

Reminders: Please log on to ParentPay and pay any outstanding debts

13th July 2018

Letters: School Reports

What's on next week				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Shining Stars Assemblies 9am KS2 10am KS1 Year 5 Tudor Assembly 2.30pm	EYFS Sale 3pm	Year 6 Police Cadet Graduation 2.30pm Meet the next class teacher 5-6pm		Year 6 Leavers Assembly Last Day of Term

Message from Mrs Grainger

It has been a very busy week. Each phase in the school held their sports day. Sports days are as much about joining in and having fun as it is about competitiveness and winning, and each day demonstrated this. Well done to all the children who took part and a thank you to the parents who volunteered for the Parents Race.

Monday saw our Year 6 Leavers Prom. The children enjoyed a fantastic night sharing and making memories with their peers before they move on to the next stage of their learning. Thank you to the Year 6 parents that decorated and helped clear up the room. It was a lovely way to celebrate the end of primary school.

Also this week we took place in the Lichfield Schools Swimming Gala. A huge well done to the children that took part and represented our school.

Your child's report is coming home today. This is an important document that needs to be opened and read carefully at the correct time and in the correct place. Reports should not be opened outside school; they should be opened at home. Please do share the contents of your child's report with your child. We would appreciate the return of the feedback form.

Gemma Grainger

Headteacher

Message from the Governing Body

Dear Parents and Carers

As we reach the end of the school year, it has been wonderful to reflect on how far the Governing Body has progressed since September. Thank you to all the Governors for giving so much of their time to get to know the school and work on its improvement priorities. We shall be meeting next week to look back over this year and start to plan our areas of focus for the next academic year.

It has been wonderful to hear about the positive transition meetings and class visits for the children. Also, we are celebrating another year of excellent SATs results above national figures. Good luck to our Year 6 children as they leave us for High School.

Also, thank you to all staff and volunteers for all they have done for our children this year.

Thank you too to Mrs Grainger for a very positive first year as our Headteacher.

Finally, thank you to you for your support for the school.

The Governors wish everyone a wonderful summer break.

Best wishes Iona Chisholm Chair of Governors

Year Group Updates

Nursery & Reception

This week Early Years have been continuing to read the story 'The Enormous Turnip'. The children have had lots of fun retelling the story using the story map that we created as a class. The children have been completing exciting activities during free choice time such as, writing about their time in Reception, counting, solving addition and subtraction number sentences, making music with the musical instruments, making turnips out of playdough, making bubbles in the water tray and painting pictures of themselves in the creative area.

Year 1 & 2

The children were fantastic at our sports day this week and they all tried their very best. A big well done to them all.

REMINDER

Please could you send a **carrier bag** in with your child for **next Thursday** as the children will be taking home all of their completed books.

Reading books are also being collected in, ready for September, so please could you make sure school reading books are handed back to school. Thank you.

Year 3 & 4

Year 3/4 have loved this week with a great start at Monday's Sports Day. Well done to all for trying their best.

We have also loved having some practical maths problems where we have been able to use a whole range of maths skills learned this year.

In our theme work we have created some lovely leaflets which tell people all about America and some of the key cities.

Year 5

The children really enjoyed the freestyle football workshop with Jamie Knight last Friday. They all learned some new tricks.

This week they performed in a Tudor themed assembly for Key Stage 2 where they showcased some of the things they have learned during this theme. They also watched a flute demonstration by some pupils who attend The Friary. They all sat and listened well and enjoyed the music.

The children also enjoyed the Tudor themed walk around Lichfield on Thursday.

Year 6

Well, it has been another busy week this week! Year 6 really impressed us on Monday during Sports Day when many of them displayed great organisational skills and acted as role models to children in Years 3-5 whilst waiting for their events. Monday evening was the Year 6 Prom, a great time was had by all and it illustrated how secondary school ready our pupils are. SATs results arrived in school this week and have been shared with parents and carers promptly, we are very proud of everyone's achievements.

