



Friday 26th October 2018

Friday News

Dear Parents,

We've come to the end of our first half term and we have lots to be thankful for. Our new Nursery children have settled in beautifully and it has been great to see them exploring their new environment with such enthusiasm. We've also welcomed many new children to St Stephen's this half term - they've settled in really well and they are very welcome.

Children across the school have been working so hard this half term and we are all extremely proud of their achievements and efforts. I'm sure this will continue into the next term.

Donations - thank you to all those who have donated to the Cornerstones Appeal so far. We have two tables full in the school hall. Future donations are as follows:

- w/c 5th November – Toilet Rolls
- w/c 12th November – Sugar
- w/c 19th November – Tuna/Corned beef etc

Parking - Can we please urge you to take more care and have consideration to the local community when dropping off and picking up your children; traffic wardens have been out to monitor the situation. We've had another near miss this week - someone is going to get seriously hurt if we don't take more care. Thank you.

PE Kits - Please ensure PE kits are in school each day. PE often takes place outside so as the winter months approach we advise a jumper and tracksuit bottoms are packed inside PE bags as well as shorts and T-shirt. Please remember PE tops are meant to be a plain white T-shirt or a white T-shirt with the school logo on!

Parent's Evening - We hope you found the Parent's Evening meeting useful and are well informed as to how your child has settled into their new year group and how they can meet their targets. You will also have received a copy of your child's attendance certificate. Our whole school target is 96%.

Remembrance - After half term we will be thinking about those who have passed away and offer our prayers to them. We will have a special box in the main office area where you can put any names that you would like us to pray for. Our Chaplains will also be selling Poppies. We will send out further information after half term.

Book Bus – On 6th and 7th November 2018, the 'Book Bus' will be in school selling a range of children's books.

It will be onsite from 8:30am – 4:30pm (approx.) both days. During the school day, children will be able to visit the bus with their classes and purchase books. In the time before and after school times, parents can also visit the bus.

Payments can be made either in cash or by cards. Please try to have the correct money if paying in cash.

Dates for Autumn 2

8th Nov Whole School Mass at 10am

12th Nov Jack and the Beanstalk Pantomime Performances in School

30th Nov Y5 Jodrell Bank School Trip

11th Dec Nursery Play @10:30am

12th Dec Year 1 Carols School Hall @2:30pm

13th Dec Reception Carol Concerts @9:30am

14th Dec Y2 Play @9:30am

14th Dec Christmas Jumper Day

18th Dec KS2 Carol Service @2pm

19th Dec Party Day

20th Dec Whole school mass @10am

21st Dec Christmas Holiday @ 1:30pm

Please keep an eye on the calendar on the school website where you will find an up to date events list - you can even download it to your smart phone!

Have a great half term break! We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 5th November 2018.

St Stephen's RC Primary School.

Thought of the day:

'A champion is defined not by their wins but by how they can recover when they fall.'