

## Newsletter 8th March 2019

DATE	EVENT	TIME	COMMENTS
<b>SPRING TERM</b>			
<b>MARCH</b>			
Friday 15	Red Nose Day		Children are invited to come into school in non-uniform and if they want - crazy hair for £1 donation to the charity.
Tuesday 19	K'nex Challenge		
Thursday 21	Parents Evening	Classroom from 3.20pm to 8.50pm	Book your appointment on <a href="http://astonstmaryschurchofengland.parentseveningsystem.co.uk">http://astonstmaryschurchofengland.parentseveningsystem.co.uk</a> <b>The system will open on Friday 15th March at 6pm and will close on Wednesday 20th March at 3pm.</b>
Friday 29	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.
	PTFA Mother's Day Gift sale	2pm onwards	A lovely selection of presents for £3. Money must be sent to the school office in a marked envelope with your child's name and class by Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March. (Money received after this date does not guarantee a gift).
	Last Day of Clubs for this term		
<b>APRIL</b>			
Monday 1	Reward Day		
Tuesday 2	Easter breakfast		
Friday 5	Easter 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.
	Easter egg decorating competition Egg rolling competition		The children need to decorate a <b>HARD BOILED EGG</b> 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 competition where the children roll their decorated eggs down a slope in the playground to see whose goes the furthest. <b>(Top Tip: try not to stick too much on the eggs when decorating them as they don't roll very well!)</b> 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.
	PTFA Easter Egg Hunt	1pm School Field	The PTFA will be organizing an Easter Egg Hunt on Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> April once school finishes at 1pm. Cost is £1 per child & siblings are also welcome to join in the fun. There will also be raffle tickets, cakes and refreshments for sale. We kindly ask for Easter raffle prize donations in advance of this event. These can be taken into the office between now and the end of term. Cake donations would also be greatly appreciated and can be brought into school on the Friday morning. Please let us know if you are able to help at this event.

Friday 5	Easter Holidays begin	1pm	
<b>SUMMER TERM</b>			
<b>APRIL</b>			
Tuesday 16	Allocation Day for u11's		Middle and Primary Schools
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Friday 26	Rising Stars		Football Club
<b>MAY</b>			
<b>Monday 6</b>	<b>School Closed</b>	<b>Bank Holiday</b>	
Thursday 9	School		Class photographs
Thursday 7	World Book Day		Details to follow
Monday 13	Year 6 SATS		
Tuesday 14	Happy Bag Collection	Collection will be at 9.00am	If you have any clothes that you would like to donate please leave them in a plastic bag under the bike shelter.
Saturday 18	Family Bingo	2pm to 4pm	Entrance is free, you just need to purchase your bingo strips on the day. £2 per strip or £10 for 6 strips. There will refreshments being served for a donation and also raffle tickets for sale on the day.
Thursday 23	Open Morning	10.30am - 11.30am	All welcome to come and see your children's work
<b>Friday 24</b>	<b>Half term begins</b>	<b>3.15pm</b>	
<b>JUNE</b>			
<b>Monday 3</b>	<b>Back to school</b>		
Monday 10	Year 1 Phonics Testing week		
Thursday 20	Travelling Book Fayre		Details to follow
Friday 21	Whole School Sports Day	9.30am on the school playing field	All Parents and families are welcome to come and support. PTFA to provide refreshments on the day. Cake donations required. Please bring along any donations on Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June
Friday 28	Whole School Sports Day - RESERVE DAY	9.30am on the school playing field	All Parents and families are welcome to come and support.

