

### Ploughing Match

As always we will be supporting our community when we visit the Ploughing Match on 7<sup>th</sup> October. This year it will be held in Brailsford. We have entered our children in several of the competitions and will take the entries to the show in the morning before 10am. Reception children will be painting a picture of a hen. Y1 and Y2 children will make a house from a juice carton. Y3-Y6 children will make a desk tidy, 3 gift tags and a hand drawn birthday card.

A coach has been booked to take all the staff and children. A letter will be sent out nearer the date to give further details of the day.

### Bikes left at school

Some parents are leaving children's bikes locked to the fence during the day. School is quite happy for this to happen, but please be aware that our insurance does not cover any loss of bicycles from the premises.

### Labelling uniform

We have noticed how many of our children have grown during the summer holidays. The children all look very smart in their uniform. Please make sure that all items of clothing (including PE kit) are labelled clearly with your child's name. Uniform is expensive and we want to make sure we are able to return any lost items to the right family!

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO CHECK YOUR CHILD'S BOOK BAG ON A DAILY BASIS FOR ANY LETTERS OR INFORMATION AND RETURN FORMS TO THE LETTER BOX IN THE ENTRANCE HALL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**



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# Mugginton News

The newsletter of Mugginton C E Primary School

### *Message from Mrs. Moore*

Welcome back to all our children, parents and governors. Many of you may have been a little surprised to hear that I am retiring at the end of the autumn term. I have now been the Headteacher of this outstanding church school for a wonderful nine years. I have absolutely loved my job and feel it has been a privilege to be a part of this community. Thank you to so many of you who have made such kind comments. I will continue to work hard during the autumn term to ensure that the handover to the new Headteacher is as smooth as possible. Governors will, of course, keep you informed of any decisions made. This term we will be celebrating 175 years of a school in Mugginton (no, I haven't been here that long!) and have many exciting activities planned for the children with a special RE focus in the first week after half term. There are details of some of the other activities we have organised later in this newsletter and we will be sending further information out as the term progresses.

### **New Children**

Welcome to Alice, Archie, Brayden, Edward, Elizabeth, Jack and Joe. These are our magnificent seven new reception children.

### **Attendance**

Congratulations to Rosie, Jasmine UM and Emily T who achieved an amazing 100% attendance during the school year 2014-15.

We were also delighted that 30 children achieved 100% attendance for the summer term. Well done to Lucy, Thomas, Lily, Alice, McKinley, Alex G, Kylan, Jasmine S, Harry T, Huxley, Harry B, Freya M, Anya, Matthew, Alex B, Tyler, Amelia, Emily G, Niamh, Daisy, Mary, Jack W, Cathy, Delainey, Ellie, Faye and Abner.

### **Open Day**

We will be holding an Open Day from 8am to 4.30pm on Thursday 1st October 2015 for any families with children who are due to start school in September 2016 and will need to apply to the local authority by December 2015. If you know of anyone who would be interested then please invite them along.

Some parents of our present pupils have expressed an interest through the parent questionnaire to see our school in action. With this in mind parents are invited to come into school and share in their children's work from 9am – 10am on the Open Day.

### **Infant Learning for Term 1**

#### **English**

Instructions, Non-fiction, Stories with familiar settings, Stories from different cultures.

#### **Maths**

Placevalue, Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication, Division, Shape and space.

#### **Science**

Building materials.

#### **Topic**

The Great Fire of London

#### **RE**

What can we learn from creation stories?

#### **PE**

Netball and Games

#### **PSHE**

Being Safe

#### **Art / design technology**

Houses

#### **French**

People who help us.

#### **Computing**

E-safety, Computers, Word processing skills.

### **Birthdays this term**

Happy Birthday to: Fahren, Jack R, Lucy, Jack W, Freya M, Alex B and Lily who all have birthdays this term.

## Junior Learning for Term 1

### English

**Y3/ Y4** Instructional texts, Dialogue & plays, Shape poems.  
**Y5/6** Instructions, Recount & newspapers, Narrative poetry.

### Maths

Place value, Calculation, Shape and data handling.

### Science

Light and sound

### Art & Design Technology

Desk tidy, Gift tag, Birthday Card,  
Famous artist

### PSHE

British Values

### RE - Christianity & Hinduism

**Y3/4** What can we learn from religions about right and wrong.  
**Y5/6** What makes a leader worth following.

### PE

Netball & Swimming

### Spanish

Greetings, Describing where we live.

### Topic

Local history - 175 years of Mugginton School

### Music

Learning to play the recorder

### Computing

E-safety, Using the internet.

### Extended School Day

We are continuing to run the popular pre-school Early Birds Club from 8am every day and a variety of structured after-school clubs each day until 4.30pm. We have a Cookery club most Thursdays. We strive hard to keep costs for these clubs as low as we can with the average cost being £2.60.

Monday – Tag Rugby **FREE** (Subsidised by Sports Premium)

Tuesday – Derby County Football

Wednesday – French

Thursday – Arts and Crafts

Friday - ICT

May we remind parents that our after school clubs finish at 4.30 and we would ask all parents to ensure that their child/ children are collected promptly as staff often have other meetings to attend.

### Friday Owls

Parents and children from 0 – 4years old are invited to join us for Friday Owls each week from 10.30am to 11.30am. If you know of anyone who might like to come to this fun and friendly session please invite them along. Parents of reception and year 1 children are also invited to join Friday Owls.

### Punctuality

May we remind you that the door is locked at 9am to ensure a prompt start for all children. Please try to ensure that you are at school before this to avoid any disruption to others. It is also helpful to let the school know if you are not able to collect your child promptly at the end of the school day.

