



<u>Week Commencing Monday 10th December 2018</u>		School Dinner Menu: Week 2
Monday 10th December	8.00am 9.00am Lunchtime	Year 6 Study Club Class 1 & 2 Christmas Production Study Club for Year 6
Tuesday 11th December	Lunchtime 1.00pm 3.30 – 4.30pm 5.00pm	lunchtime clubs – Netball Club KS2, Lego Club KS1, Yoga Club KS2 Flu Vaccinations for Reception, Years 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5 Year 5 & 6 Football Club Class 1 & 2 Christmas Production
Wednesday 12th December	8.00am 10.45am 1.00pm 4.00 – 5.00pm	Year 6 Study Club Class 5 Swimming KS2 Pantomime trip Academy Choir
Thursday 13th December	8.00am 2.45pm 3.30 – 4.30pm	Year 6 Study Club Achievement Worship – All welcome! KS2 Drama Club
Friday 14th December	10.00am Lunchtime 7.30pm	Christmas Jumper Day - £1 donation KS1 Pantomime trip Y5 & 6 Running Club – cancelled due to building work Choir singing at Festival of Christmas at Lichfield Cathedral

PERMISSIONS, PAYMENTS AND DEADLINES

Permissions or Payments	*Total Amount £	Deadline
Academy Choir	£30	£10 to be paid by the end of each term
Nursery Wrap Around Care	Amount as charged	Half termly
Care Club	amount as charged	weekly
Dinner money	amount as charged	weekly

All payments should be made using ParentPay unless stated otherwise. We accept childcare vouchers and tax-free childcare payments for care club and nursery wrap around care. If you wish to pay using tax-free childcare payments, please inform the office of your TFC reference so that we can correctly add your payments onto your ParentPay account.

Reminders

Year 5 – Please return your Bikeability forms
Selected pupils – please return your guitar concert slip ASAP



Christmas Jumper Day

On Friday 14th December, we will be holding a Christmas Jumper Day. Children are welcome to come to school in non-uniform and a Christmas jumper in exchange for a £1 donation. All donations will go towards Oliver's Fund. Children attending the Christmas Pantomime on this day must come in full school uniform but can swap their school jumper for a Christmas one. We look forward to seeing all of your best Christmas jumpers!



Academy Choir

There will be no choir on Wednesday 19th December. This means that the last choir session before Christmas will be on Wednesday 12th December.

Catering Review

As part of our commitment to improving our food culture, we are undertaking a review of the current situation. A short survey monkey questionnaire (5 questions) has been emailed round to all parents, we would be very grateful if you could spare a couple of minutes to complete it. If you would like the link sending again, please let the school secretary know. Many thanks



Achievements

For week commencing the 3rd December 2018, the following children received Star of the Week in our Achievement Worship celebrating their achievements:

Class 1	Lucas Taylor	For showing a huge love for learning in the classroom and working hard to help others in the Christmas show
Class 2	George Goss Leila Henley	For a super effort to learn his words for the play For a super effort to project her voice
Class 3	Jessica McGuffie	For being an all-round superstar!
Class 4	Charlie Binns	For trying really hard with his English work to improve his writing
Class 5	Megan Robinson Cameron Myatt	For outstanding attitude towards her learning and fantastic results in maths For showing a mature attitude to his learning and school life



Attendance

Well done to Year 3 for achieving the highest attendance in school with 100% for the week commencing Monday 26th November 2018.

The Small Schools Multi Academy Trust Attendance for week commencing Monday 26 th November 2018			Trust Attendance Target 97%
	St. Mary's	Richard Crosse	Howard
Reception	97.10	94.12	93.33
Year 1	100.00	97.14	98.46
Year 2	100.00	98.67	99.09
Year 3	98.33	100.00	100.00
Year 4	95.63	98.89	96.00
Year 5	97.27	97.00	98.75
Year 6	100.00	98.46	100.00
Whole School	98.07	97.76	97.97

Polite Reminder to Parents/Carers from the School Age Immunisation Team

We shall be visiting school on Tuesday 11th December to deliver the Nasal Flu spray programme to Reception to Year 5 children. Thank you to those who have returned a completed consent form already. If you have not done so and would like your child protected against Flu, please complete the consent form and return to school as soon as possible. If you have mislaid the form, please contact the team on 03001240366 to complete a verbal consent form over the phone. Thank you.



Academy Choir – Festival of Christmas at Lichfield Cathedral

As you may be aware, tickets for the Festival of Christmas at Lichfield Cathedral have now sold out. Some parents have been unable to get tickets. If you have any tickets that you no longer need, please let the office know, thank you.

