

**Friday
20th
SEPTEMBER
2019**



IMPORTANT

Thank you for respecting our safeguarding procedures, mobiles devices must not be used on our site. Please continue to ensure pupils have the correct uniform, including correct socks, shoes, hairstyles. Pupils must wear their PE kit to school on the days they have PE.

BUSY TERM

Please see Autumn planner

NURSERY 2020

"Prepare your child for full-time school"
Is your child three next year, born between 1st September 2016 - 31st August 2017?
Please register your child for a nursery place at our school office in preparation for September 2020.

HELPLINES

NSPCC 0808 800 5000/**Crimestoppers** 0800 555 111

Samaritans 01922 624000 or 08457 909090

Citizen Advice Bureau 01922 700600

Addictions, Misuse of Alcohol and Drugs

Alcoholics Anonymous - 0845 769 7555

Addiction Walsall (Drug Intervention Programme) - 01922 646262

Childline - 0800 1111

Police - 999 emergencies only or 101 for other.

If you are worried about anyone or anything tell someone; it may just save a life.



CASHLESS SYSTEM

Dinner money will be collected in the hut on the playground. We are looking to move towards a cashless system by January 2020. More details to follow

COATS AND HATS

Pupils will need their coats and hats everyday, as we go out in all weather.

'YOUNG MINDS' DAY

Wear a yellow accessory with your uniform to raise awareness for mental health (for e.g. yellow socks, yellow t-shirt/top, yellow hair band, etc.) - £1 donation

WELFARE OFFICER

Our Education Welfare Officer came to see us. Please note, your child's place is at serious risk if you take leave in school time, you are very likely to be fined, and lose your place at our school. Please respect the law. We are a good school, as judged by Ofsted in March 2017, to maintain the judgement, our families need to continue to respect the law.

ST CHAD'S TRUST

Our Academy's sponsor is St Chad's Trust, based in Lichfield, this means they are our employer. The Trust care about our pupils, staff and community. The Trust officers visit our academy regularly to check on data, progress and ensuring our vision is fit for purpose, they offer support and challenge to ensure we provide a successful educational experience. The welcome page from the website is on the next page. See their website for more details and you can also meet with Mrs Williams, our Principal.

<http://www.stchadsacademiestrust.co.uk/>

St Chads Academies Trust

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Have a Lovely Weekend

Autumn Planner 2019

Date	Event
End of September	Harvest
October	Black History
Thurs 3 rd October	Y6 Woodlands Trip (Day 1)
Friday 4 th October	Y6 Woodlands Trip (Day 2)
Thursday 10 th October	Wear a yellow accessory with your uniform (for e.g. yellow socks, yellow hair band, etc.) - £1 donation
Tuesday 22 nd October	NURSERY & RECPTION 'MEET THE TEACHER' DAY
Wednesday 24 th October	Y1 & Y2 'MEET THE TEACHER' DAY
Thursday 24 th October	Y3 & Y4 MEET THE TEACHER' DAY
Friday 25 th October	Y5 & Y6 MEET THE TEACHER' DAY Diwali activities in school Break up for half term holidays
Sunday 27 th October	Diwali
Monday 4 th November	Selling Poppies in School
Tuesday 5 th November	School Choir out to Lichfield Cathedral Concert (1.45pm - 9pm)
Tuesday 5 th November	Guy Fawkes Night (Bonfire night)
Friday 8 th November	Y5 Cinema Trip
Sunday 10 th November	Remembrance Sunday/Poppy Day
Friday 15 th November	Children In Need Day
Wednesday 20 th November	ENTERPRSIE FESTIVAL
Thursday 21 st November	Rainbow Group Cinema trip
Friday 29 th November	ST Andrews Day
Tuesday 10 th December	REC-Y6 Flu Vaccinations
Wednesday 11 th December	REC, Y1 & Y2 Christmas Lunch
Thursday 12 th December	Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 Christmas Lunch
Friday 20 th December	Break up for Christmas Holidays

WELCOME TO ST CHAD'S ACADEMIES TRUST

As a relatively new Trust working across seven local authorities we have grown significantly over the last two years. There are now fourteen academies within the Trust spread across the Diocese of Lichfield, naturally developing into four distinct learning hubs or communities of practice.

Our strength is based on our shared belief of 'Children First'. Everyone working within the Trust; the central team. Local Academies Committees, Trustees, Principals and staff work collaboratively to provide the very best we can for the children in our care.

We believe that all schools can improve and together we support each other to achieve this. Our academies retain their own identity and characteristics whilst ensuring their commitment to the Trust. The academies themselves are a key part of school improvement within the Trust recognising each other's strengths and areas of development and helping each other, developing schools to school support across the Trust.

Principals play a key role in the development and success of the Trust as a whole and models of system leadership are developing strongly. When joining St Chad's we make no excuse of expecting every academy to provide support to others where it is needed.

We believe that we can continue to succeed and model the Christian values by which we live through trust, honesty, integrity and commitment.

Come follow Christ in the footsteps of St Chad



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Birchills Church of England Community Academy Our Vision, Motto, Values & Mission

Our vision and motto is underpinned by our Christian values, but we also draw on teachings from other faiths to reflect our school community, this is reflected in our mission statement below:

- encourage all children, irrespective of background or ability, through **perseverance** to flourish academically and creatively.
- unify our school **community** through collective worship and celebration, aiding spiritual development of both children and adults.
- prioritise the safety of our children and staff within our school **community**
- provide support for good mental health and wellbeing of our children and staff so that all feel **respected** and valued.
- provide a **community** where, '**Manners Matter Most**' developing strong caring relationships based on mutual **respect** and **friendships** demonstrated through **service, forgiveness** and reconciliation.
- ensure that our school gives children the opportunity to understand and **respect** difference and diversity; knowing that we are all God's children who hold hands with all faiths and those of no faith.
- support our children to develop lifelong values so that they can contribute meaningfully towards social **justice** and navigate an increasingly complex national and global community.