

# What's on?

## Dates for your diary

Please do look at these dates below and add them to your diary.

### **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 3:30pm to 4:15pm Open classrooms**

After school on Tuesday of next week, all of our classrooms will be open for parents /carers / grandparents to drop in and have a look around. This is an opportunity for children to show you where they sit, where they put their bags etc.

At the end of this week you will receive a letter from your child's class teacher. The letter will contain lots of information about your child's year group and the learning that will be covered over the year. It is anticipated that these letters will answer the majority of questions you may have about the day-to-day practicalities for the year ahead. However, teachers will be available in classrooms from 3:30pm until 4:15pm for informal conversation and to answer questions about the school day, classroom routines and expectations.

### **Lower school sports**

Owing to the poor weather at the end of the last academic year, we postponed our lower school sports event. Weather permitting, the sports event, for children who are now in Years 1, 2, 3 and 4, will take place on the morning of Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September (9:15am to 11:15am). Parents are welcome to come and watch their children at this event.

### **Harvest**

We will be celebrating Harvest during the week of 25<sup>th</sup> September, inviting children to bring gifts into school on 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> September. As we have done in previous years we will be supporting the work of Besom. Besom would really welcome donations of non-perishable food such as tinned/packet meals, tinned tuna/salmon/mackerel, tinned vegetables, pasta, rice, noodles, pasta sauces, soup, cereals, tea, coffee, squash, juice, long-life milk, biscuits, jams and packet deserts. They also like to include toiletries in their food parcels such as shower gel, deodorants, shampoo and toothpaste.

### **Parents' evenings**

Parents' Evenings will take place before half-term (Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October and Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October). The Year 6 classes will not have Parents Evening on 12<sup>th</sup> October as the staff will all be at Quinta, their second parents' evening will therefore take place on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. Children in our Early Years will have 'Focus Weeks' and so will not have Parents' Evenings in the autumn. Parents' Evenings provide an opportunity for you to talk to your child's class teacher about your child and to ask questions relating specifically to their learning, or their school experience. Booking for Parents' Evenings will open early in October.

## Extra-curricular activities

Tomorrow, a letter will be sent home with children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 about Choir. Choir will be starting up again on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September.

After school football will start again on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September, details of how to book are attached to the email.

Jazz Dance will start again on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September, for children in Years 1 – 6, details of how to book are attached to the email.

On Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September, Zumba is starting for children in Years 1, 2 and 3. If you want to find out more about this class, please email Katie on [katieamiri@gmail.com](mailto:katieamiri@gmail.com)



## Times Tables Rock Stars

Children will be bringing home updated log-in details for this popular and fun resource that they can use at home to help them learn their Times Tables. Look out for the log-in details in their book bags.

## Hot weather

Please make sure that all children have a hat and a water bottle in school. We recommend applying long lasting sun cream to your children before the start of the school day. Please also make sure that all jumpers/cardigans are named so that when they get taken off they can be returned to your child.

## School Lunches

We are delighted that the School Lunch Company has introduced a new autumn/winter menu for this term. It is wonderful to see children trying (and enjoying) new things. Some children however have found that the choice they have made this week is not one they want to make again! Please do ask your child what they have enjoyed eating and what they have not. We do make every effort to ensure that all children are able to eat something that they enjoy but as all meals are cooked to order, this can prove a real challenge for the kitchen team.

Thank you to all our new families for bearing with us as we get all our new children on to the system. We will be sending home log in details for ParentPay tomorrow. Meals for next week will need to be ordered by midnight tomorrow evening. Once you have your log in details, if you experience any problems accessing the site, or ordering meals, please do contact the school office.

All children in Early Years, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a Free School Meal. All other meals need to be paid for when they are booked, unless you are entitled to benefits related Free School Meals.