

**Friday  
4th  
OCTOBER  
2019**



## WOODLANDS ADVENTURE

Y6 have spent two days at experiencing outdoor adventure, canoeing, raft building, climbing, zip wiring and more.

All very taxing and challenging experiences. Well done to everyone who took part and the staff for making it all possible.

## MEET THE TEACHER DAY

We are really looking forward to seeing you, please return the appointment slips on Monday.

Dates for each year group are as follows:

Nursery & Reception - Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October.

Year 1 & Year 2 - Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October.

Year 3 & Year 4 - Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October.

Year 5 & Year 6 - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> October.

## Y2 SWIMMING

Swimming was cancelled this week. Please see the new swimming rota attached as dates have been amended for each class.

## 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

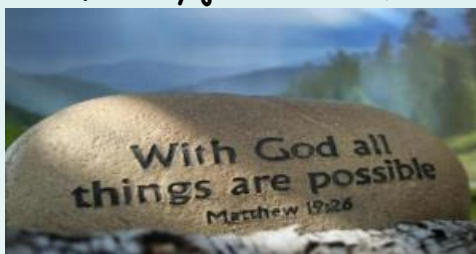
Alcoholics Anonymous - 0845 769 7555

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.**



Have a Lovely Weekend

## HARVEST TIME

We are celebrating Harvest and giving thanks to farmers near and far, a time to share food. This year, we hope our families will help us to collect the following:

Nursery & Reception - Fruit Juice and UHT Milk

Y1 & Y2 - Tinned potatoes/packets of mash and toothpaste

Y3 & Y4 - Tinned vegetables and shower gel

Y5 & Y6 - tea bags and shampoo

This will go donated to a local food bank

**THANK YOU.**

## BUSY TERM

Please see Autumn planner

## 'YOUNG MINDS' DAY

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October.

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

## LEATHER MUSEUM

Years 1-6 will be visiting the Leather Museum next week as part of a focus on local History, Geography & Science. All pupils will have a tour of the museum and make a key ring. Please can pupils bring £1 with their consent slip by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October.

## 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/>

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# Autumn Planner 2019

Date	Event
October	Harvest
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> October	9am - Year 6 to Leather Museum 12.30pm - Year 1 to Leather Museum
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> October	9am - Year 5 to Leather Museum 12.30pm - Year 2 to Leather Museum
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> October	Wear a yellow accessory with your uniform (for e.g. yellow socks, yellow hair band, etc.) - £1 donation
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> October	9am - Year 4 to Leather Museum 1pm - Year 3 to Leather Museum
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> October	9 - 9.30am - Year 2 Show and Tell assembly
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	NURSERY & RECEPTION 'MEET THE TEACHER' DAY
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October	Y1 & Y2 'MEET THE TEACHER' DAY
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Y3 & Y4 MEET THE TEACHER' DAY
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> October	Y5 & Y6 MEET THE TEACHER' DAY Diwali activities in school
	Break up for half term holidays
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	Diwali
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	Selling Poppies in School
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	School Choir out to Lichfield Cathedral Concert (1.45pm - 9pm)
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	Guy Fawkes Night (Bonfire night)
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Y5 Cinema Trip
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Sunday/Poppy Day
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> November	Children In Need Day
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	ENTERPRISE FESTIVAL
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	9 - 9.30am - Y1 Show and Tell assembly Rainbow Group Cinema trip
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> November	ST Andrews Day
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	REC-Y6 Flu Vaccinations
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	REC, Y1 & Y2 Christmas Lunch
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 Christmas Lunch
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December	Break up for Christmas Holidays

**YEAR 2 SWIMMING/CLASS LESSONS**  
**SCHEDULE FOR 2019/2020**

<b>Date of Activity (all lessons are on Thursdays)</b>	<b>Activity for 2E Mr Moxon</b>	<b>Activity for 2F Mrs Cooper</b>
12 <sup>th</sup> September 2019	Swimming	Lessons
19 <sup>th</sup> September 2019	Lessons	Swimming
26 <sup>th</sup> September 2019	Swimming	Lessons
3 <sup>rd</sup> October 2019	Lessons	Swimming - <b>CANCELLED</b> Lessons as normal
10 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	Lessons	Swimming
17 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	Swimming	Lessons
24 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	Lessons	Swimming
31 <sup>st</sup> October 2019	Half Term Week - school closed to pupils	
7 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	Swimming	Lessons
14 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	Lessons	Swimming
21 <sup>st</sup> November 2019	Swimming	Lessons
28 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	Lessons	Swimming
5 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Swimming	Lessons
12 <sup>th</sup> December 2019	Lessons	Swimming
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> December is the last date for Year 2 Swimming - pupils only have lessons during the Autumn Term.		
PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD HAS THEIR SWIMMING KIT IN SCHOOL ON THE DATES ABOVE.		
PLEASE NOTE THAT GOGGLES ARE <b>NOT</b> PERMITTED.		

If your child's class are not going swimming, they will continue with their morning lessons.

PE will take place on a Monday as normal.

## **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**

# Birchills Church Of England Community Academy Our Vision



We hold hands with all faiths and those with no faith providing a vibrant, respectful, friendly and safe community where all will know that all things are possible with God.

## Our Motto

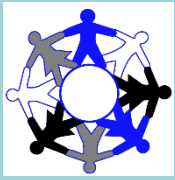
With God all things are possible. We are all God's children.

*"With God all things are possible."*

*Matthew 19:26*

## Our Values

Our Core Christian Values are at the heart of everything we do, uniting us as a school family. These are: **Community, Respect, Friendship, Forgiveness, Perseverance, Justice and Service.**



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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.