19.09.18	EAL Coffee Morning
20.09.18	Year 4 trip to the British Museum
28.09.18	9am Macmillan Coffee Morning
Last day of half term	Friday 19 th October
Half Term	Monday 22 nd October to Friday 26 th October (5 days)
First day of term	Monday 29 th October
INSET (3)	Monday 26 th November (NO SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN)
Last day of term	Friday 21 st December
Christmas break	Monday 24 th December to Friday 4 th January (10 days)

After School Clubs

Clubs will start the week beginning 24th September except for Mad Science which starts on Thursday 20th September and will run for 6 weeks.

Message from the Headteacher

This week we have been delighted to welcome our Reception children into school. They have made a fantastic start to school life, picking up routines like naturals, making friends that they will remember in years to come and throwing themselves whole-heartedly into the learning experience. I am really looking forward to meeting the Nursery children on Monday when they join us for the first time.

I am sure many of you will have noticed that the library has moved so that the children can access it from the playground during break and lunch. Thank you to Mr Harpley in particular for all his hard work in setting this up – it will help us to maintain our ongoing focus on reading. As part of this work, we have relaunched our Reading Challenge this week – do have a look on the website for the Reading Challenge Booklist for your child's year group. Children in Years 4, 5 and 6 have also been encouraged to apply for a Library Leader role, a really practical opportunity to take on some responsibility.

A quick reminder that the back playground is closed to parents and families at 3.45pm. This is to enable the children attending our after school club (Aktiva) to have access to outdoor space. If you do want to "stay and play" after school, please move round to the front playground which is available until 4.30pm. All children must be supervised by an adult.

I would like to take the opportunity to welcome new members of staff who have joined us this term. Mrs De Jesus has joined us as Early Years Leader, working across Nursery and Reception. She has a wealth of experience in establishing outstanding Early Years provision. Mr Barker relocated from Yorkshire during the summer holidays and joins us as a Year 6 teacher. He is also taking on responsibility for Science across the school.

Some important dates for your diaries:

- There is a coffee morning for new parents and EAL joiners on Wednesday morning;
- Meet the teacher meetings will take place in the week commencing 24th September.

Have a fantastic weekend.

Miss Stockley



EAL COFFEE MORNING



You are invited to our Autumn Term Coffee Morning. This will take place on Wednesday 19th September from 9.00am in the Art Room.

All parents and guardians of children who speak an additional language are very welcome to come along. Our coffee mornings are well-attended, they provide a great opportunity to meet with other parents and give you a chance to meet with teachers in school who regularly support your child to learn English.

Tea, coffee and biscuits will be served. Babies and pre-schoolers are welcome.

Ms. Honeghan-Bates Ms Rees EAL Teachers.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Our school is going to hold a Coffee Morning on Friday 28 September to help raise money for people who are living with an illness called cancer.

We'll be holding the event in support of a charity called **Macmillan Cancer Support** – they help people who are living with cancer in all kinds of ways.

Money raised will help Macmillan to fund nurses, to help provide cancer information, help provide the Macmillan Support line and answer phone calls and help cancer sufferers with financial support, grants and advice.

Please come and join us once you have dropped your children off in class.

Donations of cakes would be appreciated for this event and they can be brought into school from Thursday 27th September - please ensure that they are nut free though.

Non Uniform Day on Friday 28 September

Pay a pound and wear your own clothes. All money raised will be given to Macmillan Cancer Care.

Volunteers Needed!

We are looking for any parents/carers who are interested in becoming a volunteer at the school. You may only be able to volunteer for one hour a week or perhaps a couple of afternoons - however little or however much could really make a difference. It may be that you become a Reading Volunteer, support a group with a creative project or help out in another way. Hopefully, we can match your skills and interests to the needs of the school.

If you are interested in volunteering, please ask the office for a Volunteers Pack and complete the application form.