



Words from St. Werburgh's

Issue 4 — Autumn 2019



DIARY DATES

Monday 11th November	Armistice Day commemorations
Wednesday 13th November	'British Roast Dinner'-themed lunch & fund-raising for 'Young Minds'
Thursday 14th November	Deadline to return ticket applications for Stoke City v Reading
Friday 15th November	Fluenz immunisation - <i>whole school</i>
Friday 15th November	<i>Children in Need</i>
Monday 18th November	Y6 at Cheadle Fire Station, 'Safe and Sound' event
Tuesday 19th November	Open Morning - new Reception Class 2020
Tuesday 19th November	KS1 (Year 2) SATs Information session - 6pm
Wednesday 20th November	Bags2School return date
Wednesday 20th November	Parent Information Session Y4/5 - 9.05am
Wednesday 27th November	Non-uniform day - bring items for the Christmas Fayre
Friday 29th November	PTA Christmas Fayre 3.35-5.00pm
Wednesday 18th December	Trip to the Pantomime - whole school
Friday 20th December	School closes for Christmas

OPEN MORNING

On **Tuesday 19th November 2019**, we will be hosting an 'Open Morning' for anyone wishing to join our school family in Reception class in 2020 (even though it seems so far away!).

If you have children of this age, or know anyone who may be keen on coming along to see us, please let them know about the event and ask them to simply contact school to book their place.

We would love to meet them and show them what a lovely place our school is.

As you know, it is really important that we continue to welcome new children into our school family each year.

Please, spread the word to anyone whose child is starting school in September 2020!



WE WILL REMEMBER THEM

On Sunday 10th November, our Church is hosting a very special service of Remembrance, all are welcome to come together as a Parish to remember those who have given their lives for us.

On Monday 11th November (Armistice Day), a group of children will be attending a service at the cenotaph at 10.45am to join with the community and pay respect on behalf of the entire school family. We are always honoured to be part of this special service and see how much respect our children pay at this poignant time. Those children not attending the cenotaph will meet in the hall for a special service and a minute's silence, so we all, from whichever venue, remember the brave men, women and animals who gave so much for us to enjoy the lives which we are blessed to have today.

ATTENDANCE STARS

Our attendance for the week ending 8 November:

Reception - 95%

Y2 - 97.2%

Y4/5 - 97.1%

Y1 - 98.6%

3/4 - 99.2%

Y6 - 100% - Yaay!

Well done Year 6!

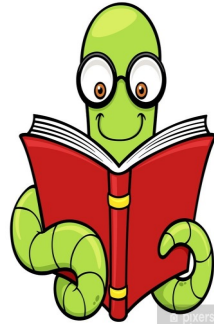


CAR PARK

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.

EXTREME READING CHALLENGE

Huge thanks to those who were able to submit entries for the 'Extreme Reading Challenge' which we ran prior to half-term. We have had lots of brilliant and very creative entries which have really made us smile! Further details were be shared soon and we look forward to creating a display of this brilliant 'reading art'!



STOKE CITY TICKET OFFER

We were delighted to welcome Stoke City FC into school on Tuesday to share with us the brilliant **City 7s** scheme for Y2 and also to provide a wonderful ticket offer for the whole school to attend the upcoming Championship fixture against Reading at a very special price.

If you do wish to order tickets for the match (details of which were sent home on Tuesday), please return the forms and payment to school **no later than Thursday 14th November** - and the club will collect these from us and send tickets directly to your home address.



NO CROSSING PATROL

On Friday 15th November, Josie, our lovely Crossing Patrol (lollipop lady), will not be on duty. Please can you make children are aware and ensure that they can safely cross the road.



HOLIDAYS AND TERM DATES

You can see all term dates, on our website:

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 have now completed our second Aldi sticker poster - many thanks for sending these in.



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.

PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS

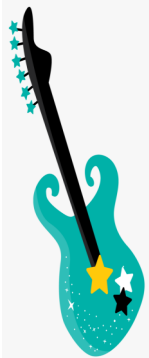
Many thanks to those of you who were able to join us for the Y2 Parent Information Session this week - we hope you found it to be a useful insight into your child's learning in relation to Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar. The final Parent Information session of the autumn term is:

Years 4/5 - Wednesday 20th November

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.



ST. WERBURGH'S ROCKS!

School turned into a Rock gig on Friday 8th November as we celebrated the 'Times Tables Rock Stars' maths program.

The online program helps children to deepen their understanding of the multiplication tables and the related division facts, which helps them to continue their growth as young mathematicians.

Many thanks to everyone for supporting the event and also to those who created some brilliant costumes of many different types of rock music! Everyone was looking very cool! Keep an eye out in the Cheadle and Tean Times (*The Stunner*) and the school website for some familiar faces!

RECEPTION CLASS ON THEIR BIKE

On Tuesday, our amazing Reception class had their first balance bike training session. They did ever so well and the three instructors who joined us were really impressed with them and how friendly the school was.

"I liked balancing on the bikes and would like to do it every day." Maddison B.

We look forward to seeing them continuing to build their cycling skills over the approaching weeks and possibly catching an early glimpse of the next Laura Kenny or Chris Froome!

JEWELLERY

No jewellery is to be worn for PE, swimming, after school sporting clubs, etc. This includes watches, fitness trackers, earrings and earring retainers. Any new piercing should be carried out at the beginning of the summer holidays so that jewellery may be removed. If a pupil cannot remove their studs for any reason, they may not be able to take part in the physical elements of the lesson due to the associated risks, however, alternative involvement in the lesson will be provided. No jewellery is permitted to be worn whilst representing the school at sport.

**Be Bright
Be Seen**



ROAD SAFETY

At this time of year, it's important to **Be Bright and Be Seen** when you are out and about near roads.

BE BRIGHT – wear fluorescent or brightly coloured clothing when walking to and from school – it shows up well in daylight and at dusk.

REFLECTIVE – When it's dark outside, wear reflective clothing to be seen in car headlights. Reflective vests, sashes or wristbands work well.

IMPROVE – improve your visibility with accessories, clip on reflectors, armbands and stickers added to your coat or bag are a great way to improve your visibility.

GREEN CROSS CODE – always choose routes and crossing places that are well lit and remember to use the Green Cross Code.

HEADLIGHTS – if you like to cycle, it's the law to have clean and working headlights on your bike at night (white at the front, red at the back) as well as a rear reflector. It's good to fit spoke reflectors too.

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.

ATTENDANCE AND LATENESS

Attendance 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 safeguard children!

Thank
you!!

THANK YOU

Many thanks for your ongoing support of your school we really value it.

Love to learn, love God, love one another.



WORLD WAR I
1914 - 1918

A black and white photograph showing the silhouettes of World War I soldiers in a trench. The soldiers are carrying various pieces of equipment, including rifles and packs, and are walking away from the viewer. The background is a bright, hazy sky, creating a strong silhouette effect.

THEY SHALL GROW NOT OLD, AS WE THAT ARE LEFT GROW OLD:
AGE SHALL NOT WEARY THEM, NOR THE YEARS CONDEMN.
AT THE GOING DOWN OF THE SUN AND IN THE MORNING
WE WILL REMEMBER THEM.

FOR THE FALLEN
ROBERT LAURENCE BINYON