



Peace, Trust and Fellowship

Term 6,

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome back to a busy term! Summer is finally here; we are enjoying the sun and making use of our outside spaces for our learning. See below for some dates, information and announcements.

Sports Week

We have started our sports week. We hope to see you at 1.30 on Wednesday 13th for sports day. As soon as the event finishes and children are ready they may leave with parents present. We also have a number of sports themed activities the following day and would encourage our children to wear sports kit (of any sort – their favourite sport is good) to school. Some groups of children (parents are already aware) will be off site and in tournaments. As not everyone is in school our **sponsored events** are now going to take place on **Monday 16th July**. In the coming weeks children from KS1 and KS2 will be competing in events around the district. Look out for pictures on the website.

Governors

We are pleased to announce that, with two governor vacancies, we have been able to appoint two parent governors unopposed. We welcome both Ian Macaulay and Helen Spain onto the Governing Body. Both parents have children in KS1 classes and will be an asset to the school. More details will be sent with a governor letter at the end of this term.

Photography competition

Children will have mentioned this year's Trenport art project. All children will be encouraged to join in. There is a photography theme and each class will choose a different area to focus on. Letters from classes will be sent home on Thursday. Although the organisers are encouraging children to take the photographs at home and in their own time, class teachers will ensure that everyone has had an opportunity to produce a picture at school. Look out for those letters!

Class photographs

This leads nicely on to class photographs. They will be taken throughout the day on Wednesday 20th.

Breakfast and after school club

We have run a breakfast club at St Mark's for some time and would like to expand to after school provision. Starting from 25th June we are proposing to run an after school club until 4.30pm everyday. It will, much like the morning, breakfast club, involve games and activities and a small snack. We have changed our breakfast club 'sign up' letter to include after school arrangements and will send that home next week. We feel strongly about organising the provision as a school and not bringing in commercial

companies to run the sessions; it gives us more control and more opportunity to respond to the needs of parents and children. With this in mind, we will consider this final term a trial and will seek the views of those taking up the provision at the end of July.

Dates

Wednesday 13th June

Sportsday 1.30pm

Friday 15th June

2018 Year R Intake Welcome evening

Tuesday 19th June

Year R sports day

Wednesday 20th June

Class photographs

Monday 25th June

Start of Year 6 Residential week

Monday 9th July

Final day for Art Competition entries

Monday 16th July

Sponsored Sports events

Open afternoon for parents (2-4pm)

(You are welcome to visit your child's class to look at books and speak with the teacher – we run the afternoon as a drop in session)

Tuesday 17th July

Year 6 Leavers Performance to parents (evening times to be confirmed)

Wednesday 18th July

Class swap day

Thursday 19th July

Leavers Service 2.00pm in school hall

Friday 20th July

Last day for pupils.