

St. Herbert's RC Primary School

Autumn Term

8th September 2022



Dear Children, Parents and Guardians,

The children have settled in well, and look so smart - a huge thank you, and a reminder that spare jumpers, ties etc are available from Mrs Collins. Many families have donated spare uniform, some of which has rarely been worn - the children need to slow down growing!! :)

Nuts

We have several children in our school who have allergies, some of which are nut allergies; please can I ask that no nuts are brought into school in packed lunches etc, and we ensure our school remains a nut-free area to ensure all our children are protected.

Dogs

Please do not bring any dogs (including puppies being carried) onto school premises (playgrounds, car park etc); we are only insured for our school dog to be on school grounds, and this policy has always been in place to keep children safe and relaxed.

Pupil Attendance

A quick reminder that if your child is going to be absent from school, it is a legal requirement to contact school as soon as possible to explain any absences. We thank you for your support in this area.

St. Herbert's RC Primary School – Job Vacancies

Would you like to contribute to moving our school forward on its mission in providing the best for our children? We are currently looking to employ more lunch time supervisors. This is an exciting opportunity to contribute to our staff team and help keep dinner times safe and fun for all our children. Your working hours would be 11:30am – 1:00pm; the main duty of the role is the supervision of children during that time. For more information please email; enquiries@stherberts.education or contact the school office.

Fundraising:

Macmillan Coffee Morning

This year our Macmillan Coffee Morning will be held on the **Friday 30th September**. We have continued to support Macmillan Cancer charity throughout the pandemic, by producing 'zoom' performances, and we are so pleased that this year we can return face-to-face. To ensure we can keep our audience comfortable and we keep to fire regulations, we are splitting our morning into two sessions, one for EY and KS1 parents **9:15-9:45am** and one for our Lower Key Stage 2 (Yr 3 & 4) and Upper Key Stage 2 parents (Yr 5 & 6) **10:00-10:30am**. If you have children in both performances, you are welcome to stay all morning; by splitting into two performances, there will be some parents who can leave early/join later, keeping numbers in the audience manageable. We will be asking for donations of cakes (bought only please) to be brought into school on the 29th September.

Harvest Assembly

Our Harvest Assembly will be held on **Tuesday 18th October**; this is an assembly that we share with the grandparents of the children, and we celebrate how lucky we are to have food readily available in this country. However, this year we are very aware that many families are struggling in our locality, and therefore our donations will be shared equally with local charities and our school families from our school food bank. We will be very grateful for any donations of tinned/dry goods (not fresh food please), and will be holding a non-uniform day on the Friday 14th October, where the children wear their 'home' clothes in lieu of a tin/packet etc. Thank you for your support with our fundraising, particularly at this time.

Christmas

This will be the first year we can get back to some normality (hopefully!). Since 2019, we now have an extra class of children in KS2, therefore we have decided to split the 'productions' for KS2 into UKS2 (Yr 5 & 6 pupils) and LKS2 (Y 3 & 4 pupils). LKS2 children will produce a carol service (as in previous years) and UKS2 children are going to produce a show (title TBC!). EY and KS1 will produce the nativities, as they did last year.

Dates for your diaries:

26th September - Tempest photographer in school (more details to follow)

29th September - donations of cakes please!

30th September - Macmillan coffee morning

14th October - Non-uniform day: donations for Harvest Assembly please!

18th October - Harvest Assembly: Grandparents are invited.

18th October - Yr 2 SATS Parents' meeting Time 8:45am

19th October - Yr 6 SATs Parents' meeting Time 8:45am

24th-28th October - HALF TERM

2nd November - Parent's Evening

1st December - UKS2 show 1:30pm **OR** 7pm performances (2 tickets per family for one performance)

13th December - EY Nativity 09:30am (2 tickets per family)

14th December KS1 Nativity 1:30pm **OR** 15th December 9:30am (2 tickets per family for one performance)

16th December - Christmas Lunch

19th December - LKS2 Carol service 6:30pm

20th December - Christmas Pupil Party Afternoon

21st December - School Christmas Mass at Church 10:00am

Finish for Christmas Holidays 21st December at 1:30pm.

Kind Regards

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