



<u>Week Commencing Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2018</u>		School Dinner Menu: Week 2
<b>Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November</b>	8.00am Lunchtime	Year 6 Study Club Study Club for Year 6
<b>Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Lunchtime  3.30 – 4.30pm	Scholastic Book Fair in school until 3.12.18 lunchtime clubs – Netball Club KS2, Football Club Y3 & 4, Lego Club KS1, Yoga Club KS2 Year 5 & 6 Football Club
<b>Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November</b>	8.00am  4.00 – 5.00pm	Year 6 Study Club No Swimming for Class 5 this week Academy Choir
<b>Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> November</b>	8.00am 2.45pm 3.30 – 4.30pm	Year 6 Study Club Achievement Worship – All welcome! KS2 Drama Club
<b>Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Lunchtime 2.30 – 4.30pm	Y5 & 6 Running Club – cancelled due to building work Christmas Fayre

#### 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

Choir Children – Please return your slip for the Festival of Christmas at Lichfield Cathedral  
Year 5 – Please return your Bikeability form to the office ASAP



#### Christmas CD Recording

The Christmas CD Recording went so well and the children loved it! Please see Class Dojo to see a video or take a look at our website to see some photos of the recording in action. Thank you for everyone who placed orders. If you did not place an order but would like a CD, there will be some available at the Christmas Fayre. These will be sold on a first come first served basis so make sure you get yours fast!

#### Christmas Fayre

On Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November, the PTA will be running their annual Christmas Fayre at school. This will take place from 2.30 – 4.30pm and is always a brilliant event! Parents are welcome to attend and take their children round. Please make sure you have booked your slot with Santa through the following link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F45A8AE22AAFA7-sign>. We look forward to seeing you there!

## Swimming

Due to the Friary having maintenance work, there will be no swimming for years 5 and 6 next week (28.11.18). This lesson will be moved to Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December. This will be the last swimming lesson before the Christmas break. When we return in January, Year 4 will begin their lessons – details will follow shortly.

## Achievements

For week commencing the 19<sup>th</sup> November 2018, the following children received Star of the Week in our Achievement Worship celebrating their achievements:



<b>Class 1</b>	Isobella Hiley	For working really hard in class and always having a positive attitude
<b>Class 2</b>	Belle Heathcote Noah Whiting	For brilliant reading! For a super effort in maths
<b>Class 3</b>	Isobel Smith	For progressing in maths
<b>Class 4</b>	Toby Pountney	For enthusiasm in reading
<b>Class 5</b>	Holly Stonehouse William Lovern	For outstanding writing in English and across the curriculum For perseverance and an amazing attitude to his work

## Outstanding Achievements

The following children have received outstanding achievement awards for scoring 60/60 on their big spelling test:

- Matis Levasseur-Hibbs
- Holly Mason
- Olivia Plover
- Lark Mincher



## Attendance

Well done to Year 5 for achieving the highest attendance in school with 99.00% for the week commencing Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2018.

The Small Schools Multi Academy Trust Attendance for week commencing Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> November 2018			Trust Attendance Target 97%
	St. Mary's	Richard Crosse	Howard
Reception	98.55	97.06	90.00
Year 1	100.00	92.86	96.92
Year 2	98.57	98.67	100.00
Year 3	80.00	95.79	94.00
Year 4	86.25	97.78	98.00
Year 5	98.18	99.00	100.00
Year 6	97.50	98.46	100.00
<b>Whole School</b>	<b>94.47</b>	<b>97.16</b>	<b>97.46</b>

## 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](http://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, Class 1 have continued on the theme of superheroes and have looked at closely at comic books. We have completed comic inspired writing and have been helping our heroes to answer maths problems. On Tuesday, we recorded our school Christmas CD. We had a great time and can't wait for you to see it! We have also been rehearsing hard for the school play and learning new songs. A brilliant week, well done Class 1!



**Class 2** – This week, we have had great fun performing our class song which was recorded for a Christmas CD - we felt like real pop stars! In Maths, Year 1 have been naming and sorting 3D shapes, they had great fun looking around the classroom for all the different shapes they could spot. Year 2 have continued their work on money, focusing on comparing different amounts. In English, we came to the end of our unit on information writing. Miss Derry was very proud of the information pieces we produced about the continents of the world. In Science, we have looked at the different habitats and what animals we might find in each habitat. We have had lots of fun practising our Nativity play. Another jam-packed week!

