



Dalton St Mary's CE Primary School

Summer Term

Newsletter 38

18th July 2018

Dear Parents/Carers and Children,

Another wonderful year at Dalton St Mary's; I feel our school goes from strength to strength with our amazing children, each and every dedicated member of staff and our wonderful community. I would like to sincerely thank you all for your tremendous, continued support. I know I say it every year but I really do have the best job in the world! I am grateful for the summer break in many ways but mostly for the time it gives me to reflect upon the past year and make plans for the year ahead, I am so proud of our school. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a wonderful summer and already I am looking forward to welcoming you back in the Autumn Term which begins for the children on **Tuesday 4TH SEPTEMBER 2018**. September 3rd is an INSET day for staff.

Year 6 Leavers

T shirts for signing (if desired) should be brought to school in a bag on Thursday 19th July and not worn. Please can we remind children in all other year groups that they **must not** have their t-shirts signed. This is a privilege for the Year 6 children only.

End of term Service

A reminder that children should not bring any bags to school with them on Friday. This will really help with our walk down to Church. If your child has a packed lunch could I please ask that they bring their lunch in a bag that can be disposed of after they have finished their lunch? This really helps our end of term arrangements.

Walkers: If you are able to walk to Church with us on Friday 20th July at 12:30 could you please inform Mrs Hodgson in the school office. Thank you.

The one-way system for collecting children, which was first used following the Easter Service, will be in place again at our end of year service. Any parent who has not attended the service will need to come in through the main church door when collecting their child and then follow the one-way system. Can we take this opportunity to thank you in advance for following this system and remind you that parents should not be parking in the church car park, especially as now families will be exiting this way with children.

If you wish your child to walk home by themselves, they must bring a note with permission or parents must ring the school office. If you know someone else will be collecting your child could you please send a note or call the office before 12 o'clock on the 20th July 2018 with details please. **There will be no After School Club on this day and all children should be collected from Church at 2.00pm. Thank you.**

Summer Sports Camp

Onside Sports, who work with us in school each week, will be holding a Summer Camp here at Dalton St Mary's. It will run for 5 days beginning on Monday 20th August 2018. Further information has been sent out from Onside Sports.

School Lunches

From September 2018 there will be an increase of 5p per meal on all lunches. This is not a decision we like to make however we do feel that, even with this small increase, our lunches still offer very good value for money and remain lower than other schools at this time.

Dear God,

We pray for our children as they prepare for a new season in their lives. As they move to new schools - give them strength in their growing independence. As they move to new classes - give them confidence in growing friendships. For all the teachers, assistants and volunteers who teach and nurture our children, we ask for your blessing, your joy, your wisdom and your patience as they re-charge their batteries over the summer break, ready for the new term!

We ask this in the name of Jesus.

Amen

Nursery Applications and Extended Hours

Applications for places in our Nursery are now being accepted for the next academic year; September 2018, January 2019 and April 2019. 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.

Dates for Diaries

Finish for Summer

Church Service 1.00pm Friday 20th July 2018

Return to school

Tuesday 4th September 2018

Please note these holiday dates before booking family holidays, particularly with the changes to the Local Authority Policy relating to holidays in term time.

AUTUMN TERM 2018

STARTS

ENDS

HALF – TERM HOLIDAY

Tuesday

Friday

Monday 22 October –

4 September

21 December

Friday 26 October

SPRING TERM 2019

STARTS

ENDS

HALF – TERM HOLIDAY

Tuesday

Friday

Monday 18 February –

8 January

29 March

Friday 22 February

SUMMER TERM 2019

STARTS

ENDS

Bank Holiday: Monday 6 May 2019

HALF – TERM HOLIDAY

Monday

Friday

Monday 27 May –

15 April

19 July

Friday 31 May

Good Friday – 19 April

Easter Sunday – 21 April

Easter Monday 22 April