Friday 14	PTFA Father's Day Gift sale		A lovely selection of presents for £3. <b>Money must be sent to the school office in a marked envelope with your child's name and class by Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June.</b> (Money received after this date does not guarantee a gift).
<b>JULY</b>			
Sunday 7	Aston Village Fete	12pm-3.15pm School Field	If you are able to help run a stall, set up or clear away, then please contact Terry Reed, Sarah Cooper or the school office. All help is greatly appreciated.
Tuesday 2	Inter-village Sports day	Aston St Marys Primary	Details to follow - the have not yet been selected.
Monday 8- Friday 12	Yr6 Cycling Course begins	School playground	
Thursday 11	Change over day	am	Where children visit their new class/school.
<b>Friday 12</b>	Reward Day		
	Rising Stars last day		
Monday 15	Happy Bag Collection	Collection will be at 9.00am	If you have any clothes that you would like to donate please leave them in a plastic bag under the bike shelter.
	Summer concert Dress rehearsal	am	
Tuesday 16	Summer Concert	1.30pm School Hall 6pm School Hall	Information about tickets to follow. Please park in the village Hall carpark
Wednesday 17	Summer Concert	6pm School Hall	Information about tickets to follow Please park in the village Hall carpark.
Friday 19	Leavers Service	9.30am Aston 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.
	<b>Summer Holidays start</b>	<b>School finishes 1pm</b>	
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>			
<b>Tuesday 3</b>	Back to school		

**Dates and events are subject to change.**

## **ACADEMIC YEAR 2018/19**

### **Spring Term 2019**

Tuesday, 8 January 2019 to Friday, 5 April 2019

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

### **Summer Term 2019**

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

## Our Value this half-term is: **HONESTY**

### 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.

### SPRING 2<sup>nd</sup> HALF TERM £2.50 per meal

25.02.19 to 05.04.19 inclusive

All week	(30 meals)	£75.00
Wednesday	(6 meals)	£15.00
Friday only	(6 meals)	£15.00
Wed & Fri	(12 meals)	£30.00

### WELCOME

We would like to welcome Mr Boyington Teacher Students to Aston St Mary's Primary School. Mr Boyington will be teaching in Danes Class until 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019.

### HOUSE POINT WINNERS

House point winners last half term were Hawking House (Green) with 119. These pupils will be allowed to wear non-uniform on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March. We wait to see this half term's reward as it will be something special.

### RED NOSE DAY FRIDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2019

Children are invited to come into school in non-uniform and if they want - crazy hair for £1 donation to the charity.

### ENTRANCE AND OFFICE IMPROVEMENTS

The diocese has kindly allocated funding for our school to make improvements to the school entrance, office and adult toilets. Limited work will be beginning in the back office next week. Other works may be carried out over some of the next weekends. The majority of the work will be completed over the Easter holiday. Therefore, music lessons and any meetings will be taking place in another part of the school.

### BEANE VALLEY BENEFICE LENT SERVICES & EVENTS



**Jars of Change**  
Lent Appeal 2019

**Give up** something for Lent, **give** money you save to Water Aid to provide clean water to poor communities. **Save lives.** Bring filled **Jars of Change** (any size) to school, church or Watton Rectory for **Easter Day**

**Lent Challenge:** Check out **40 Acts** [www.40acts.org.uk](http://www.40acts.org.uk) kids and adults

**Ash Wednesday 6th March 7 30 pm** St Mary's **Stapleford** short sung service of Holy Communion with (optional) imposing of ashes.

**Lent Film 12<sup>th</sup> March 2pm Watton Rectory...** watch and discuss *with cakes!*

**Lent Lunch 28<sup>th</sup> March 12 to 2pm Watton Rectory** simple soups and bread. Donations Christian Aid Lent typhoon appeal.



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**Taize Services** - song, readings and silence for Lent **4<sup>th</sup> April 2pm** St Mary's **Aston 8<sup>th</sup> April 8pm** St Michael and All Angels

**Waterford Course for Lent 10 - 11am Bramfield Church** All are welcome.

Come to as many sessions as you can. Refreshments provided.

**Lent Cross** Look out for weekly changes to the large Lent Crosses outside our village churches (explained in Parish News + on the cross)

### **SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE for Parents who have lost children**

There will be a service of remembrance for parents who have lost a child, of any age. This is an opportunity to remember and pray for your children and spend a few moments quiet with other parents who are grieving. The service is being held at 3pm Sunday 10th March 2019 at St Mary the Virgin Stapleford.

**01.03.19 and 08.03.19**



**SHINING STARS** were awarded to Alyssa.



**MERITS** were awarded to Mia, Benji, Annabella, Ethan R, Daniel, LJ, Harry M and Max vdB.

**THOUGHT TO SHARE: 'Forgiveness is when you forgive someone if they do something wrong and they forgive us if we do something wrong...'** (Melissa - Danes class)