



<u>Week Commencing Monday 19th November 2018</u>		School Dinner Menu: Week 1
Monday 19th November	8.00am Lunchtime 4.00 – 6.00pm	Year 6 trip to the Arboretum – letters sent home Year 6 Study Club Study Club for Year 6 Indoor Athletics at Robert Sutton – letters sent home
Tuesday 20th November	Lunchtime 3.30 – 4.30pm	CD Recording lunchtime clubs – Netball Club KS2, Football Club Y3 & 4, Lego Club KS1, Yoga Club KS2 Year 5 & 6 Football Club
Wednesday 21st November	8.00am 4.00 – 5.00pm	Year 6 Study Club Class 5 Swimming Academy Choir
Thursday 22nd November	8.00am 2.45pm 3.30 – 4.30pm	Year 6 Study Club Achievement Worship – All welcome! KS2 Drama Club
Friday 23rd November	Lunchtime	Non-uniform day in exchange for tombola prizes 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
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

Selected Children – Please return your Indoor Athletics slip by 19.11.18
Everyone – Please return your Christmas CD Order forms ASAP



Christmas CD Recording

Details have been sent home regarding our Christmas CD recording that will take place on Tuesday 20th November. CDs will be available to buy at the Christmas Fayre on Friday 30th November but will be sold on a first come first serve basis. If you are unable to attend the fayre or would like to reserve a CD, please complete the letter sent home and return to the office by Tuesday 20th November. Any slips handed in after this time will not be processed. Please enclose full payment with your order.

Children in Need

We would like to thank everyone who donated towards Children in Need. Whether you wore something spotty, donated cakes or came along to the cake sale it all helped towards our grand total of £236.30. Thank you for your continued support!



Non-Uniform Day

On Friday 23rd November, we will be holding a non-uniform day. In exchange for children wearing their own clothes, we are asking for a tombola prize for the up-coming Christmas Fayre.



Attendance

Well done to Year 6 for achieving the highest attendance in school with 100% for the week commencing Monday 5th November 2018.

The Small Schools Multi Academy Trust			Trust Attendance Target
Attendance for week commencing Monday 5th November 2018			97%
	St. Mary's	Richard Crosse	Howard
Reception	100.00	99.41	98.89
Year 1	96.00	94.29	91.44
Year 2	97.14	99.33	98.79
Year 3	96.67	97.89	95.11
Year 4	94.67	96.67	89.49
Year 5	95.56	98.00	97.22
Year 6	99.17	100.00	100.00
Whole School	97.19	97.93	95.06

School Uniform

We have a high number of lost property items in reception. If your child is missing any uniform, please come and take a look. Please make sure that all of your child's uniform is clearly labelled.

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 – Is it a bird? Is it a plane? ... No is it is the superheroes of Class 1! This week, we have started our first child chosen topic of Superheroes. We started the week by working together to create our HQ in the role-play area and have been busy drawing, describing and labelling superheroes. In Maths, we have started to use our number skills to answer simple addition sums. Well done Class 1!



Class 2 – This week, we have continued to write our information texts. We have chosen our own topics so that we can teach Miss Derry some new information! In maths, year 2 have started to count money in pounds and pence and recognise the different coins. Year 1 have finished their work on addition and subtraction. In history, we learnt lots about the history of our school from a very special visitor - Thank you Mrs Dawson. We were very excited to start practising our Christmas play. Another busy week, well done Class 2!

Class 3 – This week, in Class 3, we have been finding fractions of amounts in maths and the children have been using mathematical language to answer the questions. In English, we have enjoyed writing setting descriptions about Ancient Egypt. In science, we were able to investigate solids, liquids and gases by using practical equipment. We have discussed in detail the meaning of the Trinity in RE and we have explored similarities and differences between painters interpretations of when Jesus was baptised. A fun filled week, well done Class 3!

Class 4 – This week, in Class 4, we have continued our work on cultural stories in English and explored features we can use in our writing to create descriptions. In maths, we have looked at tenths as decimals and how we can round decimals with two decimal places. In RE, we have looked at the meaning of the Holy Trinity and created our own pictures to represent what this means. We have had great fun in history where we have written messages and maths questions using hieroglyphics. In science, we continued our learning on the three states of matter by completing investigations and explored how the properties of certain solids and liquids are different. We have had a very exciting week, well done Class 4!

Class 5 – This week in Class 5, we have been reading poetry and creating our own poems. In Maths, Year 5 have been reading and interpreting graphs and Year 6 have been learning to love all kinds of fractions: adding fractions, subtracting, multiplying and dividing them! In our RE lesson, we have researched the five Pillars of Islam. During our Science lesson, we have investigated forces. We also had a great time dressing up in something spotty and buying some cakes from the cake sale for Children in Need. A brilliant week, well done Class 5!

59 Club

Congratulations to Phil Burrows with winning number 53 drawn consecutively for two weeks in a row! Good Luck all for Saturdays draw.



PTA Information

Thank you to everyone who attended the PTA meeting on Wednesday. The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 27th November at 7.30am at The Royal Oak – all welcome!

On Friday 23rd November, we will be holding a non-uniform day in exchange for tombola prizes for our Christmas Fayre. Our Christmas Fayre is being held on Friday 30th November 2:30 - 4:30. If anyone would like a stall, please email richardcrossepta2@gmail.com with details. If you are able to support at any of these events either in the preparation or on the day, please do let the PTA know. Letters have gone out regarding our planned Christmas Panto trip for the children in December. Please return permission slips by Monday to ensure your child is able to attend. Next year's calendar dates will be confirmed pending a PTA committee election.

Our AGM is being held on 17th January where we will be looking for new trustees for Chair, Treasurer and Secretary roles. No persons have expressed an interest in these PTA roles to date. If none are received before the AGM then a contingency plan will be made to move funds going forward. 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)	
November	
<i>Monday 19th</i>	<i>Year 6 trip to the Arboretum – letters sent home</i>
<i>Tuesday 27th</i>	<i>Scholastic Book Fair in school until 3.12.18</i>
Friday 30 th	Christmas Fayre 2.30pm – details to follow
December	
Wednesday 5 th	Informal Parents Evening – details to follow
Sunday 9 th	Christingle – details to follow
Monday 10 th	Class 1 & 2's Christmas Production – 9am – details to follow
Tuesday 11 th	Flu Vaccinations – details to follow
Tuesday 11 th	Class 1 & 2's Christmas Production – 5pm – details to follow
<i>Wednesday 12th</i>	<i>KS2 trip to the pantomime – 1pm – letter sent home</i>
Friday 14 th	Christmas Jumper Day – details to follow
<i>Friday 14th</i>	<i>KS1 trip to the pantomime – 10am – letter sent home</i>
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 14th	Year 5 Bikeability – details to follow
Tuesday 15th	Year 5 Bikeability – details to follow
Tuesday 15th	Deadline for Reception applications for September 2019
Thursday 24th	KS2 Young Voices Concert – details sent home
February	
Friday 8th	Sleepover – details to follow
Wednesday 13th	Manchester Camerata – details to follow
Wednesday 13th	Parents Evening – details to follow
Friday 15th	Break up for February half term – 3.30pm
Monday 25th	Children and staff return to school

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

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