



Term Dates Tuesday 4th September to Friday 21st December 2018
Half Term Holiday Monday 22nd October to Friday 26th October

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Nuts & Allergies - Nut Free School

At present there are a number of children in school with different types of allergies, some of whom have been prescribed with Epi Pens because they are at risk of anaphylaxis. Help us to reduce the risk of any of them having an allergic reaction in school by being careful with snacks and packed lunches. Please do not send packets of nuts or chocolate bars such as Snickers and avoid products such as peanut butter and Nutella in packed lunches. To celebrate a birthday, rather than sharing cake, you can send lollies or a small packet of sweets which can be taken home at the end of the day. Thank you for your help.

Water Bottles

Children are encouraged to bring a water bottle from home which is clearly labelled with their name and class. Please do not send drinks other than water in your child's bottle (no juice), to uphold School Food Standard guidelines. Bottles can be washed and re-filled throughout the day from the drinking water taps in school.



Dolce School Meals – Pre Orders & Direct Debit

Parents who pay for school meals by direct debit are automatically sent login details from Dolce for their website <http://www.live-kitchen.co.uk>

This allows parents to pre-order meals for their child/ren and keep track of what they are eating at school. If you do not pay for meals by direct debit but would like to be able to pre-order school meals, please call into the school office with an e-mail address which Dolce can use to send your login. If you would like to pay by direct debit an account can be set up online at <https://live-kitchen.co.uk/direct/>



Sports Kit

Please remember that Key Stage 2 pupils need to come to school in sports kit every Wednesday morning and bring their uniform for lessons in the afternoon. Outdoor kit is a grey sweatshirt and black jogging pants, which should not be worn for other lessons. Blue and grey sweatshirts and other items of uniform can be bought from the Tesco website: www.tesco.com/ues or through the school office.

Pupils in Reception to Year 6 must have their indoor PE kit in school everyday.

Fund Raising



Thank you to everyone who supported our non-uniform event. Jeans for Genes day raised £146.02 on Friday 21st September.

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Theatre Group Visit



On Wednesday 10th October (afternoon) M & M Productions will be coming to school to perform “Robin Hood” for all the classes in the main school (not Nursery). This is a professional production and will be expensive, so we would be very grateful for a donation of £2 per child towards the cost of the performance. Thank you.

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School Visits & Visitors

Tues 2nd October – Woodbank Pentecostal Church – Year 3
Tues 9th October – NISCU puppet show “Who Cares?” – Whole School
Wed 17th October – Pencil Museum – Year 6



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Medication

If your child is prescribed medication from a doctor, which needs to be given in school time, please bring it to the office and complete the necessary forms. For safety reasons please do not give medication to your child to hand in, or leave it with class teachers. Thank you.

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School Mass

On Thursday 11th October there will be a Mass in St Mary’s Church at 10 a.m. to celebrate the new academic year. Parents, family and friends are welcome to join us.



October Rosary

During this month groups of children will be joining parishioners on Thursday mornings to say the rosary. Everyone is welcome to join us at 9.35 a.m. in St Mary’s Church.

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Breast Cancer Awareness

Friday 19th October is 'Wear it Pink' day. Pupils and staff can come to school wearing something pink and are asked to bring a donation for the breast cancer charity.



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Flu Immunisation

On Monday 15th October the school nurse team will be in school to carry out flu immunisation (using nasal spray) for children in Reception and Years 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.



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Threadworms

Please encourage children to wash hands thoroughly after going to the toilet and also before eating. In school this is a regular routine but we would be very grateful if parents could reinforce the idea by making sure that children do the same at home. If you suspect that your child has threadworms, tablets are available on prescription from your G.P. or can be obtained for children, for free, under the Minor Ailment Scheme from local pharmacies.

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Open Evening appointment letters will be sent home soon