



# Words from St. Werburgh's

Issue 2— Autumn 2019



## DIARY DATES

Monday 7th October	Nutritionist leading sessions on healthy eating
Monday 7th October	PTA Meeting - 5.30pm in school
Wednesday 9th October	Parent Consultation Evening
Tuesday 15th October	Parent Information Session - Reception
Wednesday 16th October	Parent Information Session - Y6
Tuesday 22nd October	Parent Information Session - Y1
Thursday 24th October	Halloween themed lunch
Thursday 24th October	School closes for half term
Monday 4th November	School re-opens
Tuesday 5th November	Bonfire themed lunch
Wednesday 6th November	Parent Information Session - Y2
Thursday 7th November	Photographs (individual and siblings)
Wednesday 18th December	Trip to the Pantomime - whole school
Friday 20th December	School closes for Christmas
Tuesday 7th January	School re-opens for the spring term
Thursday 2nd April	School closes for the Easter holiday
Monday 20th April	School re-opens for the summer term
Friday 17th July	School's out for summer!

### HARVEST THANKS

A big 'thank you' for your generosity in offering donations for our Harvest Festival and to those who were able to join us in Church for the first whole-school Service of the year...and the first for our lovely Reception Class!

All packaged/tinned/dried food and baby items were passed to the Women's Refuge, and Homelink were delighted to receive all of the fresh produce.



### PTA AGM

Our amazing PTA will be hosting their first meeting of the year (and AGM) on **Monday 7th October, at 5.30pm**, here in school.

The purpose of a PTA is to raise funds for the school which benefit the children... and our PTA does a fabulous job.  
All are welcome to join us!

### MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

The amazing School Council organised a lovely fund-raising event to celebrate the MacMillan Coffee Morning last week. We raised lots of money which will be sent to this very worthwhile cause and we even had two lucky winners of the raffle who each went home with a delicious chocolate cake (enough for the whole family!) and an understandably large smile!

**Thank you** to all for supporting the School Council's fund-raising event.



### PLAY SAFETY AND SAFELY

Please **do not** allow **any** children to use the fixed play equipment on the grassy area at the front of school **at any time.**

Many thanks for your help and for ensuring that anyone collecting your child is also aware of this important message.

### SPORTS LEADERS

We are delighted to announce the children who will be helping to deliver healthy activities as our school's Sports Leaders this year:

Megan, Isla B., Isla E., Ruby, Mya G., Isabella L., Callum M., Macie, Aimee, Summer, Cooper, Bluebelle, Lukas Y., Izaak B., Callum C., Evie-Mae D., Emily, Holly F., Alfred, Angel, Milton, William, and Nelson.



## ATTENDANCE STARS

Our attendance for the week ending 4th October:

Reception - 98.3%	Y1 - 91.8%
Y2 - 99.2%	3/4 - 98.8%
Y4/5 - 95.9%	Y6 - 96.8%

Well done Year 2!



## CAR PARK

Please can we remind all that the car park is for staff and visitors only. We also request that you do not walk across the car park with children as there are moving vehicles and we all want to keep children safe.

## SAFE PARKING

May we continue to thank those who park safely and considerately around our school site.

By parking safely, courteously, and legally, we are helping neighbours, other parents, Parishioners, 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.

## PARENTS' EVENING

Just to remind that to improve communication between school and parents, we shall be staging parents consultation evenings ('Parents' Evenings') at **new times of the year**. These will now take place in the middle of the autumn and spring terms. Our first one is being held on **Wednesday 9th October**, from 3.35-5.30pm. Our new school Cook, Mrs Hambleton, will also be available to speak to, and you could maybe even sample a cake or two!

School reports will continue to share information at other points throughout the school year.

As always, should you have any concerns at any point throughout the terms, your first point of contact is always your child's class teacher.

## SAFETY ON SITE

May we thank you for ensuring that no dogs are brought onto the school grounds, so we can enable the children to feel safe and reassured at their school.

