

Spring term 2018

18th January 2018

Holy Cross News



Dear Parents/Carers...

Please visit the website at: www.holycross.swindon.sch.uk

Planned Road Works

Swindon Borough Council has informed us of works on the pedestrian crossing next to the Magic Roundabout. This upgrade to the crossing will be of benefit to pedestrians and cyclists crossing Queen's Drive. The work is due to start on the **19th February 2018** and should take 6-8 weeks. Work will take place outside of peak hours with some lane closures. There will be disruption to traffic at other times during the works.



Parentpay

Please ensure you have booked your child's school dinners and any Breakfast or After School care sessions on Parent Pay. When your child is absent from school, if possible, please cancel any meals booked.



Volunteers

Do you have a few hours spare each week? Would you like to contribute to your local community?

We are always looking for parents or grandparents to volunteer in our school. You might be asked to listen to children read or completed basic admin task.

We are also looking for a small team to work on our vegetable patch at the back of the school which is in desperate need of some love and attention. Please speak to a member of the office staff if you can help or would like more details.



National Storytelling Day

On **Tuesday 30th January**, the children of Holy Cross shall be celebrating National Storytelling Week. We would like all children to come to school dressed as their favourite character from a story. We kindly ask that each child bring £1 with them and this will contribute to a small gift that will be given to each child as a memento of the day.



Year 3 Greek Day

On **Thursday 1st February**, Year 3 are having a Greek Day when among many creative activities, the children will be encouraged to dress up in Ancient Greek costume.

Also, as part of the Greek Day, the children will take part in Greek Food tasting lesson. The children will sample the different Greek foods. A letter will be sent with more details to children in Willow class.



Diary Dates 2018

23rd January	Year 1 Trip to Steam
30th January	National Storytelling Day
2nd February	NSPCC Number Day
2nd & 5th February	Clothes Recycling
12th - 16th February	Mid Term Holiday (SCHOOL CLOSED TO CHILDREN)
20th March	Parent / Teacher Consultations
22nd March	Parent / Teacher Consultations
28th March	Year 2 Trip to Westonbirt Arboretum
29th March	LAST DAY OF TERM

More information will be given closer to the time of each event. Please note that these dates are subject to change.

Well done to the following children who received a Certificate of Excellence last week

Ash	Shaun Fernandes
Oak	Nessa Ferrao
Elm	Amy Fernandes
Pine	Samira Butt
Beech	Abner Dias
Cedar	Madeleine Haines
Willow	Bonnie Blunt
Sycamore	Lamesha D'Mello
Chestnut	Ella Wilcox

Attendance and Punctuality

Please ensure your child is in school and on time as much as possible. Swindon Borough Council will be issuing fines for non-authorized absences. The fines are paid to Swindon Borough Council. Children are allowed on site from 8.30am unless in Breakfast Club and school starts at 8.50am. We are aware that traffic is problematic around Swindon at the moment, so if travelling by car make sure you have plenty of time to travel safely.



World of Work WE WANT YOU!

Do you love your job? Do you have an interesting or unusual job? Are you willing to talk to our Year 6 children about your job? This helps our children to understand different options available to them in the future. Please contact either Mrs Salter or Mr Christian for more details.



Change of Date

Please note that the Teacher Training Day in May is now on **Friday 11th May**. School will be closed to all children.



Reflection

There will be times where we want to do really well, or be 'the winner' but it's important to realise that we can't be the best all the time. We must know that trying our best and working hard will always be better than being dishonest.



Yours sincerely
Mrs. K Salter
Head of School