



## Dalton St Mary's CE Primary School

Autumn Term

# Newsletter 7

18<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

The first half term is almost over already and it has been a really exciting half term. Each week there has been an exciting learning opportunity for all of our children with visitors from many places coming into school to share their knowledge and experiences to inspire our learning. Even as we come to the end of the half term we still have time to squeeze in a visit from the Premier League Trophy and have our annual Bake Off in school on Friday – I am really looking forward to judging the cakes the children have been busy baking this week.

### Premier League Trophy

A reminder that tomorrow we have the Premier League Trophy visiting our school.

We appreciate that all parents have signed image consent forms informing school about permissions to take and use their child's image, **however on this occasion we are asking parents who do not wish for their child's image to be taken on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2017 to please let the school know in writing prior to the day.** Some parents have enquired whether there will be the opportunity to have individual photographs taken with the trophy, I have spoken with the Team from the Premier League and they said that this is something we will have to negotiate on the day due to time restrictions. I do not want to promise that there will be the opportunity for every child to have their photograph taken and then have any children or parents disappointed. A further request from parents was for children to wear a football top, if your child wishes to bring their football top could they please come to school in their uniform and bring their football top in a bag, they will be able to change into their top before their class has their trophy session. We will be taking lots of pictures and we will endeavor to share as many of these as possible with parents.

### Important Dates

Parent Drop-in Week	3.00 to 3.30 Monday-Friday	Week Beginning 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2017
Parent Voice	5.45pm to 6.45	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October 2017

### After School Club

After School Club continues to be very popular; Mrs Millington and Mrs O'Reilly are doing a super job and really enjoy spending time with the children at the end of the school day. Following half term After School Club is going to relocate to the Nursery building. We ask when collecting your child that you please use the small gate, on Coronation Drive, into the main playground and collect children from the double Nursery doors. We think this will make things easier for parents and staff at the end of the session. Thank you.

### Pound Coins

The time has now come when we will not be accepting the older, round style pound coins for payment into school. We please ask that you check the coins included for payments to support the office staff with this. Thank you.

### Boxes of Hope

It is the time of year when we start to gather the Boxes of Hope to send to Romania. All boxes should be brought into school during the week following half term (30<sup>th</sup> October 2017 – 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2017). We have put out 2 examples of boxes in the entrance by the school office if you would like ideas for what to include. If you need a new leaflet Mrs Irving has some available in the school office. We look forward to receiving lots of boxes for this very worthwhile project.

## School Applications

A reminder for parents of our Year 6 children the closing date for applications to their preferred secondary school is 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017.

For any child wishing to join our Reception class in September 2018 the closing date for applications is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018. If you know of any other families who may be interested in a place in our Reception class in September 2018 could you please alert them to this date. Any parents who need support with this process please contact Mrs Irving in the school office who will be happy to help.

## Nursery Applications and Extended Hours

Applications for places in our Nursery are now being accepted for the next academic year; January 2018 and April 2018. Application forms are available from the school office and we are able to provide the **30 hour offer for those parents who qualify**. Parents who do not qualify for the 30 hour offer are still able to book and pay for their children to stay for the full day (£10.00 per extra session). If anyone would like any further information please ask Mrs Irving in the office or email her at h.irving@dsmprimary.com.

Mrs L Woodburn

*Dear God,*

*Please help the people in Ireland that are suffering effect of the disastrous hurricane and keep everyone safe.*

*Amen*

(Jake Griffiths Y6)

## Dates for Diaries

Premier League Cup in school

DSM Bake Off

**Finish for half term 3.30**

Parent Drop-in Week 3.00 to 3.30 Monday-Friday

Parent Voice 5.45pm to 6.45

YN and YR Stay and Play Phonics 9.15

Swimming Starts for Y4 (1.15), Y5 (1.45), Y6 (2.15)

Dalton Litfest

Parent Evening

School Speech Festival

National Road Safety Week

Christmas Fair 3.30 to 5.00

Nativity (In school) 10.00

Nativity (In school) 10.00 or 2.00 (TBC)

Christmas Parties YN/YR(AM)Y1/Y2(PM)

Y3/Y4 (AM)Y5/Y6(PM)

Finish for Christmas (Church 1.00 to 2.00pm)

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2017

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2017**

Week Beginning 30<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2017

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2017

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Week Beginning 20<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2017

## Extra-Curricular Activities

### Morning / Lunchtime Clubs

Club	Leader	Day	Time	Comments
Singing for Fun	Mrs Wright	Wednesday	12.30	Reception/Y1/Y2 (Y3 classroom)
Scrabble	Mrs Rowe	Tuesday	12.25	Y3Y4/Y5/Y6 (Library)
Phonics Club	Mrs Cain	Tuesday	12.30	YR/Y1/Y2 (Reception classroom)
Gardening	Mrs Croskery	Wednesday/Friday	12.30	Y4/Y5/Y6 Children
Craft Club	Mrs Rowe	Friday	12.25	Y6 (Library)

**After School Clubs**

<b>Club</b>	<b>Leader</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Multi Sports	Onside Sports	Monday	3.30 to 4.30	Reception and KS1
Gymnastics	Mrs Dixon/Miss cant/Mr Akred	Tuesday	3.30 to 4.30	KS2 (limited places)
Multi Sports	Onside Sports	Wednesday	3.30 to 4.30	KS2 (Booking forms from the Office)
Art Club	Mrs Ryder	Wednesday	3.30 to 4.15	Year 2 (in Nursery)
Guitar Club	James (Cumbria Music Service)	Wednesday	3.30 to 4.00	Booking through the school office
Performing Arts	Mrs Croskery	Thursday	3.30 to 4.30	KS2 Children (in Hall)
Yokids	Yokids (Leanne)	Friday		Y1 and Y2
Netball	Mrs Pearson	Friday	3.30 to 4.30	Y5 & Y6