Tuesday saw the beginning of preparation for our Year 6 Leavers Service which we are sure everyone will enjoy. On Thursday four more Friary teachers visited us to teach English and maths lessons, enabling both pupils and staff to get to know each other a little better.

All pupils books will be brought home next Thursday. Please send your child to school with a carrier bag next week to keep in their locker ready for that day.

A quick note about our final day next week. Our Leavers Service will be on Friday 20th July, 9.30am and parents are invited to attend. Full school uniform must be worn. Following the service, Y6 pupils will be given the opportunity to say their goodbyes across the school. They have permission to bring a plain white shirt and pens into school which we are happy for them to get signed by their peers appropriately. This must be a spare shirt and must not be the one they are wearing.

EYFS SALE

Early Years are having a sale on Tuesday 17th July outside the main corridor from 3.00pm. We will be selling toys, puzzles, cd's, dressing up outfits and much more. The purpose of the sale is to raise money to buy new beanbags and mats for the Early Years classrooms. Items will cost between 10p-£1 so come and have a look to see if there is anything that catches your eye for your child.

2018/2019 Term Dates

Autumn Term 2018

Inset Day: Monday 3 September

Term starts: Tuesday 4 September

Holiday: Thursday 25 October - Friday 2 November

Term ends: Friday 21 December

Holiday: Monday 24 December - Friday 4 January

Spring Term 2019

Term starts: Monday 7 January

Half term: Monday 18 February - Friday 22 February

Term ends: Friday 12 April

Holiday: Monday 15 April - Friday 26 April

Summer Term 2019

Term starts: Monday 29 April

May Day: Monday 6 May

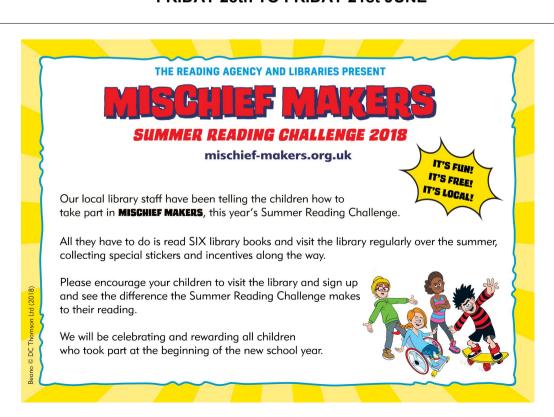
Half term: Monday 27 May - Friday 31 May

********Inset Day: Friday 21 June********

Term ends: Friday 19 July

Holiday: Monday 22 July - Friday 30 August

PLEASE NOTE THE INSET DATE IN JUNE HAS CHANGED FROM FRIDAY 28th TO FRIDAY 21st JUNE





Staffordshire County Council would like to know parent views on how funded places is helping families in Staffordshire. We are interested in the views of parents currently accessing a funded place for 2, 3 or 4 year olds, who previously accessed any childcare funding or will access a funded place in the coming months.

We want to make sure there is childcare available when parents need it and in the right areas. We are also interested in how easy families have found it to access and any barriers/ difficulties (i.e. application processes, HMRC).

Our survey can be found in the links below and runs until 31st August: www.staffordshire.gov.uk/eefsurvey or via our Facebook page: www.staffordshire.gov.uk/eefsurvey or via our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/StaffordshireFIS



Open Evening for current Year 5 children

Thursday 27th September—more information to follow in the new academic year.



Some Year 5 and 6 children went to a swimming gala at the Friary Leisure Centre on Thursday 12th July. We did really well with the boys coming first and the girls third. We completed against 14 schools. 6 were large schools (which was our category) and the rest were small schools.

We hope we will do as well as this year next time!

By Caitlin and Harriet.

The swimming teams were:

Akito, Hector, Joseph, Toby and Finbar.

Caitlin, Harriet, Poppy, Molly and Elle.