



Dalton St Mary's CE Primary School

Autumn Term

Newsletter 3

20th September 2017

Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

Thank you to the parents who attended Parent Voice on Monday evening. It is so valuable for us as a school to work closely with parents and members of the community to gather your thoughts and ideas about our school and include you all in planning for the future. Next week is a busy week with a visiting author on Monday, Y3 at Low Sizergh Farm on Wednesday and the MacMillan Coffee morning on Friday. Alongside all this our school is leading a day for other local schools sharing our good practice with technology. With technology in mind we would like to congratulate Mrs Croskery who has been shortlisted as a finalist in the Cumbria Education Golden Apple Awards in the 'Use of Technology' category. Well done Mrs Croskery and good luck for 6th October when the winners are announced.

Reception and Nursery Parent meeting

On 26th September at 3.30pm in Nursery Mrs Ryder and Mrs Cain invite you to come and learn about 'Tapestry'. This is the new way we will record your children's learning experience in Nursery and Reception. As a parent you will be able to access this from home and be included in your child's early learning here at DSM. We do hope lots of you will be able to come along to the meeting.

PREVENT

Many of you will have heard through the news about the PREVENT Strategy introduced by the Government. From July 2015 all schools (as well as other organisations) have a duty to safeguard children from radicalisation and extremism. This means we have a responsibility to protect children from extremist and violent views the same way we protect them from drugs or gang violence. Importantly, we can provide a safe place for pupils to discuss these issues so they better understand how to protect themselves. I have sent home with this Newsletter a leaflet explaining how we implement PREVENT here at Dalton St Mary's.

Photographs

I hope you were pleased with the proof photographs your child brought home earlier this week. A reminder that any orders for photographs should be back in school by Friday 22nd September 2017. Any orders after this date will need to be made direct with Tempest and will incur an additional £4.00 charge.

School Applications

I know we have only just started back and we want to enjoy our Year 6 class for a whole year however I must remind parents that for our Year 6 children the closing date for applications to their preferred secondary school is 31st October 2017.

For any child wishing to join our Reception class in September 2018 the closing date for applications is 15th 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,

I am thankful that I have so many lovely friends and my lovely family. I pray for those who are not as lucky as me and ask that you be their friend.

Amen

(Anon)

Dates for Diaries

Eamon Riley (Author) in school		Monday 25 th September 2017
Reception and Nursery Parent meeting in Nursery		26 th September 3.30pm
Year 3 Educational Visit – Low Sizergh Farm		Wednesday 27 th September 2017
MacMillan Coffee Morning	10.00 to 11.00	Friday 29 th September 2017
Harvest Festival (in school)	10.00 (led by Y3)	Friday 6 th October 2017
Nursery and Reception Welly Walk	9.15	Wednesday 11 th October 2017
Premier League Cup in school		Thursday 19 th October 2017
DSM Bake Off		Friday 20 th October 2017
Finish for half term	3.30	Friday 20th October 2017
Parent Drop-in Week	3.00 to 3.30 Monday-Friday	Week Beginning 30 th October 2017
Parent Voice	5.45pm to 6.45	Monday 30 th October 2017
YN and YR Stay and Play Phonics	9.15	Wednesday 1 st November 2017
Dalton Litfest		Friday 4 th November 2017
Parent Evening		Monday 6 th November 2017
School Speech Festival		Friday 10 th November 2017
National Road Safety Week		Week Beginning 20 th November 2017
Christmas Fair	3.30 to 5.00	Wednesday 29 th November 2017
Nativity (In school)	10.00	Tuesday 12 th December 2017
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Christmas Parties	YN/YR(AM)Y1/Y2(PM) Y3/Y4 (AM)Y5/Y6(PM)	Thursday 14 th December 2017
Finish for Christmas (Church)	1.00 to 2.00pm	Friday 15 th December 2017
		Tuesday 19 th December 2017

Extra-Curricular Activities (Week beginning: 11/09/17)

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

Club	Leader	Day	Time	Comments
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