



3RD OCTOBER 2014

AUTUMN 1, WEEK 4

Special points of interest:

- Vigilance
- Parent Consultation
- Parent Governor vacancies
- Harvest Festival

Dates for your diary:

October 14th
School
Photographs

October 16th
KS2 Harvest
Festival

Extra Vigilance Required

You will have read recently in the local press and via our letters home that a white van has been seen around local schools with the occupiers trying to entice children into the vehicle. If your child walks home without parental supervision, please encourage them to walk with a friend where possible and not to approach anyone they don't know.

Thank you to the parents who highlighted to us that on Friday a child had come into the school gates and then run back out again without telling anyone. Thankfully there was a perfectly innocent explanation and no harm was done. The situation was quickly resolved and we have spoken to the child in question and raised our concerns with the parent.

Parent Governors

We currently have vacancies for 2 parent governors.

A school governor is a position of high confidentiality, committed to the long term strategic development of the school. Parent governors need to take a global view of stakeholders and meetings are solely for that purpose and not as a forum to air individual issues. Governors are asked to undertake an enhanced CRB police check.

A letter will be sent early next week giving details of how to apply.

Harvest Festival

This year we will be supporting Forum Housing Association with our Harvest Festival Donations. Forum Housing support young people between the ages of 16 and 25 who are homeless or on very low incomes. This year they are hoping to give food parcels, a warm meal and general health advice to as many of their clients as possible. Forum Housing will be coming in to talk to the children about their work next week. In order to support them we will be collecting donations of tinned / dried goods from next week through to the 15th October. Donations should be sent into school with your child. Your support is greatly appreciated.

The children will be holding a Harvest Festival assembly on Thursday 16th October at 2.30pm and parents of Year 4 /5 are invited to attend.

Parent Consultation

Consultation on how you receive information on your child's progress is now closed. Thank you to those parents who contributed. We will review the comments and report back in due course.

Holiday dates for this year

Autumn Term

Inset Day 1	Monday 1st September 2014
Inset Day 2	Tuesday 2nd September 2014
School Opens for children	Wednesday 3rd September 2014
Inset Day 3	Friday 24th October 2014
Half Term	Monday 27th October 2014 - Friday 31st October 2014
School Opens	Monday 3rd November 2014
Christmas Holidays	Monday 22nd December 2014 - Friday 2nd January 2015

Spring Term

School Opens	Monday 5th January 2015
Half Term	Monday 16th February 2015 - Friday 20th February 2015
School Opens	Monday 23rd February 2015
Spring Break	Friday 3rd April 2015 - Friday 17th April 2015

Summer Term

School Opens	Monday 20th April 2015
May Day	Monday 4th May 2015
Inset Day 4 (Polling Day)	Thursday 7th May 2015
Half Term	Monday 25th May 2015 - Friday 29th May 2015
School Opens	Monday 1st June 2015
Children Break up	Monday 20th July 2015
Inset Day 5	Tuesday 21st July 2015