



ANN EDWARDS CHURCH OF ENGLAND
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Do to others what you would want them to do to you- Matthew 7:12

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Newsletter No 1

Dear Parents and Carers

We have enjoyed a really successful first week back of the new academic year for Ann Edwards school. Thank you for your patience as we've tweaked drop off and pick-up arrangements here and there and generally got used to having so many people circulating around the school site again, bottlenecks and all. The children have settled in really well and we are really pleased to be welcoming so many new faces. If you are one of those new faces and are also either new to the village or the school community then please feel free to approach any member of staff who will either be happy to help you or, if they are unsure of the answer, direct you to someone who can.

Over the summer holidays, we have been busy reorganising the school and setting up exciting new spaces like: our new Performing Arts Room complete with stage and instruments; a new location for our Chilzone before- and after-school provision; two new additional learning spaces for interventions and group work (the Hub and the Pod); plus, our Safe Space sensory room to support our children's emotional and sensory needs. I know some of you were able to see some of these spaces during our Meet the Teacher event on Tuesday and others have appeared in Class Dojo pictures, but if not then you will be able to see them during our Open Evening taking place from 4.30 to 6.00 on Wednesday 13th October (open to all year groups and their families) or our EYFS Open Morning on the same date; details to follow.

Until then, you will receive further information about organisation, routines and the curriculum through our termly phase newsletters (EYFS/Key Stage 1, Lower Key Stage 2 and Upper Key Stage 2), the first of which will be making their way to you early next week. Mr Parker will also be sending home important information about registering for free school meals for those eligible for this support.

Attached with this letter is important correspondence from the Local Authority regarding the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic.

I thought it would be helpful to include the most up to date list of key dates for the remainder of this academic year to help your planning, even if it is simply to notify you of a date at this stage. You will notice that staff-run clubs will be starting in November and run through to February

Finally, please can I remind you that children should be in their classes ready for learning for 8.50, after which point they will be marked as late in the register. To allow you time to make your way off site calmly, the pedestrian gate will remain open until 8.55, however, once everyone is soon settled back into getting up and out to school, that is simply to allow exit from school rather than allowing for arrivals.

Here's wishing you all a restful weekend.

Yours Sincerely

Ian Moore
Headteacher



Key Dates

Yr5/6 pupil e-safety workshop	Monday 13 th September
Yr6 Residential – Beam House	20 th -24 th September
INSET Day – school closed	Friday 8 th October
Harvest Experience (Y1 am & Y2 pm in church)	Tuesday 12 th October
New EYFS Open Morning	Wednesday 13 th October
Open Evening: 4.30 – 6.00	Wednesday 13 th October
Harvest Festival (in church)	15 th October (invite EYFS/Y1 parents)
Last day of term	Friday 22 nd October (3.00pm finish)
Black History Month	1 st -31 st October
First day of term	Monday 1 st November
Parents’ Evenings telephone consultations	2 nd & 4 th November
Wear Something Bright for Firework Night	5 th November (not Charity event)
Individual Tempest Photos	Monday 8 th November
Staff-run clubs begin (November to February)	Monday 8 th November
Remembrance Sunday (children at Cross)	Sunday 14 th November
Children In-Need	Friday 19 th November
Anti-Bullying Week	15 th -19 th November
iSing Pop! workshops	22 nd -24 th November
iSing Pop! Concert (church)	Wednesday 1 st December (KS1 pm and KS2 evening)
PTA Christmas Fayre	Thursday 2 nd December
Prayer Space Week	wc 6 th December
Christmas Jumper Day and Dinner	Wednesday 15 th December
Church Christmas Service	Thursday 16 th December 9.30am
Last day of term	Friday 17 th December (1.30pm finish)
INSET Day – school closed	Tuesday 4 th January
First day of term	Wednesday 5 th January
Young Voices concert (Birmingham)	Thursday 27 th January
Heart Start Week	14 th -18 th February including skipping workshops 17 th / 18 th February
Last day of term	Friday 18 th February (3pm finish)
Half term	21 st February – 25 th February
World Book Day	Thursday 3 rd March
Parents’ Evening	8 th March and 10 th March
Sports Relief/Comic Relief	Friday 18 th March
Class Photos	Monday 21 st March
YR5/6 Easter Experience	Tuesday 29 th March
Prayer Spaces in Class	Monday 4 th April
Yr 5 Cycling Proficiency	4 th April-8 th April – 25 th -29 th April
Easter Church Service	Wednesday 6 th April 9.30am
Last day of term	8 th April (1.30pm finish)
INSET Day – school closed	Monday 25 th April
First day of term	Tuesday 26 th April
Art Week	26 th – 19 th April
Bank Holiday	Monday 2 nd May
Yr 4 Braeside residential	4 th -6 th May
Queen’s Platinum Jubilee Celebrations	Friday 27 th May
Last day of term	Friday 27 th May (3pm finish)
Half Term	30 th May – 1 st May (3 days)
First day of term	Monday 6 th June
EYFS New parents meeting	Wednesday 15 th June
Sports Day	Wednesday 6 th July
12 th and 14 th July	Yr6 performances to parents
Last day of term	Friday 22 nd July (1.30pm finish)

