# Newsletter 8th December 2017

AUTUMN			
TERM			
DECEMBER			
Monday 11	Multi Sports		Last session before Christmas holidays
Wednesday 13	School Christmas dinner		Children may wear their Christmas jumpers or T- Shirts
Thursday 14	Class Christmas Parties	Afternoon	A special visitor to visit the school Children may bring in a change of clothes
Monday 18	Christmas Church Service	9.45am and 1.45pm St Mary's Church	Tickets details to be announced next week
Tuesday 19	Christmas Holidays begin	1pm	
SPRING TERM			
JANUARY			
Wednesday 3	Back to school		
Monday 8	Rising stars and clubs	Start this week	
Tuesday 9	Violin lessons start		
Friday 12	Panto to visit school	pm	'Wind in the Willows' performed by the Flying Pizza Theatre. Thank you to the PTFA for funding for this event
Wednesday 31	Danes Class outing	Leave school at 9.00am	Visit to Natural History Museum London. Disposable packed lunch with no fizzy drinks or chocolate. Suitable waterproof jacket in case of bad weather. Pick up between 4.30pm and 5pm traffic dependant.
FEBRUARY			
Tuesday 6	Happy Bag Collection	Collection will be at 11.30am	If you have any clothes that you would like to donate please leave them in a plastic bag under the bike shelter.
Friday 9	Half term begins	3.15pm	
Monday 19	Back to school		
MARCH			
Thursday 1	World Book Day		Details to follow
Sunday 11	Royal Albert Hall Gala	Choir attending	Final details to follow
Thursday 22	Parents Evening	Classroom from 3.20pm to 8.50pm	Details to follow

Monday 26	Reward Day		
Monday 26	Last day of clubs and rising Stars		
Thursday 29	Easter Service Easter egg	9.30am St Mary's Church	Parents/Carers are welcome to go to St Mary's Church for coffee after dropping the children off and before the service. The children need to decorate a HARD BOILED EGG at
	decorating competition Egg rolling competition		<ul> <li>home and bring it into school with them on Friday morning and these will be judged in their classes.</li> <li>This is then followed by the egg rolling completion where the children roll their decorated eggs down a slope in the playground to see whose goes the furthest.</li> <li>(Top Tip: try not to stick too much on the eggs when decorating them as they don't roll very well!)</li> <li>Prizes are given to the most interestingly decorated egg and also the egg that goes the furthest.</li> <li>There are not many eggs that survive the egg rolling competition so they are disposed of at school.</li> </ul>
	Easter Holidays begin	1pm	
SPRING TERM			
APRIL			
Tuesday 17	Back to school		

### Dates and events are subject to change.

### ACADEMIC YEAR 2017/18

### Autumn Term

Tuesday, 5 September 2017 to Tuesday, 19 December 2017

### Spring Term

Wednesday, 3 January 2018 to Thursday, 29 March 2018 Half Term – Monday, 12 February 2018 to Friday, 16 February 2018

### Summer Term

Tuesday, 17 April 2018 to Friday, 20 July 2018 Bank Holiday - Monday, 7 May 2018 - **SCHOOL CLOSED** Half Term Break - Monday, 28 May 2018 to Friday, 1 June 2018

### Inset Days - SCHOOL CLOSED

Inset days – Friday, 1 September 2017 and Monday, 4 September 2017 Inset day Monday, 16 April 2018 Inset Days – Monday, 23 July 2018 and Tuesday 24 July 2018

### PTFA Film Afternoon - CANCELLED

Unfortunately, we have had to make the difficult to cancel the film afternoon on the last day of term, due to lack of people available to run this event. All children will need to be collected at 1pm on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December.

### DINNER MONEY FEES (£2.40 per meal)

**Please be advised that payments are due in advance.** You can pay for meals online via the School Gateway or make cheques payable to Herts Catering Ltd (HCL). Cash payments are to be put in a clearly named, sealed envelope with the amount on the front. Receipts will be issued when being processed.

### DINNER MONEY FEES £2.40 per meal

**SPRING 2018** 1<sup>ST</sup> **HALF TERM** 03.01.18 to 09.02.18 inclusive

All week	(28 meals)	£67.20
Wednesday	(6 meals)	£14.40
Friday only	(6 meals)	£14.40
Wed & Fri	(12 meals)	£28.80

### SPRING 2018 2<sup>nd</sup> HALF TERM £2.40 per meal

19.02.18 to 29.04.18 inclusive

All week	(29 meals)	£69.60
Wednesday	(6 meals)	£14.40
Friday only	(5 meals)	£12.00
Wed & Fri	(11 meals)	£26.40

### CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Thank you to the PTFA and everyone who helped with the Christmas Fayre. It takes a lot of hard work and organisation to put on such a wonderful and successful event. It raised in access of  $\pounds$ 1700 - an amazing amount of money by a school the size of ours. All of our children will benefit from the hard work.

### CELEBRATION WORSHIP

Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> will be this year's last celebration worship. The first one in the New Year will be on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January.

### CHRISTMAS DINNER

We will be holding our Christmas Dinner on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December. Children are invited to wear their Christmas clothing for the day, as they did on our Decoration Day.

### CHRISTMAS PARTIES

Our Christmas Parties will be held next Thursday afternoon. All children will be allowed to bring in clothes to change into after lunch. Slips will be out at the beginning of the week requesting food items to be sent in. Please remember we are a nut-free school.

### CHRISTMAS SERVICE IN CHURCH

Thank you to everybody for returning the slips indicating how many tickets you require. Tickets will be issued very soon. At the moment the only tickets remaining are for the morning performance.

**OUR FIRST HOUSE POINTS WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED ON THURSDAY**. The winning team will be allowed to wear non-uniform on Friday - Reward Day next week.

### SCHOOL TELEPHONE MESSAGE SERVICE

Please note that the school telephone system is not recording messages you may have left. We are trying to get this fixed, but in the meantime please do not leave messages, as we are not receiving them. If anyone can help us with the problem, please contact Christine in the office.

### SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM

This afternoon we had our first match since Mr Bower has been training our football team. The score was Aston 7 Bennington 4. WELL DONE!

## 28.11.17 and 05.12.17

SHINING STARS were awarded to Mia, Harry, Spencer and Tate

MERITS were awarded Rhianna, Favian, Poppy C, Tate, Aiden, Anouska, Benji, Aidan, Cameron, Olivia, Jessica R, Lola, Ellie and Bella G.

A THOUGHT TO SHARE - "Real generosity is doing something nice for someone who will never find out...' Frank A Clark