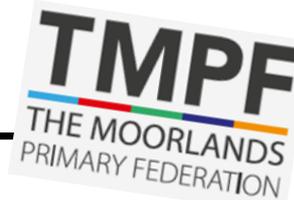




Words from St. Werburgh's

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DIARY DATES

New dates in italics

Monday 3rd June	School re-opens
Tuesday 4th June	Sports Day (<i>fingers crossed for sunshine!</i>)
Friday 7th June	'Wear it Wild Day' Year 5 Transition morning at The Cheadle Academy Fathers' Day sporting event - Key Stage 2
Monday 10th June	PTA Meeting - 6.00pm
Thursday 13th June	Photographs - teams, groups and councils (<i>provisional date</i>)
Friday 14th June	Y6 PE Transition event at The Cheadle Academy (<i>all Y6</i>) Fathers' Day sporting event - Key Stage 1/ Reception class
17th-21st June	Y6 residential
Wednesday 19th June	Y1 and Y2 Scooting Skills
Friday 21st June	Photographs—Class groups and teams (<i>provisional date</i>)
Friday 19th July	School's out for summer!

SPORTS DAY

We are delighted to announce that Sports Day 2019 is planned for 9.30am on Tuesday 4th June. We will keep our fingers crossed for good weather and thank you in advance for ensuring that

NO IMAGES FROM THE EVENT ARE POSTED ON ANY FORM OF SOCIAL MEDIA.

This way, all children can participate safely - and that is more important than any photograph!

YEAR 5 & 6 CADSSA SWIMMING GALA

On Monday 20th May, children from Year 5 & 6 took part in a swimming gala at Cheadle Leisure Centre. The individual races were one-length swims and we also took part in two relay races. The team spirit was fantastic and we all supported by chanting and cheering. Overall, we finished in 6th place - well done, team!



Super swimmers: Isla E., Macie, Mya, Ruby, Cooper, Reece T., Lukas Y., Noah, Molly G., Megan S., Katie, Olivia, Allan, Maverick,, Dylan and Liam C.

By Molly G., (Y6) Lukas Y (Y5)

'SOMETHING SPECIAL' HAS MOVED

Uniform provider 'Something Special' has now moved from the High Street in Cheadle to:
4 Pine View, Hillside business park, Draycott Crossroads, Cheadle, ST10 1AB

ECO EVENT

A date for your diaries!

Back by popular demand: 'Wear it Wild Day' in conjunction with

'World Oceans Day'.

Friday 7th June.

Dress up as an animal, or come in non-uniform and bring a picture of your favourite animal.

Let's join in the fun while helping to protect our incredible World.

...love one another



ATTENDANCE AND LATENESS

Attendance at school is an essential part of a child's education. We strive to work with you to provide the very best education possible and to do this we need children to attend school as often as possible and on time. We will share attendance figures on the newsletter (below), online and also on your child's report. We will also continue to offer support with any challenges you may face in terms of attendance or punctuality.

Of course, we appreciate that there are occasions when children have to be absent from school due to ill health, or medical appointments, and we thank you for your support in helping to keep all members of our school family healthy by following steps including the period of 48 hours between the last episode of vomiting and the return to school.

As a school, we will write to you if your child's attendance is low, or lateness is common, because we wish to avoid a situation where the Local Authority will issue you with a fine (please note that **school do not issue fines, nor receive any money from these**), or Education Welfare become involved. Just to remind all, that school opens at 8.45am and the doors close at 8.55am, please ensure your child arrives during this period of time.

We want to celebrate high attendance, therefore, below are each classes' attendance for the week ending 17 May 2019 (these figures have deducted lateness as well as absence).

Reception	92.17 %
Year 1	93.85%
Year 2	97.78%
Year 3/4	96.48%
Year 4/5	98.62%
Year 6	97.14%

SAFETY ON SITE

Please can we remind you that children should **NOT** use the outdoor play area before or after school. Please can you ensure that this message is also passed to anyone who may also collect or drop-off your child at school.

Also, may we thank you in advance for ensuring that no dogs are brought onto the school grounds and remind you that smoking or vaping is not permitted either. Many thanks for following these steps to help the children to feel safe, healthy and reassured at their school.

HOLIDAYS

Please remember that schools are not allowed to authorise leave (unless in **exceptional** circumstances) in term time and any period of unauthorised leave may result in a penalty notice being served by the Local Authority.

Persistent lateness can also result in the issue of a penalty notice from the Local Authority.

As a Multi Academy Trust, we wish to support you with your child's attendance in school and avoid the possibility of any fines being issued by the Local Authority (please note that **school do not issue fines, nor receive any money from these**). With this in mind, should your child's attendance dip below 90%, we will write to you to advise of the situation and hopefully help to address this and prevent the Education Welfare Service becoming involved.

ALL AGE WORSHIP THANKS

Thank you very much to the children, parents and family members who were able to join us on Sunday 19th May for the All Age Worship Service in church. It was a lovely celebration led by the children and a great way to come together in prayer.

FISHING COMPETITION

The Rotary Club of Cheadle and Blythe Bridge will be hosting a fishing competition at Blake Hall Fisheries on Saturday 8th June 2019. Years 5 and 6 are invited to take part and there will be no cost to the children. Please see the attached sheet for further details.

STAYING SAFE ONLINE

As you know, we are committed to the safeguarding and safety of all our wonderful pupils. For this reason, we provide ongoing education to the children about the importance of staying safe online and we endeavour to provide them with the tools to use the internet safely.

