



St Aidan's Church in Wales School

Welcome Back Newsletter 2018



Distinctiveness as a Church School

Last term a church service was held to celebrate our Year 6 Leavers. The children spoke about their journey of life and said prayers thanking God for supporting them. Father Roger also talked about their life so far and their future. The celebration was continued in school with further speeches from the children – including any confessions they felt they needed to reveal before they left! It was a wonderful afternoon full of laughter and tears. The day before the children had celebrated with a tea party in school and then gone bowling in Carmarthen. We hope that all pupils will settle and be happy in their new schools and always remember us.

School Organisation

Mrs James has officially taken over as Head Teacher of the school on 1st September and all the staff are keen to work with her to continue to improve all areas of school life.

The classes this year will be as follows:

Foundation Phase

(Nursery & Reception)

Miss K Roberts (HLTA) with support from Mrs S Canton-Jones

(Years 1 & 2)

Mrs S James & Miss R Preece with support from Mrs S Devonald

Class 3 (Years 3 & 4)

Mrs S Thorne with support from Mrs R Trick-Walker

Class 4 (Years 5 & 6)

Mrs W MacGarvie with support from Mrs S Freckleton

Mrs S Devonald has also taken over the role of ALNCo this year.

We welcome parents at any time, so please do not hesitate to telephone Mrs Arnold so that she can arrange an appointment for you.

We would like to welcome Mr Billy Phillips as our new cleaner.

Dinner Money

Dinner Money this term is £2.35 (infants) and £2.45 (juniors).

If you would like to apply for free school meals, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Arnold who will be able to provide you with the details.



Class Dojo

If your child has moved class or you are new to the school, a new login will be provided for the Class Dojo. Your child's photo may appear on the class dojo – please inform the school if you do not wish this to take place.

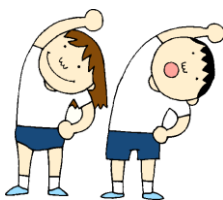


PE/Swimming

PE days are as follows:

Classes 1 & 2 – **Monday**

Classes 3 & 4 – **Tuesday**



All pupils will require a change of clothes – t-shirt and short/joggers, as well as trainers.

Both classes 3 & 4 will be swimming every **Friday**. A swimming hat is required, but no Bermuda shorts or bikinis. Commencing on Friday 15th September.

School Prospectus

The school prospectus has been updated over the holidays and Mrs Arnold will be emailing all parents a copy. We would urge you to read it in order that everyone is fully aware of the protocols in school. It will also be available on the website (www.st-aidans.pembrokeshire.sch.uk)

Communication

A reminder that we are paperless and so all communication will be through email and Our Schools App where possible. Any emails for members of staff can be sent to Mrs Arnold at admin.staidans@pembrokeshire.gov.uk who will forward them on to the relevant person.



Busy Beehive

Busy Beehive has opened again this September. If you would like your child, or know of other children who would like to attend, please contact Mrs Arnold on the school telephone number.

Parent and Toddler group will commence on Wednesday 12th September.

Dates for the term

Week of 17th September – Scholastic book fair

21st September – Jeans for Genes Day

21st September – Peace Day trip – Years 2-6

26th September – Harvest 1pm in St Mary Magdalene Church, Wiston, followed by teas and coffees at school in aid of McMillan Cancer

26th September – A meeting for parents and governors on the proposed new curriculum in Wales at 5.30 pm. Natalie Moir our ERW Leader of Learning will present.

1st October – Psalms and Science trip – Class 3 and 4.

Week of the 15th October – a focus on IT and digital competency. If any parents are willing to visit school to talk to pupils on how they use IT in their place of work, please contact Mrs Arnold.

19th October – Wear Red Day – to support Show Racism the Red Card

25th October – An open afternoon for all classes, 1 – 3pm. Parents are welcome to visit school to see the activities and work undertaken by the pupils.

26th October – Break up for half term

6th November – Crucial Crew for year 6

7th November – Bluestone School portraits

12th November – Class 4 visit to Carew

28th November – Busy Beehive Christmas Fayre at school from 5.30 – 8.00 pm

4th December – Torch Theatre

6th December – St Nicholas day trip – Years 2-6

10th December – Foundation Phase Christmas Production at 10.00 am

12th December – Juniors Christmas Production at 10.00 am and 6 pm

13th December – Christmas dinner – (Please note Wednesday and Thursday menu will swop to accommodate)

19th December – Carol Concert at St Mary Magdalene Church, Wiston at 1 pm

21st December - Break up for Christmas

We will inform you of other events throughout the term.