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Dear Parents

NEWSLETTER

Welcome back to all our families. We hope you had a wonderful Summer holiday. Also welcome to our new families and Mr Butt our Class 1 teacher. We hope you all quickly feel part of the St Mary's family.

Welcome Walk

We are having our Welcome Walk on the 9th September which is earlier than usual, to incorporate the official opening of the School and Community Garden. The garden looks amazing and is a real credit to the parents and children who have worked so hard to produce it. Monty Don and the film crew will be here to make the opening even more special. I hope you can join us for the official opening at 5.30pm. It will be a very exciting event for our school community. More details have been provided in the separate PTA invitation.

Reception Curriculum Evening

Mr Butt will be guiding the new reception parents through the class routines and main curriculum areas to be covered. Reception parents should come to the Curriculum Evening to be held in Class 1 on Thursday 22nd September at 7pm. The meeting will last about an hour and you will be able to speak to Mr Butt and myself informally afterwards.

Parents' Evening

The Parents' Evenings have been arranged for Tuesday 11th October from 3.30pm to 6.30pm and Thursday 13th October from 6.00pm to 8.30pm. More details will follow nearer the time.

New website

Thank you to Mr Hunt (Ava and James' Dad!) for developing our new website. It will be launched on Monday 12th September 2016. The new website will be easier to navigate and contemporary in design. The email address will remain the same.

Health Tuck Shop

As a healthy school, we encourage the children to make good food choices at break time. Therefore, please either provide the money for your child to buy healthy snacks from our tuck shop (*available to Years 1 to 6*) or a snack which is suitable. Children are asked not to eat crisps or biscuits from their lunchboxes at break time, these should be saved for lunch. Suitable snacks would be fruit, vegetables, bread sticks, rice cakes etc. Snacks and drinks are provided throughout the day for Reception so there is no need for them to bring anything.



Mrs Clark's Maternity Leave

Mrs Clark will start her maternity leave on Friday 30th September. We are all very excited for her and her husband, Wayne. Miss Kidd will be covering the maternity leave. Miss Kidd has taught Class 3 regularly in recent months and we were delighted when she was able to commit to the opportunity.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Woodward
Head Teacher

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Friday 9 th September	Opening of Community Garden	5.30pm	Garden
Friday 9 th September	Welcome Walk	6.00pm	Garden & Church
Thursday 22 nd September	Reception Curriculum Evening	7.00pm	Class 1
Tuesday 11 th October	Parents' Evening 1	3.30 to 6.30pm	School
Thursday 13 th October	Parents' Evening 2	6.00 to 8.30pm	School
Thursday 20 th October	Break up for Half Term	3.15pm	
Monday 31 st October	School Opens	9.00am	
Thursday 17 th November	Open Day – 2017 intake	10.30am to 12noon & 1.30pm to 3.00pm	School
Thursday 1 st December	Advent Service	9.15am	Church
Tuesday 6 th December	Whole School Pantomime trip	10.30am	Octagon Theatre
Thursday 8 th December	Advent Service	9.15am	Church
Monday 12 th December	Nativity Dress Rehearsal	2.00pm	Church
Tuesday 13 th December	Nativity & Carol Service	6.30pm	Church
Thursday 15 th December	Advent Service	9.15am	Church
Wednesday 21 st December	End of Term Service	9.15am	Church
Wednesday 21 st December	Break up for Christmas	3.15pm	
Monday 9 th January	School Opens	9.00am	