Reception Places – September 2019

The closing date for applications for admission into Reception is 15th January 2019. The best way to apply is online at www.staffordshire.gov.uk/admissions. All parents must make an application. If an application is not

made, it should not be assumed that your child will automatically be admitted to your preferred school. If your child attends our Nursery, this does not guarantee them a place. For more information, please speak to the school office or the admissions team at Staffordshire County Council.

What the children learnt this week:

Class 1 – This week, in Class 1, we have been busy practicing our spectacular Christmas play. We have shown excellent team work and focus during rehearsals and greatly enjoyed sharing our work with the school on Friday's dress rehearsal. We have also learnt about and made Christingles. A busy but fun-filled week, well done Class 1!



Class 2 – This week, in English we have had a go at writing a class poem about the moon using adjectives and noun phrases. We have completed some maths and reading assessments as well. In RE, we learnt about the meaning of advent and made our own advent rings. We also enjoyed making Christingles for the service on Sunday. We have spent a lot of time practising our Nativity and we are a little bit nervous but mostly excited about performing it to everyone. A brilliant week, well done Class 2!

Class 3 – This week, in Class 3, we have started our new topic in English - instructions. We have explored how instructions look and the features that are used such as fronted adverbials, noun phrases and adverbs. In maths, we have been assessing our learning so far this term. In History, we have enjoyed learning about what the ancient Egyptians believed about the afterlife. In DT, we have spent the past few weeks designing Christmas stockings and this week we have drawn our designs on tracing paper. We explored the affects of evaporation in science by observing what happens to wet paper towels in different conditions. Well done, you have tried really hard this week, keep it up!

Class 4 – This week, in Class 4, we have had a very busy week. We have created our own Christingle acrostic poems ready for the Christingle service on Sunday. In DT, we have used the designs we created last week to begin embroidering our Christmas stockings. In English, we have started work on instructions and have briefly looked at instructions of how to trap a dragon. We were very excited and look forward to continuing our work next week. We have had some superb results in our assessments this week and Miss Hurdman is very proud of us all! Well done class 4!

Class 5 – This week, in Class 5, we have completed a great deal of assessments, with great results! We have created parachutes in our Science lesson to test how air resistance works on a falling object. In DT, we have been using CAD software to create a 3D design of our fairground rides. We enjoyed making our Christingles and practising songs ready for the service on Sunday! Another great week, well done Class 5!

59 Club

The winning number this week was 57, as there was no winner, next week's prize fund rolls to £30



PTA Information

Thank you to all those who attended and helped at the Christmas Fayre last week, we hope you and the children enjoyed it as much as we did! We will update on funds raised in next week's planner. If you have any feedback or suggestions about this or any of our events please contact a member of the PTA or email us your thoughts.

Our next event is the Christmas Panto trip to the Rugeley Rose coming up next week and we will also be selling raffle tickets at the KS1 Christmas play. We are still looking for volunteers to join the PTA either as one of the trustees or members to help run events. If you have any questions or would like to chat about the roles please contact Martin or Marcella for more information. Please join us for our AGM in January.

IMPORTANT DATES (New / Amended items are shown in bold italic)

December	
Monday 10 th	Class 1 & 2's Christmas Production – 9am – letters & tickets sent home
Tuesday 11 th	Flu Vaccinations – forms & details sent home
Tuesday 11 th	Class 1 & 2's Christmas Production – 5pm – letters & tickets sent home
<i>Wednesday 12th</i>	<i>KS2 trip to the pantomime – 1pm – letter sent home</i>
Friday 14 th	Christmas Jumper Day – details to follow
Friday 14 th	KS1 trip to the pantomime – 10am – letter sent home
Tuesday 18 th	Christmas Dinner Day & Christmas parties (PM)
Thursday 20 th	Guitar Concert – details to follow
Friday 21 st	Christmas service in church 9.30am
Friday 21 st	Break up for Christmas – 3.30pm
January	
Monday 7 th	Children and staff return to school for Spring term
Monday 14 th	Year 5 Bikeability – letters sent home
Tuesday 15 th	Year 5 Bikeability – letters sent home
Tuesday 15 th	Deadline for Reception applications for September 2019
Thursday 24 th	KS2 Young Voices Concert – details sent home
February	
Friday 8 th	Sleepover – details to follow
Wednesday 13 th	Manchester Camerata – details to follow
Wednesday 13 th	Parents Evening – details to follow
Friday 15 th	Break up for February half term – 3.30pm
Monday 25 th	Children and staff return to school

****Please note these dates and times are subject to change!***

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