



St. Chad's Catholic Primary School, Sedgley.

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5th January 2018

Dear Parents / Carers

Congratulations to our Gold Star Children this week who are:

Reception: Sofia for fantastic progress in her reading and writing.

Y1: Ashleigh for excellent progress in reading and writing.

Y2: Oliver for always being a helpful and hardworking member of the class.

Y3: Savannah for fantastic role play in English this week.

Y4: Seth for continuing his super positive attitude into the new term-his work is really stunning!!

Y5: Rogelio for his super working attitude.

Y6: Megan for super effort and a huge improvement in her last reading test.

Happy New Year from all the staff: we hope that you all had a great Christmas and that 2018 will bring health, happiness and joy.

Applications for Reception 2018: please remember (or remind your friends) that you must apply online to the Local Authority for a place in Reception for September 2018 – we have an extra form in school for additional information, but this is not an actual application. Closing date for all applications is January 15th 2018. **To be considered as a Catholic child, proof of baptism must be provided.**

100% Attendance: congratulations to the 64 children who had 100% attendance for the autumn term.

School uniform: we have a few children whose hair styles or shoes are not suitable for school. The school uniform requirements can be found here: <http://www.st-chads.dudley.sch.uk/uniform.htm>

Free School Meals: as this is the time of the year when many people review their finances, can I remind you that your child might be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit

Children currently in Reception, Y1 and Y2 get Universal Free School Meals, which need no application. However if you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals please apply as the school will receive extra funding to support your child if you are eligible. Apply online at:

<http://www.dudley.gov.uk/resident/your-council/council-tax-and-benefits/benefits/free-school-meals> or contact the free school meals team on 01384 814988.

Easy Fund Raising: are you booking next summer's holiday? Or do you shop online at Sainsbury's, Asda, Tesco, Amazon, Groupon, Booking.com, Ebay, Debenhams, Currys etc? Well if you do, you can help raise money for the school. Your shopping will cost no more, but a percentage will be received by school. **"Help out when you check out"** by joining Easy Fund Raising at <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stchadspsdudley/>

Dates for your diary: has also been sent out today.

Second hand uniform sale: will be held after school, this Thursday, 11th January.

Enjoy your week.

S. M. Mason.

Dates for your Diary Spring 2018.

JANUARY

School closed for staff training

Tuesday 2nd January

School opens for children

Wednesday 3rd January

FEBRUARY

Y5 assembly

Friday 2nd February 2.40pm

Y2 Parents meeting: end of year assessment

Thursday 8 February 3.30pm

Y6 Parents meeting: end of year assessment

Tuesday 13 February 3.30pm

Ash Wednesday assembly (whole school)

Wednesday 14th February 2.30pm

Break up for half term

Thursday 15th February 3.15pm

Half Term

February 19th - 23rd

Staff training day

Monday 26th February

School opens for children

Tuesday 27th February

Y5 and Y6 parents meetings*

Wednesday 28th February 1pm -6.30pm

MARCH

Y3 and Y4 parents meetings*

Thursday 1st March 1pm -6.30pm

Y6 assembly

Friday 2nd March 2.40pm

Y1 and Y2 parents meetings*

Wednesday 7th March 1pm -6.30pm

Reception class parents meetings

Thursday 8th March 1pm -6.30pm

Reception class Mothers' Day assembly

Friday 9th March at 2.40pm

Mini assemblies for Holy Week

Y3 Monday 26th March 2.50pm

Y4 Tuesday 27th March 2.50pm

Y5 Wednesday 28th March 2.50pm

Y6 Thursday 29th March 9.10am

Easter Assembly (1st part Y6)

Thursday 29th March 1.30pm

Break up for Easter

Return to school

Monday 16th April

* Parent meetings, with longer appointments than in the autumn and with teachers and parents viewing the child's work together.
Appointment can be made nearer the time.