

Diary Dates 2016–2017

Thursday 20th October 2016	Children break up for half term (School Reports out)
Friday 21st October 2016	Teacher Training Day (School closed to children)
Monday 31st October 2016	Teacher Training Day (School closed to children)
Tuesday 1st November 2016	School Opens 8.45am
Tuesday 1st November 2016	All photograph orders to be in the school office
Wednesday 2nd November 2016	Parents Evening
Thursday 17th November 2016	Flu Vaccinations for Years 1,2,3
Thursday 8th December 2016	Carol Service at St Augustines
Friday 9th December 2016	School Christmas Dinner
Wednesday 14th December 2016	Academy Christmas Fayre
Wednesday 14th December 2016	Year 1 children go on a Santa Hunt
Thursday 15th December 2016	Nursery and Reception go on a Santa Hunt
Friday 16th December 2016	Christmas Jumper Day
Friday 16th December 2016	Children break up for the Christmas Holidays

Breakfast Club

We still have places available in Breakfast Club. If you are in receipt of Pupil Premium funding this is free to your Child—please see a member of staff for more details. Breakfast Club starts at 8.00am in the morning and the entrance is through the Nursery gate.



Parents Evening

Children will be bringing home their half termly report on Thursday 20th October 2016.
Parents Evening will be held on Wednesday 2nd November 2016.
A letter will be sent home shortly for you to choose your preferred time.
Thank you for your continued support.



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ROAR Challenge



This half term we have re-launched our ROAR (Raising Our Attainment in Reading).

The children have been very excited about reading at home and collecting prizes on the way. All of the children who have managed to read at least 3 times a week this half term will be invited to our Halloween themed ROAR event next week. Keep up the fabulous reading and remember we expect the children to read at least 3 times a week.

Macmillan Coffee Afternoon



A big thank you to all those who baked and brought cakes to our Macmillan Coffee afternoon; we were overwhelmed with your generosity.

We raised a massive £157.63!

School Meals

All order forms for week commencing Tuesday 1st November 2016 need to be returned to the school office by Monday 17th October 2016 at the latest.

If we do not receive an order form for your child you will have to provide a packed lunch for that week.

Foundation Stage Learning

In Foundation Stage this term, we have been looking at the author Roald Dahl and learning about books and fairytales. We have been writing about fairytale houses. In Maths, we have been learning our numbers to 10 and beyond. Next term, we will be focusing on Celebrations. We will be looking at how we celebrate with our families and the traditions of other cultures. We will be writing cards and learning about shapes and measures in Maths.

Our next value will be accepting consequences and we will be talking about road safety.

KS2 Year 3/4 Learning

This half term, Years 3 & 4 have been learning all about "Water and the Weather". We have been collecting our own weather data each day and have written a letter to Keeley Donovan, a weather presenter from BBC Look North, to ask her about her role.

In Science, we have learnt about solids, liquids and gases. Our Academy value has been Lawfulness. We have taken part in a class debate based on the story of The Rainbow Bird.

Next half term, Year 3 and Year 4 will be continuing our water theme with our topic "Rivers". We will be learning about the water cycle, investigating how rivers are formed and their locations.

In Science, we will be learning about living things and their habitats. Our academy value next half term will be "The Rule of Law". We will be focusing on accepting consequences for our actions.

KS1 Learning

Key Stage One have had a great and busy first half term. In Maths, we have been exploring shape, space and measures. We have worked hard on developing our deeper learning through explaining and justifying our responses.

In writing, we have enjoyed using "Talk for Writing" techniques to help us retell the story of Burglar Bill, linking to our school value of Lawfulness.

We had a fabulous afternoon at "Crash Bang Wallop" where we sang, danced and played our very own hand made instruments.

Next half term, our topic will be "Under the Sea". We are very excited about this topic and cannot wait to get stuck in.

In writing we will be using "Tiddler" and "The Rainbow Fish" as our stimuli, and we will create some great art work using these books.

In Maths we will begin our learning on number and we will focus on the number system.

KS2 Year 5/6 Learning

This half term, our topic has been mountains and volcanoes. The children have learnt about how/why a volcano erupts, the different types of mountains and how they are formed. In Literacy the children have been studying "The True Story of the Three Little Pigs", considering characters and settings. Year 5 have been developing their knowledge of measures, particularly time, in maths, whilst Year 6 have been consolidating and improving their place value and calculation skills. They have also had some super science lessons which have focused on materials. Our British Value this half term has been "Lawfulness" and the children particularly enjoyed holding a classroom court based on the story of the Rainbow Bird.

Next half term, our topic will be China and the children will be studying Ancient China as well as developing Mapping skills. They will also be preparing and tasting Chinese dishes and creating their own willow pattern plates. During literacy lessons, the children will be reading and writing stories from other cultures. In science, they will be learning about living things and habitats, whilst in maths Year 6 will be developing their multiplication, division and fractions skills and Year 5 will be learning new place value and calculation skills. Our British value for next half term is "Accepting Consequences" and this will be discussed in assemblies as well as in PSHE lessons.