



Thursday 9th March 2017

Term Dates 2016-2017

5 Sep- 21 Oct
31 Oct - 20 Dec
3 Jan - 10 Feb
20 Feb - 7 Apr
24 Apr - 26 May
5 Jun - 21 Jul

INSET DAYS

5.9.16
21.10.16
3.1.17
20.2.17
5.6.17

Public Holiday

May Day - Monday 1st May

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Newsletter

"We care about each other"

Mothering Sunday

Once again this year, Sue Bamping is organising a service for Mothering Sunday. Please see the attached letter from Sue.

Gardening day (no children- thanks)

Following the success of last year's gardening day, we will be repeating the event. A number of parents from the PFA have kindly agreed to help us to reduce weeds and improve our grounds; especially the garden area at the back of the school. We want to improve the area for the gardening club to use as well as an area for Infants to develop a 'mud kitchen' and play space.

If you are available between 1pm and 4pm on Saturday 6th May we would be grateful of extra pairs of hands. Please come armed with spades, forks, garden gloves, wheel barrows etc. Tea, coffee and cakes will be served throughout the afternoon. (But no children on site during the afternoon - thanks)

Easter Gardens

Every year we take an Easter garden to church at the end of the spring term. Last year we made a whole school garden. This year we are asking children to make an Easter garden at home. These gardens should be shoe box size (approximate) and could contain plants or flowers or could be a craft or art creation. We will be judging the gardens on Wednesday 5th April and the winning garden will be taken to church on Friday 7th April.

Red Nose Day

Friday 24th March is Red Nose Day. This year we are inviting children to 'wear something funny for money'. Donation for the charity will be collected on the Friday morning.

On-line safety

The next on-line safety magazine for parents is now available on the school website. I would encourage parents to take a look at this. A paper copy is also available on the noticeboard in the school corridor.

We have also been made aware of a game - 'pixel run 3D'. This game looks like minecraft but has an adult theme and has been rated 18. We have been informed by Derbyshire County Council that some parents in Derbyshire have bought this game for children, believing that it is safe.

School Hall

We would like to say a big thank you to parents and children for their help managing without the school hall. The Diocese sent a surveyor who has informed us that the hall is structurally sound, however he has recommended that the floor will need some repair work. We are currently working with Derbyshire County Council and Derby Diocese but the hall will be out of action for some time. We will therefore be unable to continue our Friday family worship for the near future. We are also unable to continue community lunches at present. We thank you for your continued support.

Diary Dates

15.3.17 - PFA meeting

4.4.17 - Infant trip to Lower Hurst Farm

5.4.17 and 6.4.17 - Parents' evenings

7.4.17 - Easter service and Easter Egg hunt

8.4.17 - Easter Egg Hunt -PFA event

Summer Term

Throughout May - Year 2 SATs tests

Week beginning 8.5.17- Year 6 SATs week

Week beginning 12.6.17 - Year 1 phonics screen check