Thank you also for setting a good example to children by not smoking or vaping on school grounds.



## HOLIDAYS AND TERM DATES

You can see all term dates, on the school website:

[www.tmpf.staffs.sch.uk](http://www.tmpf.staffs.sch.uk)

**Please do not book holidays during term time as you risk receiving a penalty notice from the Local Authority if your child does not attend school.**

## ALDI STICKERS

We are making great progress on our lovely Aldi sticker chart and the children are enjoying adding their stickers to it. Thank you for sending

these in to help our collection grow.



## POP-IN TODDLER GROUP

A community-led toddler group is now running at Kingsley Holt Chapel on Churnet Valley Road, (during term times) on Tuesday mornings between 9.30-11.30am.

Parents, grandparents, carers, babies, toddlers and 'bumps' are all welcome with a suggested donation of £2 per child.

## STAYING SAFE

Through our commitment to keeping children safe, our Computing lessons this term will teach children ways to stay safe online. Information on how you can help your child to stay safe online can be found in the 'School Family - Parents' section of our website.

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

## FOOTBALL STARS SHINE IN B LEAGUE

On Tuesday 17th September, the B League football team travelled to our friends at St. John's to play three football matches. In the first game, we played the hosts who beat us 2-0. Our second match was against Cheadle Primary when our goalkeeper (Lukas) made a spectacular save, however, in the last minute the opposition scored a goal! Finally, we played St. Thomas', who beat us 3-0.

On Tuesday 24th September, the last week of the league, we travelled to our friends at Cicely Haughton and again we played three matches. During our first game, we played the hosts and won 2-0! Our second match was against our sister school, Great Wood Primary, and the final score was another win, 1-0! Our final game was Cheadle Primary, who beat us.

Overall, we finished the season in a wonderful sixth position!

Well done B Leaguers: Lukas, Reece T., Holly, Macie, Angel, Evie-Mae, Ella, Isabella L., and Ruby.

*By Ruby, Macie and Lukas (Y6)*

## FOOTBALLERS KICK OFF THE A LEAGUE

On Thursday 17th September, we travelled to our friends at St. John's to play the first week of our CADSSA 'A League' football fixtures. We played against two teams (St. John's and The Valley/ Dilhorne). We lost 1-2 against St. John's and won 2-1 against The Valley/ Dilhorne. We enjoyed week one and hoped for the best for the upcoming matches.

On Thursday 3rd October we hosted our second week of the 'A League' football here at St. Werburgh's. We played against our friends at Cicely Haughton and St. Giles' - and we won both! We won 4-0 and 2-0.

We all hope for the best again next week.

Well done: Callum M., Megan, Cooper, Isla E., Nelson, Callum C., Alfie, H., Milton, Izaac B., Will, Ewan and Zac.

*By Cooper and Isla E. (Y6)*

## ATTENDANCE AND LATENESS

Attendance at school is an essential part of a child's education.

**As you know, school begins at 8.55am. After this time, your child will be marked as 'Late'.**

Excessive lateness, or poor attendance, can lead to fines being issued to parents by the Local Authority. If your child is going to be absent for the day, you **must** call school **before 9.30am** to let us know why they will not be in - this is simply to help safeguard children!

## SCHOOL UNIFORM



The children have started the year looking very smart indeed. Many thanks for ensuring that your child comes to school in the correct school uniform. May we also remind all that shoes must be worn in school, not black trainers, boots, or sandals.

## UNIFORM EXCHANGE

You may have seen that a group in Cheadle have begun a 'Uniform Exchange' scheme to re-use uniform that no longer fits, or is no longer needed. This is then made freely available to parents. Donations of uniform are also very welcome. For further information, please call 07874 830996, or find the Cheadle school uniform recycling scheme on Facebook.

## THANK YOU

Many thanks for your continued support of school, it is important to us all. Thank you for also supporting us with the living of our school motto:

***Love to learn, love God, love another.***

Thank  
you!!