

# ST KATHARINE'S CE SCHOOL

Friendship, Effort, Respect, & Honesty
Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2020
NEWSLETTER No. 9

Our Value This Term Is... Justice



## Dear Parents,

Welcome back and a Happy New Year, although that does already seem a long time ago. We have had a lovely week back at school with well rested and enthusiastic learners in all our classrooms.

Welcome especially to Mrs Freeman who has taken up her post in Hazel class and is with us 3 days a week Mon-Wed, working alongside Mrs Mackenzie who now works the remainder of the week. Welcome also to Violet in Year 2 who has joined us after a family move. Thank you to the children in Oak Class who have made her feel so welcome in her first week at St Katharine's.

We have lots of exciting events in the calendar and our Key Dates Planner will be with you early next week detailing the key events, that we already have sight of, between now and the end of the year. Please look out for the topic web that will be coming out for your child's class by the end of next week. This grid gives you a brief overview of the learning headlines for your child between now and Easter. It also helps you to support your child with optional homework projects linked to their learning in class should you wish to.

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Principal

#### **Parent Meeting Monday**

We have a parent meeting at 2:30pm on Monday (13<sup>th</sup>) in Sycamore Classroom for all the parents of children in **Oak** and **Sycamore** classes. We are looking to develop our curriculum and are trialling our new approach in these classrooms in the first instance. Please come along to find out more and learn about the reasons for this change.

#### **CAHMs meeting at Burbage Primary School**

We publicised a meeting at Burbage Primary School at the end of last term. We have teamed up with Burbage and Bedwyn schools to offer this session which is aimed at supporting parents when children become anxious and to help you to manage and develop your own responses to this. Please let Mrs Stagg know if you plan to come so that we can give Burbage an idea of numbers. Please see the attached flyer. The main details for the meeting are as follows:

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2020

1.00pm – 3.00pm Burbage Primary School Blackman's Lane, Burbage Marlborough. SN8 3TP

There is much talk about the mental health of our young people, sessions such as this help us to reflect on what is normal and to be expected and when to recognise when things have developed beyond 'normal' childhood worries. I really encourage you to take up this opportunity for a bit of parenting support.

Nut & Sesame Free School
We are a Nut and Sesame Free School.

Please note the addition of sesame in this paragraph. We have children in school with severe nut and sesame allergies. We are a 'nut/sesame free' school. This includes packed lunches, midmorning snacks, birthday treats etc.

Please be vigilant when packing food for your children to bring to school.

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

January	
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>	First Day of Term 3
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Oak & Sycamore class curriculum information session 2.30 – 3.15
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Deadline date for 2020 reception cohort admissions Yr6 to Bristol for Lego League competition
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 & 6 1st swimming session
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Oak Class Trip to Sevington Victorian School
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	CAHMs parent work shop at Burbage Primary 1-3pm
February	
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Candlemas Service at St Katharine's Church Choir singing
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> – 7 <sup>th</sup>	Mental Health Week
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	School Nurse height and weights – reception
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 & 6 Tag Rugby
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 & 6 Hockey
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of Term 3
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>	All Stars – Cricket roadshow KS1
March	
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> and Friday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Bikeability
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup>	World Book Day

Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Stagg's Tea Party in the hall – 2:30pm
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	KS2 SATs information evening 3.15 p.m. crèche available
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> and Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Dance Festival
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Performances by 'Stripes' Year 4 and 5 Details to follow KS1 SATs information evening 3.15 pm. crèche available
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 & 4 Handball Details to follow
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>	PTA Bunny Bop
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup>	Year 5 & 6 Swimming Gala Details to follow Oak Class to Ramsbury Estates Details to follow
April	
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	STEM Exhibition up in the school Hall
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	KS1 visit Great Bedwyn school to see The Shelburne Ensemble am
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Easter Service in Church at 9:30
	Reports home for KS1 & 2
	Last Day of Term 4

Remaining T D Days 2019/20 Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2020