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Dear Parents



### **Harvest Festival Week**

To celebrate Harvest Festival Week we ask that each child bring into school a non-perishable item of food. We will then distribute the items received to local food banks

for those less fortunate than ourselves.

Please send in all items between Monday 5<sup>th</sup> & Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October.

Thank you

### **Parents' Evening - Week commencing 12<sup>th</sup> October 2020**

Due to the current pandemic parents' evening will take place differently this year. Your child's class teacher will be available to speak to via telephone. Invitations have been sent to all parents by email/text inviting you to sign up for your telephone appointment. Each child will be allocated a 5 minute telephone appointment. Parents' evening for each class will take place between 4pm - 7pm (Nursery between 4pm - 6pm) on the following days:-





**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October – Nursery & Reception class**

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October – Year 3 & Year 4**

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October – Year 1 & Year 2**

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October – Year 5 & Year 6**

**When booking your appointment please ensure that you insert the best telephone number to contact you on in the comments section.**

If you have difficulty booking a slot, please contact the school office. Thank you

### **Secondary School Application Forms**

A reminder to year 6 parents that application forms for admission to secondary school next September must be completed by 31 October 2020. Applications can be made using the online application service, which is available at <https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Education/Admissions-secondary/Apply/Overview.aspx> and by following the links to 'making an application'



### **Flu Vaccination**

A reminder that the school nurse team will be in school on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October to administer the flu vaccination to all pupils from reception – year 6.

### **Y6 Shugborough trip**

The government have confirmed that overnight residential trips cannot take place before 2021. Therefore, the planned trip to Shugborough in December

for year 6 will not now take place. An insurance claim has been submitted under the school journey insurance policy in relation to the none refundable deposit paid. As soon as school receive the insurance monies all individual deposits will be returned to parents. For those parents who have paid more than the deposit the difference has been refunded via ParentPay.

### **Nursery - January 2021**

If your child turns 3 before 31 December 2020 they will be eligible to start in our nursery from January 2021. Applications can now be accepted. Please see the school website or contact the school office. Closing date 31 October 2020.

### **Own Clothes Day - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October**

Children are invited to wear their own clothes to school/nursery on this day.

Please send in a donation of £1.50 towards school funds if your child wears their own clothes - thank you



### **School Photographs**

Please note that due to the current restrictions in place due to COVID-19, photographs this year will be of individual pupils only. No family photographs will be taken as we are unable to mix class bubbles.

## Lunchboxes

We would like to remind parents that lunchboxes should contain items for a healthy and balanced diet.

We request that the following items **should not** be included in packed lunches or for snacks:

- **Sweets and chocolate**
- **Chocolate bars**
- **Crisps (unless baked or low fat)**
- **Sweet cakes or sugary doughnuts**
- **Any bars containing nuts**