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Thursday, 6th September, 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

On behalf of myself and the school staff, we would like to welcome you all back after the Summer holidays. We also welcome Miss Wright, who will be teaching Year 5 this year, Miss Pantellaro and Miss Callaghan, who are joining our teaching assistant team and Miss Ellis and Miss Semproni, who have joined our welfare team.

At the beginning of the school year, we want to take the opportunity to remind you of some key expectations for the school year and ways that we can all work together.

Timings of the school day

At the start of the day, children line up on the school playground at **8:50am**: you will hear a bell. Teachers will come and collect them.

Please remember that we do not allow dogs in the school playground.

Playground gates are locked at **9:00am**. **If you arrive after 9:00am**, children must be taken to the school office, where they will be signed in and taken to their classroom.

School finishes at **3:00pm** and the children need to be collected from their classrooms. If your child is being picked up by another person, please inform the classteacher or the school office. It is recommended that, should siblings need to pick up or drop off, they should be at least 16 years old as it remains the parent's responsibility to ensure that children are safe when walking to and from school. Children in years 5 and 6 may walk home on their own - please inform the classteacher or school office.

BE REMINDED: Responsibility for the safety of your child/children when walking to and from school remains with those who have parental responsibility.

If you think you are going to be late picking up your child, please inform the school office. Children will be taken to wait at the school office. If you are later than 3:10pm, the children will be placed in After School Club for which **you will be charged**.

Before and After School Club

We run a Breakfast Club every morning from 8:00 – 8:50 am, providing children with breakfast and morning activities. The cost of this is £2 a day. Please contact the school office if you wish to use this club. They will provide you with a form to complete.

We also run an After School Club, Care4Kids, which provides snacks and after school activities from the end of the school day until 5:00pm. Places are available. If you wish to use this club, please contact the school office. The cost of this club is £5 an hour.

Attendance

We will continue to run our termly badges for good attendance. This was well-supported last year and we reached 95.9% last year. This was the best attendance we have had in the last few years.

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Thank you for your support with this. There is a table on the website that indicates which badge your child is on track to achieve. It can be found in the information section and the term dates page.

We know that children do get ill and so we ask that you keep us informed by phoning the absence line (**0161 921 1874**) first thing in the morning. We run a first day response system where we will call home if we have not received a message.

Holidays in term time are not permitted in accordance with government guidelines. If you need to take your child out of school for a period of time, please collect and complete the request form from the school office. This form should be returned to Mr Steadman via the school office

Dropping off and Picking Up

Parking is a problem around school and, where possible, we ask that you find alternative transport to driving. Where this is not possible, please consider parking a short walk away where there are no parking restrictions.

For the safety of the children and families who walk to school, please **do not park on the double yellow lines or the pavement outside the school gates**. There have been times when families with buggies/prams and/or young children and have had to walk in the road due to cars being parked on the pavement, causing a significant obstruction.

Please do not use the school car park for dropping off and picking up.

School Uniform

Please ensure your child comes to school in the correct uniform. School uniform can be ordered through Tesco. If you are unsure of how to do this, please speak to the office team who can provide advice and support.

School uniform: dark trousers or skirt, white shirt, navy blue jumper and **all-black** school shoes (no pattern or other colour). Tights need to be of one colour.

PE Kit: dark tracksuit bottoms or shorts, white T-shirt or polo shirt and trainers or black pumps.

Jewellery: watch, stud earrings are permitted (although these will have to be covered for PE and removed for swimming). Hair accessories need to be a small size and there should be no nail varnish or make-up worn.

Please speak to us if you are unclear about any aspects of school uniform.

Money

Dinner money, trip money and uniform money should be sent to school in an envelope with your child's name and class written on the front.

Lunchtime arrangements

If you wish your child to move from packed lunches to school dinners, **we require 2 weeks' notice** (unless your child is in receipt of free school meals). To find out if you are eligible for Free School Meals, please ring **0161 793 2500 and choose option 3**.

If your child has a packed lunch we ask that it is healthy – **no chocolate, fizzy drinks or sweets**. Examples of healthy packed lunches are displayed around the school hall.

Please remember that we have a **no nuts policy** in school.

Behaviour for Learning

At St Philip's we ensure that we promote positive attitudes to learning and we reward children's hard work in a number of ways – through class DOJOs, gold cards, certificates, prizes and stickers.

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The children know that they can earn rewards for their positive behaviour in the classroom and at playtimes, as well as for their positive attitudes to homework and reading. We have whole school rewards as well as class rewards.