As part of our ongoing commitment to safeguarding, we would like to remind parents to be *mindful* about the information they choose to share online. Please **do not** post any images of any children or their personal details, who are not your own, on Facebook or other forms of social media, without permission from their parents or carers. By doing this you may be unknowingly putting them at risk. This includes children in the background of photographs. It is simply to keep everyone safe. As you know – under no circumstances must any photographs of any children at school events be posted onto any form of social media, or shared with others. This is to keep **ALL** children safe.

For further details on how to stay safe online, please continue to visit the school website:

www.tmpf.staffs.sch.uk

Should you feel any children are in immediate danger, please contact the Police or Staffordshire County Council's First Response service on 0800 1313 126.

YEAR 5/6 TAG RUGBY PLAYERS SUPPORT SISTER SCHOOLS

Some of the Year 5/6 St. Werburgh's tag rugby players very kindly offered to play for some of our sister schools, The Valley and Dilhorne. We played against eight teams in total and scored some really good tries. All of the team had a very fun afternoon and we enjoyed helping others and hope to do it again in the future. Well done to: Reece T., Macie, Lukas, Isabella L., Ruby, Mya, Sophie and Liam M.

By Mya (Y5) and Liam M. (Y6)

YEAR 5/6 TAG RUGBY FESTIVAL

On Friday 17th May, eight schools joined the St. Werburgh's tag rugby team on the St. Werburgh's field for their annual CADSSA Tag Rugby Festival. We played eight matches and lots of tries were scored and tags were made. Captains Josie and Oliver were very proud of their team. Overall, we narrowly came 3rd with 2 teams achieving joint 1st place. Thanks to everybody who organised the event and an extra special thanks to all of the spectators for keeping us going through the many matches. Well done to: Oliver, Josie, Dylan, Sophie F., Charlie, Zach C., Liam C., Maverick, Josie, Cooper, Isla E. and Callum M.

Special thanks to our wonderful Y6 touch-judges: Riley, Codi, George E., George S., Olivia, Alfie, Phoebe, Eva, Megan S., Melody, Jasmine, Tyler, Molly, Allan, Mia, Lily-Mae and Katie.

GIRLS' YEAR 5/6 FOOTBALL LEAGUE

On Tuesday 21st May, it was the final matches of the CADSSA girls' football league. We played at Cheadle Primary School along with 7 other teams. There were 15 of us who travelled to Cheadle and we kindly helped our friends out at The Valley, as some of us also played for The Valley because there was so many of us! We had a fantastic time playing in the sunshine and for the Year 6 girls, it was their last matches as part of the St. Werburgh's girls' football team! We had some cracking goals scored throughout the afternoon by Codi and Isla E. and the defending was strong with Eva making some great saves as the goalkeeper.

Well done to: Maddison, Melody, Megan S., Sophie F., Eva, Katie, Mia, Olivia, Molly, Josie, Codi, Ruby, Isla E., Ella, and Megan B.

By Codi (Y6) and Ella (Y5)

PARKING SAFELY

May we continue to thank those who park safely and considerately around our school site. By parking safely, courteously and legally, we are helping everyone around us, and other road users, to be safe and happy. Parking restrictions are in place solely to keep people safe, so by sticking to these, we can help to look after all of the members of our school family and the community.

PARKING SAFELY AND RESPONSIBLY

PLEASE can we once again urge all who drive to school to park with consideration of other road users (including buses) and also for those who use the pavement. By mounting the pavement, people with pushchairs are caused problems when passing safely. Please avoid doing so and play your part in keeping everyone safe. The safety of our school family is the most important thing.

Zig zags and yellow lines are there for children's safety - by parking on these (even for a few moments) you are putting children and other road users at risk.

As you know, a number of our parents, recently received criticism in the local press and at a Parish Council meeting for 'selfish and thoughtless' parking outside school, by showing our consideration for other users, this will help to change that opinion.

We ALL want to avoid anybody getting injured due to irresponsible parking.

Should you see anyone parked dangerously, Staffordshire County Council advise that you should contact the Police on 101. For further information, please visit <https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/transport/parking/Enforcement.aspx>

CAR PARK

May we please, again, urge you not to use the school car park as a pedestrian access. At all times of the day, this area may have moving vehicles. Please help us to keep every child safe and do not walk across the car park.

YEAR 1 PHONICS PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

We were delighted to welcome parents from Year 1 into school for an information session on Phonics and the way in which children are assessed within this key area of Literacy. This is the latest of our special sessions whereby we welcome parents and carers into school to find out more about the way in which elements of the curriculum are taught. If you were unable to join us and would like to find out more, please let Mr Casey know.

BOOK TOKEN PRIZE DRAW - YOU CAN STILL HELP!

'National Book Tokens' are running a 'Big Prize Draw' where there is a **chance to win £5000 of National Book Tokens** for our school library. Parents and staff can enter the draw, and the more entries we have, the greater chance we have of winning!

Therefore, if you get change, please log on to:

www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools

and put in an entry for
St. Werburgh's C.E. (A) Primary.

Also...if your entry is picked, you will get £100 of vouchers to spend on yourself.
Thank you for your ongoing support.

PTA THANKS

Thank you those who were able to join us for a boogie at our disco this week.
As always, a big thank you to our splendid PTA for your fund-raising for the children.

THANK YOU AND HAVE A LOVELY HALF TERM

The whole staff team would like to thank you for your ongoing support and the positive comments received. We are very grateful, thank you.

The Moorlands Primary Federation team hope that you all have a wonderful half-term holiday and we look forward to welcoming you back into school on Monday 3rd June.