

ST MARY'S CE(C) FIRST SCHOOL & NURSERY

Helping Each Other To Do Our Best

Newsletter 21

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Dear Parents, Thank you all for supporting the school over the last year, we have made many changes to our practices this year and believe we are raising the standards of teaching and learning. There have been more opportunities for you to visit school and enjoy activities with your children. We will continue to develop this over the coming year. I would like to thank all the staff for their continued commitment to school and wish Angela Williams all the best for her future. As the Year 4 pupils move to the next stage in their education, I would like to bid them a fond farewell and wish them all the best for their time at Middle School. Thank you, Mr Thorne

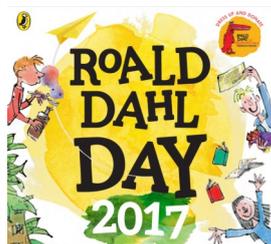
Year 3 French Café success

Last week the Year 3 class had the opportunity to showcase some of their Languages work in the form of a French afternoon. The hall was set up in the format of a café, with flag bunting and tables decorated by Y3 children.

There were tasty treats for children and parents to try, such as crepes, croissants, pains au chocolat, du pain et du fromage. Children sang some of the songs they had learnt, and they also had a lesson taught by Mme Guillot, a Languages teacher based at Brewood Middle School. A parent commented 'Many thanks to the all the staff involved in the preparation, execution and tidy up of the French Cafe yesterday. It was an original and fun way to celebrate and showcase the children's learning; and I'm sure will be fondly remembered by all those who participated. Your effort and time was very much appreciated.'



Roald Dahl Day



On 13th September 2017 the children at St Mary's will be once again celebrating the birthday of Roald Dahl.

We are inviting the children to come to school dressed as a Roald Dahl character on this day. We will also be arranging a variety of Roald Dahl themed activities throughout the day based on some of the most well-known stories and characters.

Last year's event was a huge success and we are looking forward to another fun packed day. Thank you for your continued support.

Upcoming dates:

Wednesday 6th September	1st day back at school
Wednesday 13th September	Roald Dahl Day
Monday 18th September	School Photographer visit— class groups and photographs
Tuesday 19th September	PTA AGM 5.30pm

Have your details changed?

If you plan on changing any of your contact numbers during the school holidays, please remember to inform the office when we return in September. Thank you.

New Nursery Phone number

Please note that the telephone number for the Nursery and Out of School Club has changed to **01785 334924**.

Parent Pay update

Please check your Parent Pay account and ensure that all balances are cleared before September. Failure to clear balances will mean that we may not be able to honour bookings for clubs in September.

The school office will refund any credits remaining for Year 4 leavers.

The Birthday Table payment item - From September, any Birthday Table payments should be made to your child's school dinner payment item. Please check in advance with the office to confirm how much the Birthday Table will be prior to paying.

Dinner payments—from September, parents will be asked to bring in a packed lunch for their child when dinners are in debit over £10.75 until the debt is cleared, as payments should be made in advance.

Headlice

There have been a few reported cases of headlice, please be aware and check your child's hair.

Wheaton Aston Scout Group - Cubs and Beavers

There are currently spaces for both boys and girls to join Wheaton Aston Beaver and Cub Scouts. Each section has its own balanced programme of activities, badges and awards.

Beavers are aged between 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ & 8 years old and meet on Wednesdays (term time only) at 6:00pm to 7:15pm. Beavers play games, have fun & adventures, make new friends, go on trips, learn new things and do badge work. Children under the age limit can join the waiting list and will start as soon as they are eligible to.

Cubs are aged 8 to 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ years old and meet on a Thursday evening (term time only) from 6:00pm to 7:30pm. Cubs go on lots of adventures & camps, try new challenges, make friends, cook and eat lots of food, have camp fires and learn new skills whilst completing lots of badges.

For more information contact:-

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