We celebrate children's successes and achievements in our Celebration Worship **every Friday morning at 9:00 in the school hall**. We welcome you to come and join us for this as it is a great way to find out about what has been happening in school.

Key Dates and Events

This term there will be our Harvest celebration in church at 9:15am on Wednesday 3rd October. We will be doing a Harvest Collection and letter will be sent out nearer the time.

Parents' Evening will be held on Tuesday 16th October from 3:00 – 6:00. We encourage you to attend to find out how your child has settled in to school and what we can do together to support your child in their learning.

You can find out about the rest of the events this year via the school website and from the attached events calendar. **Please note when Parents Evenings and Performances are so that you can make arrangements to come along and, for parents of children in Year 6 please note SATs Week!**

Information about residential for Year 6 and Years 4/5 has been sent out and further information is to follow.

And finally...

At St Philip's, we are committed to working closely with you to support you and your children. Communication is vital. Staff are available for informal discussions at the beginning of the day. Myself, Mrs Brandreth and Mr Steadman will also be out on the playground at the beginning and end of the day. If you wish to have longer discussions, please make an appointment to see us.

Our safeguarding team is on hand to address any issues and concerns raised. We work closely with families and other agencies and we encourage you to come into school to discuss any issues with us personally or by phone.

Once again, thank you for your continued support of our school. We are proud to be play a part in the education of the children here at St Philip's and we are looking forward to this new school year!

Yours sincerely,

Miss Kinch



ST PHILIPS CE PRIMARY SCHOOL – 2018/19 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Date	Activity	Time
Wednesday , 5 th September, 2018	Term starts	
Wednesday, 3 rd October, 2018	Harvest Service in Church	9:15am
Tuesday, 16 th October, 2018	Parents' Evening	3:00–5:00
Friday, 19 th October, 2018 – Tuesday 30 th October, 2018	Half term holiday	
Friday, 30 th November, 2018	Non-Uniform Day (collection for the Fair)	
Thursday, 6 th December, 2018	Advent Service in Church	9:15am
Friday, 7 th December, 2018	Non-Uniform Day (collection for the Fair)	
Thursday, 13 th December, 2018	Christmas Fair	3:00-5:00
Tuesday, 18 th December, 2018	Nativity Performance in Church	9:15am
Wednesday, 19 th December, 2018	Christmas Dinner Day	
Friday, 21 st December, 2018	Christmas Party Day	
Friday, 21 st December, 2018 – Monday, 7 th January, 2019	Christmas Holiday	Finish at 1:30pm
Wednesday, 16 th January, 2019 – Friday, 18 th January, 2019	Years 4 and 5 Cumbria Residential	
Monday, 28 th January, 2019 – Friday, 1 st February, 2019	Y6 Lledr Hall Residential	
Thursday, 14 th February, 2019	Valentine Disco	After School
Thursday , 14 th February, 2019 – Monday, 25 th February, 2019	Half Term Holiday	
Thursday, 7 th March, 2019	World Book Day	
Friday, 15 th March, 2019	Comic Relief Day	
Friday, 29 th March, 2019 – Monday 15 th April, 2019	End of Term Holiday	Finish at 1:30pm
Tuesday, 16 th April, 2019 Wednesday, 17 th April, 2019	Parents' Evenings	3:00 – 6:00
Thursday, 18 th April, 2019	Easter Service in Church	9:15 am
Friday, 19 th April, 2019 – Tuesday, 23 rd April, 2019	Easter Weekend	Return to school on 23 rd
May	KS1 SATs Month	
Monday, 6 th May, 2019	Bank Holiday Monday	
Monday, 13 th May, 2019 – Friday, 17 th May, 2019	KS2 SATs Week	
Friday, 24 th May, 2019 – Tuesday , 4 th June, 2019	Half Term Holiday	
Friday, 21 st June, 2019	Non-Uniform Day (Collection for the Fair)	
Monday, 24 th June, 2019 – Friday, 28 th June, 2019	Health Week	
Friday, 28 th June, 2019	Sports Day	Times tbc
Thursday, 4 th July, 2019	Summer Community Fair	3:00-5:00
Monday, 8 th July, 2019	Reports sent home	
Wednesday, 10 th July, 2019	Meet The Teacher Meeting	2:30pm
Friday, 12 th July, 2019	Diversity Day	
Wednesday, 17 th July, 2019	KS2 End of Year Performance	3:30pm
Thursday, 18 th July, 2019		
Wednesday, 24 th July, 2019	Leavers Service in Church	9:15am
Wednesday, 24 th July, 2019	Finish for Summer	1:30pm

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