

Newsletter 21th September 2018

DATE	EVENT	TIME	COMMENTS
AUTUMN TERM			
SEPTEMBER			
Tuesday 25	Secondary School Open evenings	Marriotts 6-9pm	Heads talks at 6.15pm, 7.00pm & 7.45pm. Please see the schools own website.
Thursday 27	Danes Class Visit	Leave school at 9.00am	Visit to the Natural History Museum London. Pick up between 4.30pm and 5pm. Disposable packed lunch with no fizzy drinks or chocolate. Suitable waterproof jacket in case of adverse weather.
	Secondary School Open evenings	John Henry Newman RC 5.30pm - 7.30pm	Heads talks at 7.30pm. Please see the schools own website.
Friday 28	Quiz Night		Details to follow
OCTOBER			
Tuesday 2	Harvest Festival 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.
Thursday 4	Secondary School Open evenings	The Barclay 6-9pm	Heads talks at 6.15pm, 7.15pm & 8pm. Please see the schools own website
Thursday 11	Parents Evening	Classroom from 3.20pm to 8.50pm	Details to follow
Friday 12	Non-uniform day		Non-uniform Day for the donation towards books for school
Thursday 18	Orchard Class	Leave school at 9.15am	Visit to the British School Museum Hitchin. Pick up normal time. Disposable packed lunch with no fizzy drinks or chocolate. Suitable waterproof jacket in case of adverse weather.
Monday 22 - Friday 26	Danes go to PGL		
Friday 26	Half Term begins at 3.15pm		
Wednesday 31	Closing date for Secondary School applications		
NOVEMBER			
Monday 5	Back to school		
	Online applications open		For September 2018 Under 11 Admissions

Dates and events are subject to change.

ACADEMIC YEAR 2018/19

Autumn Term

Tuesday, 4 September 2018 to Friday, 21 December 2018

Half Term Break - Monday, 29 October 2018 to Friday, 2 November 2018

Occasional Day - Monday, 26 November 2018 - **SCHOOL CLOSED**

Spring Term

Tuesday, 8 January 2019 to Friday, 5 April 2019

Half Term - Monday, 18 February 2019 to Friday, 22 February 2019

Summer Term

Tuesday, 23 April 2019 to Friday, 19 July 2019

Bank Holiday - Monday, 6 May 2019 - **SCHOOL CLOSED**

Half Term Break - Monday, 27 May 2019 to Friday, 31 May 2019

Inset Days - **SCHOOL CLOSED**

Inset day - Monday, 3 September 2018

Inset day - Monday, 7 January 2019

Inset Days - Monday, 22 July 2019 to Wednesday, 24 July 2019 inclusive

DINNER MONEY

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. The cost per meal is £2.50.

04.09.18 to 26.10.18 inclusive

All week	(39 meals)	£97.50
Wednesday	(8 meals)	£20.00
Friday only	(8 meals)	£20.00
Wed & Fri	(16 meals)	£40.00

AUTUMN 2nd HALF TERM £2.50 per meal

05.11.18 to 21.12.18 inclusive

All week	(34 meals)	£85.00
Wednesday	(7 meals)	£17.50
Friday only	(7 meals)	£17.50
Wed & Fri	(14 meals)	£35.00

Our Value this half-term is: FRIENDSHIP

TRIAL BREAKFAST CLUB

Our new breakfast club trial has started. There are still spaces available, if you wish for your child to join in. Your child can be dropped off at the office from 8am to 8:45am. Places need to be booked and paid for in advance. Please see Christine for further details. Moving forward the Breakfast Club will only be allowed to continue if we have enough children in to cover the costs.

PTFA

If our PTFA is to continue we need to appoint a new committee. Please try and come along to our AGM on 1st October at 6pm in school, even if you can only help out with an hour or two for some of the events. As a parent you are automatically a member of our PTFA. The PTFA has raised significant funding over the last few years, allowing us to provide our pupils with the little extras (as well as supporting our brand-new heating project), which the main school budget could not afford. The PTFA also provide social events, helping our families to get to know each other and become friends outside school. Hopefully, with new parents onboard, we will be able to continue raising these much needed funds for your children.

QUIZ NIGHT - NEXT FRIDAY EVENING IN THE SCHOOL HALL

We will be holding a quiz night (adults only) on Friday 28th September in the school hall, with a 7:30pm start. The evening is always good fun, with people bringing along their own food and drink. The cost is £6 per adult, with teams being of 6-8 people. If you cannot make up a team, please just come along and we will add you to one of the teams. Tables can be booked on astonquiz@gmail.com We do hope you can join us, as previously it has provided good entertainment for all!

MRS LALE BEGINS HER MATERNITY LEAVE

Mrs Lale will not be in school for a little while now, as she is beginning her maternity leave today. The children have all suggested names for her new baby. We look forward to hearing the name Mr and Mrs Lale choose and her bringing her new baby into school soon.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY APPOINTED SCHOOL COUNCILLORS

The children have selected their new class representatives on the new School Council. Congratulations to Max Woodford, Lacey Roblett, Jake Avis, Tallulah Trotman, Lj Brinham, Ava Keeler, Jack Mansell-Baker and Mia Abbott for being selected. Our MP, Mr Stephen McPartland, will be in school to discuss democracy and to give out their new badges. We look forward to working with the new School Council to continue improving our school for our pupils.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

The children's Christmas card designs will be coming out next Friday 28th September. Please return your order forms to the school office **before Monday 8th October** to ensure your order will be sent off via the school. Any late returns will not be able to be processed by the school and will be your responsibility to contact the card company direct.

18.09.18



SHINING STARS were awarded to Poppy F, Isabelle and Tallulah.



MERITS were awarded to Finley T, Ruby, Melissa, Jessica J, Finley P-W, Cameron, Freddie, Nathan, Josh H, Lacey, Vinnie, Tabitha, Juan and Aidan S.

THOUGHT TO SHARE: FRIENDSHIP MEANS BEING KIND TO YOUR FRIENDS
(Emma - Y6 Danes Class)