

# Dalton St Michael's C.E. Primary School

Newsletter 1

Autumn 1 2018



## The new academic year 2018/19

This term we have welcomed twelve children into our Reception year group as well as fifteen children into our Nursery. We are pleased that six new families have also joined our school and hope they already feel part of the Dalton family.

## School Admission September 2019

Do you have, or know of anyone with, a child due to start school in September 2019?

Parents will need to apply for a school place for their child even if they already attend our Nursery. Please be aware that a place in the Nursery does not guarantee a place in school. Applications can be made online until January 15<sup>th</sup> 2019. Further information can be found at <https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/>

## Nursery Admission

Please complete an 'Expression of Interest' form, available from the school office if you are interested in a Nursery place for your child in the future. We have limited places available in the Nursery each academic year.

## Stars of the Week

We continue to celebrate all the children's individual achievements each week. Our 'Stars of the Week' receive a certificate on Friday and their achievements are discussed on our Monday morning Celebration Collective Worship. The children's names and achievements are also recorded on the 'Home' page of the school website each week.



The Reception and Nursery children read the story 'Mr Gumpy's Bumpy Ride'. They made their own lawnmower to travel with their friends.

Year one have been making as many triangles as they could using geoboards and elastic bands.



Miss Dowling's class have been learning about electricity this term. They made circuits and explored electrical toys.



Mrs Britton's class have been investigating the properties of triangles. They measured angles, area, perimeter and circumference of the different shapes.

### After School Clubs after half term

**Monday** – Sports Club for children Y2 to Y6  
Christmas crafts with Mrs Britton for KS2 children (from November 5<sup>th</sup>)

**Tuesday** – Indoor football with Mr Atkins for children in Y1, Y2 and Y3

### Absence from school

If your child is absent from school, please let us know on the first day of absence.

May I remind you that holidays in term time will not be authorised following Government legislation and school policy.

As you have been previously informed, the Governors made the decision to use Penalty notices from this academic year which will be issued if unauthorised holidays are taken. These would be issued by Lancashire County Council. If you require further clarification please arrange an appointment to speak to me.

### Car Park

Please can I remind you to use the car park when dropping and picking up your child from school. Parking on the road at the front of the school building or wooden gate could cause a serious accident.

### Online Payment

Payment for school dinners, school uniform, school trips, Breakfast Club and after school care can be made online for your convenience on <https://www.scopay.com/login.html>

If you require a new login for the website please enquire at the school office. Prompt and regular payments are appreciated.

### After School Club Booking

Please remember to book at the school office if you require after school care. This is important to ensure the correct staffing and resources are available.

### Dates for your Diary (also on the website)

#### November

- 1 The Life Education Bus visits school
- 8 Class photographs
- 19 Fire Service visit Year 2
- 26 Scholastic Book Fair arrives in school
- 30 Chocolate Bingo \*

#### December

- 2 Toy and Tree Service at Church 11am
- 3 Year 2 taking part in a Hope event \*
- 7 Christmas Fair 3pm – 4.30pm
- 13 Nativity Service at Church at 6pm
- 14 Nativity Service in Church at 9.15am
- 19 Christmas Party \*Information to follow



A visit to Birch Green Care home to sing carols with the residents is also to be arranged

**School closes for the Christmas holiday on Thursday 20th December at 3pm.**