



ST BEDE'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

9th Sept 2016

**We would like to welcome children back to the new Autumn term.
We hope everyone had a wonderful summer holiday and are
refreshed ready for the new school year.**

Annual indemnity forms 2016-17

If you haven't already done so please complete and return the set of annual forms your child has brought home as soon as possible. It is vital we have up to date emergency and medical information for each child. The forms are a combination of single and double sided, please ensure **ALL sections** are completed. If you have siblings in school we **MUST have one form per child.**

A gentle reminder of our school uniform policy. Long hair must be tied up and haircuts that are suitable for school (no shavings), no ear rings, jewellery or nail varnish. Sensible school shoes must be worn, trainers are not suitable footwear and cannot be worn in school or be brought in for break times. School bags are to be the school book bags only (our cloakrooms are not able to accommodate backpacks).



Football and football boots are NOT to be brought into school. Footballs are provided by school and are suitable for all children. Thank you for your cooperation.

Afternoon snacks for children in Years 3 - 6 that are brought in from home **MUST** be fruit based. Chocolate, crisps, nuts and other sweet snacks are not permitted. Children can bring in their own water bottle for use in class, but must only be filled with water.



Is your child starting school in September 2017?

Children born between 1st September 2012 and 31 August 2013 are eligible to start school in Reception in September 2017. You can start applying for your child's place from Monday 12th Sept through the local authority. The brochure is online and

Information is available from the Darlington Borough Council

<http://www.darlington.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-years/admissions/starting-primary-education/>

If you have no internet access please contact the admissions department on Tel: 406333 and one will be posted out to you. Deadlines for Reception applications are 17th January 2017.

We are holding an Open Day on Wednesday 19th October from 1.30pm-2.30pm. An advisor from Darlington Borough Council Admissions Department will be available to discuss the application process. We would urge you to attend if your child is due to start school in Sept to ensure advice regarding the current procedure is given. Please pass this information on to anyone who has children ready to start school September 2017.



Friends of St Bede's

Thank you to the Friends of St Bede's who have purchased play equipment and storage to be used outside. You may have seen our new adventure trail, sand pit and picnic benches. Hopefully your child will have had the opportunity to use it already.

The FOS will be sending out a newsletter shortly with details of upcoming fundraising events this term.

Thank you all for your continued support.

Dates for Your Diary 2016-17

Parents are invited to your child's class liturgy.

Further information will follow regarding events closer to the time.

12 th Sept	3.30-4pm	Kingswood information evening
19 th Sept	2.30-3pm	Year 1 Meet the Teacher
20 th Sept	2.30-3pm	Year 1/2 Meet the Teacher
	2.30-3pm	Year 2 Meet the Teacher
22 nd Sept	2.30-3pm	Class 3 Meet the Teacher
23 rd Sept	10.45am	Welcome Mass
	2.30-3pm	Class 5 Meet the Teacher
26 th Sept	2.30pm-3pm	Class 4 Meet the Teacher
27 th Sept		Class photographs
	2.30-3pm	Class 6 Meet the Teacher
28 th Sept	2.30-3pm	Rec A Meet the Teacher - Hedgehogs
29 th Sept	2.30-3pm	Rec B Meet the Teacher - Owls
30 th Sept	AM	MacMillan Coffee Morning
5 th Oct	All day	Nursery AM Meet the Teacher
6 th Oct	All day	Nursery PM Meet the Teacher
11 th Oct	2.45pm	Reception Classes and Year 6 – Class Liturgy
13 th Oct	2.45pm	Class 1 Liturgy
18 th Oct	2.45pm	Class 1/2 Liturgy
19 th Oct	1.30-2.30pm	Reception Open Afternoon – for Sept 2017 new starters
20 th Oct	2.45pm	Class 2 Liturgy
21 st Oct	2.45pm	Class 3 Liturgy
21 st Oct		Half term

31 st Oct		Return to school
3 rd Nov	2.45pm	Class 4 Liturgy
4 th Nov	2.45pm	Class 5 Liturgy
30 th Nov	3-6pm	Parent's Evening
1 st Dec	3-6pm	Parent's Evening
5 th Dec		Christmas Jumper Day / Christmas Lunch
6 th Dec	9.30am	Key Stage 1 Christmas Performance
	2pm	Class 3/4 Christmas Performance
7 th Dec	9.30am	Class 3/4 Christmas Performance
	2pm	Key Stage 1 Christmas Performance
8 th Dec	9.30am	EYFS Christmas Performance
	2pm	Class 5/6 Christmas Performance
9 th Dec	9.30am	Class 5/6 Christmas Performance
	1.30pm	EYFS Christmas Performance
12 th Dec	PM	Key Stage 1 Christmas Party
13 th Dec	PM	Class 3/4 Christmas Party
14 th Dec	PM	All EYFS Christmas Party
15 th Dec	PM	Class 5/6 Christmas Party
16 th Dec	10.45am	Christmas Mass