

# Newsletter



## Growing Together to Flourish in God's World

### Term time absences

A pupil's absence during term time can seriously disrupt their continuity of learning. Not only do they miss the teaching provided on the days they are away, they are also less prepared for subsequent lessons on their return. There is a consequent risk of underachievement.



We ask that all Parents/Carers make all routine appointments (dentist, opticians etc.) outside of school time or in school holidays – non emergency appointments will be recorded as unauthorised absence. Any other medical appointments (specialist appointments, hospital appointments, emergency GP appointments etc.) if medical evidence (appointment letter) is submitted will be recorded as an M – Medical appointment on your child's attendance record and does unfortunately **adversely** affect your child's attendance figure .

Parents / carers do not have a right to take their child out of school during term time. As a result family holidays should be planned during the school holidays. As of September 2013 the School Governors agreed that, in line with new law, no leave taken in term time would be authorised unless for a medical reason for the individual child (i.e. an operation) where medical evidence must be provided.



In accordance with the Local Authority Attendance Policy, school will class any absences that meet the criteria as unauthorised absences and will refer for a Fixed Penalty Notice fine.

**If your child will be absent for any reason that you know of in advance please put it in writing to the Governors - you will then be contacted with the decision as to whether the absence will be recorded as authorised or unauthorised.**

### Parents' Information Meeting



On **Monday 14th September** class teachers will be holding a short information session for parents and carers. The purpose of this meeting is to give you the opportunity to meet the class teacher, receive news about the curriculum and update your contact details. It is not to discuss individual children as we have separate Parents' Evenings when you will be able to make an appointment for that purpose.

The information session will be held on **Monday 14th September** at 3.30pm. Don't worry if you can't attend or if you have children in different year groups as all information will be sent home. We hope you will find this useful.

### Attendance

**The whole school attendance for WE 11/09/15 was 98.82% This week's attendance was above our target of 96.5%. WELL DONE. Keep aiming high everyone.**

**Every day counts.**

This week the attendance league table goes as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Mrs Snape's class (Blue) with 100% - FANTASTIC WELL DONE
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Miss Dunn (Lilac) with 99.69%
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Mrs Evans (Yellow) with 99.33%



Please ensure children are fully supervised in the playground before and after school. We cannot take responsibility for supervision before school opens. Thank you.

Please remember to ring school (0161 624 9885) each day before 9:30am with details of why your child is absent from school. If we do not hear from you the absence will be recorded as an unauthorised absence which could lead to a fixed penalty notice fine.



## Secondary Application Forms



Parent/Carers of children that will be going to secondary school in September 2015 need to complete a Local Authority application online. Your online application for secondary school are completed online. The deadline is **31st October 2015**.

You will receive an email before 12 noon on 1 March 2016.

Please remember to check the student update forms that are coming home with your child. Please

- Ensure we have full details
- Make any amendments
- Return the form to school **EVEN IF THERE ARE NO CHANGES**



It is vital that we have confirmation that your child's details are correct as this is the information we use in an emergency or they are unwell.

**Please check the update forms carefully and return them to your child's class teacher as soon as possible.**

Enclosed will also be the opt out form for the school to use images of children. Please read this form carefully and if you wish for your child NOT to appear in any images then please complete and return this form.

## Nursery and Reception class assembly

Apologies as the Nursery and Reception class assemblies booked in would clash with preparation for the nativity plays they will now be rescheduled for the new year. We will advise of dates as soon as possible.

## St Anne's Nursery Places

Do you know anyone that has a child that will be 4 years old between 1<sup>st</sup> Sept and 31<sup>st</sup> Aug who would like a place in our Nursery? 9am-12 Mon-Fri, Free 15 hours, Fully qualified experienced Teacher, Level 3 Teaching assistant, children make excellent progress and leave us Reception class ready and wrap around care from our wonderful St Anne's care club. Please call 0161 624 9885 for more details.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Event	Class	Time	Date/Days
Yr 6 Class Assembly			16/09/2015
Yr4/5 Lilac Class Manchester Museum class trip (Egyptian Worlds)			16/09/2015
Bags 2 School collection	All		09/10/2015
PTA AGM			06/10/2015
Bag2school	All		October TBC
Halloween Disco	All		16/10/2015
<u>Half term:</u>	All		<u>26/10/15-</u> <u>30/10/15</u>
Family Christmas Disco	All		21/11/2015
Race Night	All		November TBC
Christmas Markets	All		December TBC

The above dates and times and events may on occasion need to be amended. It is regrettable and we will aim to give you as much notice as possible in the event of any change.