



<u>Week Commencing Monday 14th January 2019</u>		School Dinner Menu: Week 1
Monday 14th January	8.00am	Deadline for September 2019 Reception applications Year 6 Study Club Year 5 Bikeability
Tuesday 15th January	Lunchtime	Year 5 Bikeability lunchtime clubs – Netball Club KS2, Lego Club KS1, Yoga Club KS2
Wednesday 16th January	8.00am 10.45am 4.00 – 5.00pm	Year 6 Study Club Swimming for Year 4 Academy Choir
Thursday 17th January	8.00am 2.45pm 3.30 – 4.30pm	Year 6 Study Club Achievement Worship – All welcome! KS2 Drama Club
Friday 18th January	Lunchtime	Y5 & 6 Running Club – cancelled due to building work

PERMISSIONS, PAYMENTS AND DEADLINES

Permissions or Payments	*Total Amount £	Deadline
Academy Choir	£30	£10 to be paid by the end of each term – Term 1 Overdue
Nursery Wrap Around Care	Amount as charged	Half termly
Care Club	amount as charged	weekly
Dinner money	amount as charged	weekly
Whitemoor Lakes Deposit	£30	Overdue. Next instalment of £30 to be paid by 31.01.19

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

Class 5 – Please return your Christingle trip letter ASAP

Class 5 – Please return your RC Racing slip to the office ASAP



Oliver's Fund

Fantastic News – We have now raised an amazing £4966.92. Please take a look at Oliver's page on our school website to see the trike this money helped to buy. Oliver will also be having £1680 of this money for additional physiotherapy to increase his mobility. We can't wait to continue our fundraising this year!

Year 5 Bikeability

As all Year 5 parents will be aware, Bikeability will take place on Monday 14th and Tuesday 15th January 2019. Children will need to bring their bikes and helmets to school with them on Monday. The gates to the KS2 playground will be open so children can put their bikes on there when they arrive. Children have the option to take their bikes home on Monday evening and return them on Tuesday morning or they can be left at school overnight. Please send your child with two carrier bags to cover the seat and helmet in case of rain. Children participating in Bikeability can come to school in non-school uniform.



Baby News!

Over the Christmas holidays, Mrs Powles gave birth to a beautiful baby boy named Jack. Both mum and baby are doing brilliantly.



Contacting Class Teachers

Please remember not to message teachers via Class DOJO. If you are reporting an absence, please phone the school office. For any other messages, please email either the office or Miss Jarrett. All messages will be passed onto teachers ASAP. The email addresses for the office and Miss Jarrett can be found on the back of the planner. Thank you.

Telling the time

As part of our whole school focus this term, we would like as many children as possible to tell the time. It would be fantastic for as many of our children to come to school with an analogue watch to help tell the time at different intervals throughout the day. If you can help your child with telling the time, it would be very much appreciated – thank you.



New Menu

Please note that the new dinner menu will start with week 1 on Monday 14th January 2019.

Road Safety

Please could all KS2 parents/friends come inside the playground at the end of the school day – the nights are dark and the pathways are too narrow, thank you.

Nursery

If you would like to make an application to join our Nursery in September 2019, please find the application form on our website under the 'Nursery' tab. All applications must be handed into the school office by 3rd May 2019.



Attendance

Well done to Year 5 for achieving the highest attendance in school with 98.95% for the week commencing Monday 17th December 2018.

The Small Schools Multi Academy Trust Attendance for week commencing Monday 17 th December 2018			Trust Attendance Target 97%
	St. Mary's	Richard Crosse	Howard
Reception	94.29	94.71	100.00
Year 1	96.00	94.29	98.46
Year 2	87.86	98.67	90.91
Year 3	83.33	93.68	100.00
Year 4	95.00	95.56	94.00
Year 5	90.91	98.95	80.00
Year 6	100.00	95.38	100.00
Whole School	92.95	95.91	94.24

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, we have been busy sharing and writing our holiday news and learning about the celebrations of the new year. In maths, we have been looking at numbers that add to 10 using hoops, fingers and counters. We have also been getting ready for our new topic, 'People who help', by sharing what we already know and what we would like to learn. A fantastic first week, well done Class 1!

Class 2 – This week, we have started to write recounts in English. We have looked at past tense, writing in first person and different ways to start our sentences. In maths, year 1 have been focussing on numbers 11-20, making sure that they understand the place value and how to write them correctly. Year 2 have been working on understanding multiplication and drawing pictures to help them solve problems. In art, we have started our topic on clay. We were able to play with the clay and experiment with different techniques to make shapes. In RE, we started learning about Judaism and found out about the Jewish place of worship. Well done Class 2, a busy first week back!

Class 3 – This week, in Class 3, we have been learning how to tell the time in maths as well as learning how many days are in each month. In English, we have explored the features of non-chronological reports and recapped how to use subordinate clauses and apostrophes for possession. In RE, our topic this term is learning what Muslims believe in and we have learnt who Allah is. In pairs, we used a map of the United Kingdom to locate countries, counties and cities in geography. Overall a very productive first week back, well done Class 3!

Class 4 – This week, in Class 4, we have had a fantastic first week back! In maths, we have been looking at the conversion between meters and kilometres and learning to calculate the perimeter of shapes. In English, we have started a new unit on non-chronological reports and identified features within an information text. In geography, we used atlases to find geographical features of the United Kingdom and in science, we have begun to look at how sound is produced. Overall, class 4 have been superb, well done!

Class 5 – This week, in Class 5, we have had a busy start to the term! We have been writing non-chronological reports in English studying a fantastic book called 'Monsterology'. In our RE lessons, we have started to research Judaism and in Science, we have been studying the human circulatory system. Well done Class 5, a brilliant first week back!

59 Club

We are now at the beginning of a new calendar year for our 59 club so it is a great time to join the scheme, not only does it raise vital funds for the school but you could win a cash prize too. If you would like to join please email us at richardcrossepta2@gmail.com for more details. Our last two winners for 2018 are as follows:

Week No.	Date Drawn	Bonus Ball	Winner	Prize
51	22/12/2018	31	Sam Strawson	£30
52	28/07/2018	10	Rachel Robinson	£20



Our first winner for the new calendar year is Alison Howard with winning number 6. Congratulations to all our winners. Good luck all for Saturdays draw!

PTA Information

We hope you all enjoyed the Christmas break! We are holding our AGM on 17th January where we will be looking for new trustees for Chair, Treasurer and Secretary roles. We have one interested party for the role of Treasurer but require some volunteers for the chair and secretary roles. These roles can be shared amongst a number of people so please consider volunteering your time to support the schools. The departing Trustees will be on hand to help ensure a smooth transition. If you would like to get involved, please contact Martin Sleight or email us at Richardcrossepta2@gmail.com.

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

January	
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
March	
Thursday 7 th	World Book Day – details to follow
Friday 15 th	Red Nose Day – details to follow
April	
Tuesday 2 nd	Years 3 & 4 Production – details to follow
Tuesday 9 th	Years 3 & 4 residential to Whitemoor Lakes (return 10.04.19)
Tuesday 9 th	Choir Concert (Garrick) – details to follow
Thursday 11 th	Informal Parents Evening – details to follow
Friday 12 th	Children and staff break up for Easter – 3.30pm
Monday 29 th	Children and staff return to school for Summer term

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

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