



## Diary Dates

Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> Sept  
School  
Photographs

Fri 28<sup>th</sup> Sept  
FoSG AGM 8:45

### October 2018

Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Oct  
Census Day

Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Oct  
10:00  
Harvest Assembly

Fri 5<sup>th</sup> Oct  
Castle Day Year 2

Tues 9<sup>th</sup> Oct  
15.40 -18.00  
Parents Evening

Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> Oct  
PE coaching

Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> Oct  
18:00 – 20:00  
Parents Evening

Mon 15<sup>th</sup> Oct  
Traffic Survey

Tues 23<sup>rd</sup> October  
PE Workshop KS1

Wed 24<sup>th</sup> October  
PE Workshop EYFS

Fri 26<sup>th</sup> October  
INSET Day

Mon 29<sup>th</sup> Oct  
Half term

### November

Tues 6<sup>th</sup> Nov  
Karate Coaching  
whole school

## New Swing Gate Babies

We are delighted to announce the safe arrival of Mrs King's twin baby boys. Teddy and Walter were so eager to be part of the Swing Gate family that they arrived nine weeks early. Mum and babies are recovering well and the babies hope to be home soon. Congratulations to the King Family.

## Coffee Morning

On Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September we held a Coffee Morning. This was a chance for parents to come into the school and meet other parents, talk to Friends of Swing Gate and speak to Lisa McGovern our Family Support Worker. The coffee morning was a real success.

## Harvest Assembly

This year our Harvest Assembly will be held at 10:00 on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September at St Peters Church. We will be holding a collection for DENS (Dacorum Emergency Night Shelter). We will need some volunteers to help walk with the children to and from the church. Please let the school office know if you are available to help on this day.

## Parents Evening

You will be able to book your time slot on Parentmail from Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September at 12:00.

## School Photographs

On the morning of Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September the individual photographs will be taken. Please remember that all children should be wearing the correct Swing Gate School uniform including Swing Gate sweaters or cardigans with the logo.



## Data Collection Sheets, Consent Forms and Flu Vaccination forms

This week we sent out the Data Collection Sheets, GDPR Consent Forms and Flu Vaccination forms for completion. Please take the time to complete these forms and return them to the school office as soon possible. This is important as we need to make sure that we have the correct information on our records. In line with the Governments policy, 'Keeping Children Safe in Education', we need a minimum of two contacts for each child.

## Book Reading Group

Bring along your favorite book and your imagination so that we can enter the exciting world of 'A Great Story', for children aged 6-8 on Wednesdays 4-5pm starting October 17<sup>th</sup> 2018. Book your place by calling 01442733806. This is being held at the Open Door Community Space, High Street Berkhamsted.



## PAUSE for THOUGHT

*"You are braver than you believe.  
Stronger than you seem and  
smarter than you think".*

*A.A. Milne, Christopher Robin*

## Castle Day

On Friday 5<sup>th</sup> October Year 2 will take part in an exciting day of activities that will enhance their knowledge and learning about the everyday life of people working and living within a castle and the castle buildings. I am looking forward to seeing children dressed in medieval costume as knights, princesses or in traditional medieval outfits. If you are able to help in the morning by walking to Berkhamsted Castle with the children, please contact the school office.

## Gardening

Thank you to Mrs Davies for working with some of the Owls and Squirrels children as they planted bedding plants and shrubs ready for the winter season. It really brightens the entrance to our school.



## Be Inspired

This week Mr Miller visited the school to work with the Foundation Stage children for a PE workshop. Squeals of delight were heard as the children were active in their PE session, he was focusing on dexterity, mobility and fun. Mr Miller will be returning throughout the year to work with all children in the school.



## Marketing

We have been busy behind the scenes to update the school image, ensuring that it is a true reflection of what Swing Gate is about. Thank you to those parents who have been working with us as part of the marketing team. We look forward to sharing the updates with you all shortly. In the meantime, keep an eye on our ever evolving website as it develops.

*Francesca Gallagher (Mrs)  
Headteacher*

**We make learning an adventure.**