Newsletter 29th January 2018

SPRING			
TERM 2018			
JANUARY			
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			
Thursday 1	Football Match	Home kick off at 3.30pm	Aston v Walkern School. All supporters welcome. Pick up by 4.30pm
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	PTFA Valentines Disco	School Hall	KS1 5.15pm - 6.15pm KS2 6.30pm - 7.30pm
	Half term begins	3.15pm	
Monday 19	Back to school		
MARCH			
Thursday 1	World Book Day		Details to follow
Friday 9	Mothering Service	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.
	Quiz Night	7pm	In school hall. Teams of up to 8 people.
Sunday 11	Royal Albert Hall Gala	Choir attending	Final details to follow
Thursday 22	Parents Evening	Classroom 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 decorating competition Egg rolling competition	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 home and bring it into school with them on Friday morning and these will be judged in their classes. 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. (Top Tip: try not to stick too much on the eggs when decorating them as they don't roll very well!) Prizes are given to the most interestingly decorated egg
			Prizes are given to the most interestingly decorated egg and also the egg that goes the furthest. There are not many eggs that survive the egg rolling

			competition so they are disposed of at school.	
	Easter Holidays begin	1pm		
SPRING TERM				
APRIL				
Tuesday 17	Back to school			

Dates and events are subject to change.

ACADEMIC YEAR 2017/18

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

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.

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SPRING 2018 1ST 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 2nd 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

Absences

If your child is absent from school, please contact the school the morning of the absence before 9.30am informing the office of the reason. You may contact the school via the Gateway App leaving a message, email to admin2@astonmarys.herts.sch.uk or if you inform the school by phone you will need to come to the school office to complete a Reason For Absence Form when your child returns to school.

EASYFUNDING - an easy way to raise funds for our school

Thank you to those who have already registered with Easyfundraising. If you haven't yet please consider helping out our school by registering on www.easyfundraising.org.uk and name our school. Every time you do online shopping with companies like John Lewis, Amazon and many more, you will raise funds for our school. Once registered, you just log into Easyfundraising, select the company you want to online shop with and they take you to the site. When you place an order the company then donate a percentage to our school - it does not cost you a penny and is really easy to do. Please share with friends and families to help us raise extra funds for our pupils!

FOOTBALL REFEREE WANTED FOR OUR SCHOOL GAMES

Does anyone know a football referee who would be prepared to referee our home school football matches? Perhaps a parent or friend or someone taking PE in GCSE or A-Level. If you know anyone who may be interested, please ask them to contact Mr Bower or Mrs Winwood. Our football team will then have the benefit of Mr Bower being allowed to coach, rather than referee.

MP - Mr Stephen McPartland visited out school on Friday to talk to the children and hand out the badges to our new School Councillors. The children were a credit to our school and asked some very interesting questions. Well done to Alex and Natalie (Danes), Kasey and Luca (Haffydown), Poppy and Danny (Orchards), Charlie and Jessica (Peartree) for being elected onto our School Council.

23.01.18

SHINING STARS were awarded to LJ and Rosie

MERITS were awarded Joshua H, Natalie, Eban, Max W, Jamie, Sophie, Summer, Harry M, Charlie A, Ray, Lola, Leyla, George S, Tallulah, Hanna C, Lucas C, Emma H, Nathan, Alyssa, Connie, Ava, Jack Cosham and Archie F.

A THOUGHT TO SHARE: "Love all, trust a few, do wrong to none."

— William Shakespeare, All's Well That Ends Well