

**Term Dates**  
Half Term Holiday

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2019**  
Monday 18<sup>th</sup> to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2019

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### Lesson Times

Just a reminder that our doors open at 8.45 a.m. every day so that children can do morning tasks and be ready for registration and lessons to start promptly at 9 a.m. Children who regularly arrive late are missing important work, so we would be grateful if parents could try their best to have children at school on time every day. If you are going to be late please ring the school office on 01946 66356 or text us on 0734 0345 360 and don't forget to sign in and order school lunch on arrival.

### Life Bus

The Life Bus will be visiting school on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> & Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February. Each class will have a session on the bus to find out lots of facts about how the human body works and how to keep healthy. There will be a session for parents too, on Friday from 8.45 to 9.00 a.m.



### Parish News

The church has received very sad news that Fr Grugan, our Parish Priest, died at the weekend. His funeral will be private for his family, but there will be a memorial Mass for him at St Mary's in the near future. On Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February, Bishop Paul Swarbrick will be at the 10 a.m. parish Mass and on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February at 10 a.m. there will be Mass for Fr Grugan, followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 12 p.m. All are welcome.

### Early Birds Club

The club is available every morning, in the ICT suite, from 8.15 a.m. for children who need to be dropped off early. There is a charge of 30p per day (£1.50 per week) for the club. Children can have toast, cereal, yoghurts and juice. **Please remember that last orders for breakfast are at 8.30 a.m. and children need to use the KS 2 entrance to come into school for Early Birds.**

### Swimming



The Year 5 class are going swimming every Friday this term. Don't forget to bring swimming costumes, towels and armbands, if needed, and make sure that all items are clearly marked with your child's name. **Please tie back long hair and remove ear rings and other jewellery before school**  
Thank you.

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February will be a non uniform day.**

## CAR PARK

Please remember to walk and drive safely on the church car park as there has been a number of incidents reported in the last few weeks. We would also be grateful if cars are only parked in the designated spaces (please leave disabled bays for blue badge holders) and not in front of the school gate, no matter how busy or wet it is, as access is required at all times.



## Visits and Visitors

Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> February – Glasgow Science Museum – Years 4 & 5  
- Whitehaven Fire Station – Year 2

Mon 11<sup>th</sup> February – Anglo-Saxon Day – Year 4

Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> & Fri 15<sup>th</sup> – Life Bus – All classes

Fri 15<sup>th</sup> February – Chinese New Year (Kung Fu) workshops – Rec to Yr 6

Mon 25<sup>th</sup> February – Water Workshop – Year 5

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March – Tullie House 'Explorers' workshop – Year 1



## PE Kits

Please make sure that children have their own indoor PE clothes and pumps at school every day. Sharing items of kit between family members is not hygienic or practical due to the timetable for lessons. Thank you.



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## School Photographs

**The photographer will be in school on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February to take class group and Year 6 leaving photographs. Please ensure that children are in full school uniform, with black, white or grey socks/tights. Thanks**



## Robinwood Visit

Thank you to parents of Year 5 & 6 pupils who have paid in full and those who are following our payment plan for the residential visit to the Cross Lanes Centre, near Wrexham. The next payment of £50 is due on or before Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March.

## World Book Day

Our school will be celebrating **World Book Day** on **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March**. The children and staff are invited to dress up as a character from a favourite story, so this is just a little bit of advanced notice to give everyone a chance to get organised. More information about activities in school will be sent home nearer the day.

**School closes for half term  
on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February at 3.10 p.m.**

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