### **Our Church School**

**As you will know, Rev'd Dawn is no longer able to come into our school. We are hoping that Rev'd Canon Harper will be a part of our school and will come into school as often as he is able to.**

**Chris Hadley from Emmanuel Church will continue to come into school each week and lead a collective worship related to the many wonderful Bible stories we enjoy.**

**The first week after the half term we are looking forward to enjoying an RE week with lots of exciting activities – wait for the next newsletter for more details!!!**

### **Harvest festival**

**This year we will hold our school harvest festival in church on 2nd October at the usual time of 2.30pm. We ask parents to send in donations for the festival on the morning of the church service and staff will help children to take their donations to church for the service. Many parents send in small baskets or boxes with fresh fruit, vegetables and tinned or dried food. Donations will be distributed to a worthy cause.**

### **ISA – (International Schools Award)**

**We are hoping to meet up with our Derby partner school, St Chads, when we attend the Ploughing Match and then we will visit them later this term or in the spring term.**

**We are also going to send our Italian friends some information about our school and our learning this term.**

### **Governors**

**Governors play a vital role in the operation of any school but they perform an invaluable service in our school.**

**Apart from their other responsibilities they attend over 30 meetings each year - that's nearly one every school week.**

**All the information about Governance and about the Governors is on the "Governance" page of our web site. There you can see what Governors do, the names and interests of the Governors of our school and lots more about the roles and responsibilities of Governors.**

**Elsewhere in this newsletter there is a special note about parent Governors.**

**Please use this information - there is no reason why you should have any unanswered questions about the Governors in your school.**

### **Parent Governors**

**This term our parent governors are Mark Gowdridge, Catherine Stroud and Sarah Tomlinson. If you would like to talk to our parent governors, they are often at the school gate before and after school. Alternatively, Mrs Moore will be glad to arrange a meeting for you.**

### **FOMS Entry**

Thank you to everyone who was able to help with the refreshments at the school production, the coffee morning and the end of term party. A fantastic total of £131.20 was raised on the tombola and cake stalls at the coffee morning.

Our next meeting (which will be the AGM) be held on Wednesday 23rd September at 2pm in the Rainbow Room. It would be really great to see some new faces this school year, particularly as we no longer have Helen Meredith and Sue Birks with us. Support from parents is vital if FOMs can continue to make a difference to facilities for the children, and help to keep the cost of school trips down. Anyone is welcome to join us, even if you can't make the meetings, support at events, no matter how small, is much appreciated. Please let me know if you can help in any way.

Thanks again

Beth Wilson (Jack's mum)

### **Music Tuition**

Music tuition with Ms Gillions will be on Friday for some junior children. If your child is learning to play an instrument it is important they remember to bring it with them every Friday.

### **Old Photographs**

As part of our curriculum this term we are finding out about Mugginton now and 175 years ago. If anyone has any old photographs that they would be happy to share with us, we would be very grateful.

Here are some of the forms to expect within the next few weeks:-

### **Contact details**

It is vital that these are kept up to date to allow school to contact parents/guardians in cases of emergency

### **Home school agreement**

As always at this time in the school year, each child will receive a home-school agreement which should be discussed with parents/carers and then signed and returned to school.

### **Discussions with staff**

Mrs Moore and the teachers are usually available for a quick word both before and after school. However, if any parent needs a longer chat then please feel free to make an appointment with the appropriate person. Please note that parents' evening for the autumn term has been set for 30th September and 1st October. We will send out forms nearer the date for parents to book an appropriate time.

The spring Parents' Evening will be held on 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> February.

### **Swimming**

All of the children in the junior class will take part in swimming lessons this term starting on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> September for 5 weeks before and 5 weeks after half term. If any parent is available to accompany the juniors, we would be very grateful if you would let Mrs Horobin in the office know.

### Dates For This Term

- 7th Sept INSET Day**  
**8th Sept INSET Day**  
22nd Sept Swimming - Juniors every Tuesday  
30th Sept Parents' Evening 3.30pm-5.30pm  
1st Oct Parents' Evening 5pm-7pm  
1st Oct Open Day - 8am to 4.30pm  
2nd Oct Harvest Festival - 2.30pm in Church -Everyone  
7th Oct Ploughing Match  
16th Oct Reading Challenge  
23rd Oct End of Term Church Service - 2.30 in Church - Everyone Welcome

### Future Dates

- 2nd Nov Return to School  
3rd Nov HOW - Children in Church  
12th Nov Fun Maths Roadshow  
**16th Nov INSET Day**  
4th Dec Christingle Service-2.30pm in Church-Everyone  
9th Dec Nativity 2pm in Church - Everyone Welcome  
10th Dec Nativity 6pm in Church - Everyone Welcome  
11th Dec Friday Owls Party

### Future Dates

- 14th Dec Christmas Dinner  
15th Dec Coffee Morning 10am Everyone Welcome  
16th Dec Aladdin Pantomime Whole School  
17th Dec Christmas Party Whole School  
18th Dec End of Term Carol Service 2.30pm in Church - Everyone Welcome  
4th Jan Return to School  
10th Feb Parents' Evening 3.30pm-5.30pm  
11th Feb Parents' Evening 5pm-7pm  
12th Feb End of Term Church Service-2.30pm-Everyone  
22nd Feb Return to School  
25th Feb Fun Maths Roadshow  
1st Mar HOW in Church  
24th Mar End of Term Church Service-2.30pm-Everyone  
11th Apr Return to School  
2nd May Bank Holiday  
18th May 3 Day Residential - Lea Green - Juniors  
27th May End of Term Church Service-2.30pm-Everyone  
6th June Return to School  
22nd Jun Whole School Photo  
28th Jun QEGS Transition Day & Induction Evening  
29th Jun QEGS Transition Day  
30th Jun QEGS Transition Day  
26th July End of Year Church Service-2.30pm-Everyone