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Newsletter No. 02

It has been a busy two weeks in school since our last newsletter. We have enjoyed our topic week in which the children focussed on various periods of history, completing some wonderful work. Some of our children have also enjoyed amazing reward trips to celebrate their wonderful attendance last year. Our younger children enjoyed meeting lots of different animals at the West Midlands Safari Park while our older children will be going to Harry Potter World today. There is a clear link between excellent attendance and children making excellent progress - it is vital that your child is in school every day. We are also very busy preparing for a special visit from Archbishop Bernard Longley on Wednesday 3rd October to bless our Prayer Garden. Mass will be celebrated together at 10:30 in the church, all of our school family are invited and we would love to see parents joining us for this wonderful occasion.

Uniform

A reminder that children should be in their **Autumn** uniform.

Attendance

It is vitally important that your child is in school and on time everyday. As a school we constantly aim for 100% attendance to make sure your child is getting the very best from their education.

Children that are not in school are a concern and we will visit to ensure their wellbeing.

Parents' Evening

A reminder that our parents' evening will be on **Thursday 4**th **October**.

If you haven't already booked an appointment, you need to visit

https://www.schoolinterviews.co.uk/code then enter code v43s5.

Please note, parents will not be able to wait in the hall for appointments after collecting children at 3:00 pm

After School Clubs

It has be great to see so many children attend after school clubs. A reminder that it is very important that we have consent forms signed by parents. We only have a set amount of spaces in each club - only children who we have registered will be able to attend clubs from now on.

If you are unsure then please check with Mrs Lloyd.

Please note, we will be moving to online registration for clubs for next half term.

Staff Fundraising

Well done to all of our staff who completed the **Chololate 5k Obstacle Rush** to raise funds for St Mary's Hospice.

Donations accepted in the school office.

Thank you

Mass times

Holy Family Catholic Church Saturday 4.00 pm Sundays 10.30am & 5.15pm

God Bless

Mr Foley

Friday 21st September 2018

INSPIRE Dates

Year 6 - Wednesday 26th September Year 2 - Friday 28th September Year 5 - Wednesday 10th October Year 1 - Thursday 11th October Year 4 - Wednesday 17th October Year 3 - Friday 19th October Reception - w.b. Monday 22nd October

All sessions will run from 9:00am till 10:30am

It is important that you attend to support your child.

We will be focussing on the teaching of Reading in this term's INSPIRE sessions

ESOL Classes

We are delighted to be able ESOL classes to parents starting on Tuesday 2nd October.

Please speak to the office if you are interested in learning basic English or if you know anybody who would benefit from this excellent opportunity.

School Planners

All of the children should have come home with a home/school planner this week.

We have invested a lot of money to provide the children with these planners to help with their learning.

All children need to be reading every night and their planners need to be signed by an adult.

The children will also be working towards achieving their daily reward stars by:

- Being in school every day and on time
- Having the correct uniform
- Having their PE kit
- Reading every night
- Doing their best in everything they do
- Taking pride in everything they do

When children reach their bronze target they will receive a special bronze star and parents will be invited in to celebrate this.

Sport

Last week we had our first sporting fixture of the year as our Football Team travelled over to St. Cuthbert's to play a mini tournament. Our two teams played fantastically well and represented our school brilliantly. Well done to all of our children involved and thank you to Mr Craggs and Mrs King for taking and supporting the teams. It is vital that children have regular exercise and we strongly encourage parents to involve children in out of school sports.