**Class 3** – This week, in Class 3, we have started to rewrite the story of the Egyptian Cinderella. We tried to include prepositional phrases and expanded noun phrases to make our writing exciting. In maths, we have been ordering numbers and using inverse operations to check if our answers are correct. In science, we investigated what happens to chocolate when it melts (so we made yummy chocolate rice crispy cakes). We also did some fabulous singing for the Christmas CD – Miss Hylton was very proud! Well done Class 3, another wonderful week!

**Class 4** – This week, in Class 4, we have written our own version of the Egyptian Cinderella story, ensuring we have included lots of features such as inverted commas and subordinate clauses. In maths, we have explored time and how to read time on analogue clocks to the nearest minute. In history, we learned how the River Nile was important to Ancient Egyptians and created a piece of writing to explain the different ways which it was used. In science, we have looked at how we can change states of matter and used thermometers to measure the temperature which chocolate melts. We had lots of fun making rice krispie cakes with the chocolate. Well done year 4!

**Class 5** – This week in Class 5, we have been studying WW1 poetry and writing our own poems. On Monday, as a school, we recorded our Christmas CD. In our Science lesson, we have been investigating forces; we have discussed which forces apply to certain situations. In Design and Technology, we have been learning about how circuits will help to power our fair ground rides. Another fun-filled week, well done Class 5!

### **59 Club**

Congratulations to Clare Crampton with winning number 32 drawn on Saturday. Good Luck all for Saturdays draw!



### **PTA Information**

Our next PTA meeting will take place on Tuesday 27th November at 7.30pm at The Royal Oak – all welcome!

Our Christmas Fayre is being held on Friday 30th November 2:30 - 4:30. Slots are now open to book your Santa visit, just use the following link to sign your child up for a visit to Santa. Book now to avoid disappointment! <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F45A8AE22AAFA7-sign>. You should all receive a flyer regarding our Christmas Fayre, the tombola stall is back by popular demand, we have the Child only zone where children can buy their mums and dads gift wrapped presents for under £5, we have a number of external stalls selling handmade items, children's crafts, games, Christmas CD, face painting and more. There are some great raffle prizes to be won including a festive hamper, day pass to Hoar Cross Hall, gel polish and a magnum of Prosecco so please do come along! 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.

You should have all received your children's Christmas card projects now. I'm sure you will agree the children have done a fantastic job with their designs. If you have any queries, please contact the office or contact myself or Martin on the PTA email address.

If you haven't already returned your slips for the Christmas Panto please contact the office by Monday latest as we will be confirming final numbers with the theatre and would hate for any children to miss out.

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. 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)**

<b>November</b>	
<b>Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Scholastic Book Fair in school until 3.12.18</b>
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Fayre 2.30pm – details to follow
<b>December</b>	
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Informal Parents Evening – details to follow
Sunday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Christingle – details to follow
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Class 1 & 2's Christmas Production – 9am – details to follow
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Flu Vaccinations – details to follow
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Class 1 & 2's Christmas Production – 5pm – details to follow
<b>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>KS2 trip to the pantomime – 1pm – letter sent home</b>
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Jumper Day – details to follow
<b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>KS1 trip to the pantomime – 10am – letter sent home</b>
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Dinner Day & Christmas parties (PM)
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Guitar Concert – details to follow
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Christmas service in church 9.30am
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Break up for Christmas – 3.30pm
<b>January</b>	
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Children and staff return to school for Spring term
<b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Year 5 Bikeability – letters sent home</b>
<b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Year 5 Bikeability – letters sent home</b>
<b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Deadline for Reception applications for September 2019</b>
<b>Thursday 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>KS2 Young Voices Concert – details sent home</b>
<b>February</b>	
<b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sleepover – details to follow</b>
<b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Manchester Camerata – details to follow</b>
<b>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Parents Evening – details to follow</b>
<b>Friday 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Break up for February half term – 3.30pm</b>
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Children and staff return to school</b>

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

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