

Newsletter 20th October 2017

AUTUMN TERM			
OCTOBER			
Friday 27	Halloween Party	Aston Village hall 6pm – 7.30pm	£5 per child which includes a hot dog, refreshments and games.
Monday 30	Back to school		
	Parental workshop	3:30pm or 6pm	A parental workshop to introduce parents to our new spelling approach at school
Tuesday 31	Closing date for Secondary School applications		
NOVEMBER			
Monday 6	Online applications open		For September 2018 Under 11 Admissions - for children starting reception class in September 2018
Tuesday 7	Happy Bag Collection	Collection will be at 11am	If you have any clothes that you would like to donate please leave them in a plastic bag under the bike shelter.
Friday 10	Remembrance Service	10.45am 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.
Saturday 11	Bingo	School hall 2pm-4pm	Details to follow
Friday 17	Non-uniform Day		Non-uniform Day for a donation of £1 for Children-in-Need.
Friday 24	Non-uniform Day		Non-uniform Day for the donation of something chocolate for the Xmas Fete Chocolate Tombola
Saturday 25 th November	Parents Christmas 80's Disco	School Hall	Fancy Dress is optional. Tickets will be £10 per person which includes a drink. This event is being run by the PTFA and School Governors and all proceeds will go to the governors Account. There will be a bar available.
Tuesday 28	School Nurse to visit Years Reception - Yr4		Nasal Immunisation Program against Flu
DECEMBER			
Friday 1	Christmas Decoration Day		Children may wear their Christmas jumpers or T-Shirts
Sunday 3	Christmas Fayre	School Hall from 12pm - 3pm	
Monday 4	School closed	Occasional day	

Friday 8	Christmas Tree Festival		Aston St Mary's Church. Information to follow
Friday 8	Football club		Last session before Christmas holidays
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	Parents/Carers are welcome to go to St Mary's Church for coffee after dropping the children off and before the service.
Tuesday 19	Christmas Film Afternoon	School Hall and Haffydown Classroom 1.15pm-3.15pm	2 different Christmas films will be shown. A goody bag with popcorn, Christmas chocolate and drink will be given at the interval. More details to follow.
	Christmas Holidays begin	1pm	

Dates and events are subject to change.

ACADEMIC YEAR 2017/18

Autumn Term

Tuesday, 5 September 2017 to Tuesday, 19 December 2017

Half Term Break - Monday, 23 October 2017 to Friday, 27 October 2017

Occasional Day - Monday, 4 December 2017 - **SCHOOL CLOSED**

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

We would like to welcome Mr Coolna (Haffydown Class) and Mrs O'Brien (Shackadell Class) to Aston St Mary's Primary School. They will be working with our school as part of their own continued professional development (CPD).

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.

AUTUMN 2nd HALF TERM £2.40 per meal

30.10.17 to 19.12.16 inclusive

All week	(36 meals)	£86.40
Wednesday	(7 meals)	£16.80
Friday only	(7 meals)	£16.80
Wed & Fri	(14 meals)	£33.60

Extra Socks - Could you please put an extra pair of socks in your child's PE bag as we are finding the children's feet are getting wet during the Golden Mile and when they are on the field for PE.

Thank you to Mrs Cracknell for the donation of £86.00 from the sale of chicken eggs.

No Nonsense Spellings

On Monday 30th October Mrs Branagan will be leading a session for all parents with children in Year 2 to Year 6. However, all parents will be very welcome. It is a very important meeting, as Mrs Branagan will link you how you can support your child's learning of spellings in school. There will be a session at 3:30pm, as you collect your children, with adults to supervise a playtime. The session will be repeated at 6pm (for adults only).

Bikes left at school

There appears to be two small bicycles that have been left where the Happy Bags are kept. If these are yours please arrange to have them removed.

Happy Bags Collection

Please continue to leave any old clothing in black bags for the Happy Bags Collection. It will be collected at 11am on Tuesday 7th November. Over the year these collection raise a lot of money for the PTFA to support our school.

Finally, we hope you all have a lovely half-term break and look forward to seeing you all back at school on Monday 31st October.

10.10.17 and 17.10.17



SHINING STARS were awarded to: Demi, Neve, Jessica J, Reggie, Leon, Joshua A and Archie P



MERITS were awarded to, Darcey, Lacey, Mia A, Melissa, Samuel, Leon, Natalie, Isabelle, Benji, Lily-Anne, Jack G, Juan, Alfie, Clemmie, Joel, Ava, Alex, Betsy, Max W, Demi, Tallulah, Cameron C, Oscar W, Ella, Cassie, Nathaniel, Stanley, Annabella, Leyla, Emma, Vinnie, Joshua A, Leon, Tabitha, Abbie H, Summer, Isadora, Rhianna, Melissa, Alyssa, Jack C, Joleon and Chloe E

A THOUGHT TO SHARE - "It takes courage to grow up and become who you really are."

— E.E. Cummings