

Newsletter 26th April 2019

APRIL			
Monday 29	Clubs start this week		(not netball club)
	Year 4 & 5 Swimming		Swimming starts for Year 4 & 5. Normal costumes no tankinis or bikinis. Swimming hats to be worn.
MAY			
Monday 6	School Closed	Bank Holiday	
Thursday 9	School		Class photographs
	Netball After school club starts		
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
Friday 24	Half term begins	3.15pm	
JUNE			
Monday 3	Back to school		
Tuesday 4	Music Concert	6pm in School Hall	Parents of children in years 2,3,4,5,6, The choir and orchestra will perform. Children who have lessons will also be performing.
Monday 10	Year 1 Phonics Testing week		
Friday 14	PTFA Father's Day Gift sale		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 10th June. (Money received after this date does not guarantee a gift).
Wednesday 19	Stevenage Festival	Details to follow	The choir and orchestra are taking part in Stevenage Festival
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 th June
Friday 28	Whole School Sports Day - RESERVE	9.30am on the school playing	All Parents and families are welcome to come and support.

	DAY	field	
Friday 28	Music Quiz Night	7.30pm in School Hall	Adults only teams of up to eight players. £6 per person to reserve a table contact Terry at astonquiz@gmail.com
JULY			
Tuesday 2	Inter-village Sports day	Aston St Marys Primary	Details to follow - the team have not yet been selected.
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.
Monday 8 - 12	Year 6		Year 6 taking part in Bikeability Level 3
Thursday 11	Change over day	am	Children visit their new class/school.
Friday 12	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.
	Summer Holidays start	School finishes 1pm	
SEPTEMBER			
Tuesday 3	Back to school		

Dates and events are subject to change.

ACADEMIC YEAR 2018/19

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: PATIENCE

WELCOME TO MRS ECKLAND OUR NEW HAFFYDOWN TEACHER

The children have enjoyed their first week in Haffydown Class with their new teacher Mrs Eckland. It was lovely for so many parents to come along to the coffee morning to meet her - so thank you for making her feel so welcomed. Please go and say hello when you see Mrs Eckland around the school.

CLUBS

After school clubs will start the week commencing Monday 29th April, except Netball club which will start Thursday 9th May.

Red Nose Day

Thank you everyone for helping us raise £118.15 for Red Nose Day

Junior Tennis Coaching

Aston Tennis Club are offering subsidised junior coaching for years 1 - 6. It's a 12 week course (that started on 22nd April). Sessions are held on a Tuesday afternoon with years 1-3 starting at 4 pm and years 4-6 starting at 5pm. The course is taken by a professional tennis coach supplied by an organisation called over & in (see link below).

The cost of the course is £54 but Aston tennis club subsidise each child by £15 each so the true cost to you is just £39. You can book on line using the link below or if you would like any further information then please call Graham Ellis on 07733 306 866

<https://overandin.com/clubs/aston/>

Aston Tennis Club is located at the bottom of Dene Lane which is the road on the right after the church as you are leaving the village.

THANK YOU TO THE DIOCESE OF ST ALBANS

We would like to thank our diocese for funding our new entrance, office area and adult toilets. The work has made a real difference to our school entrance and brightened up our school. Visitors have commented that our school now looks more welcoming. So, thank you to the diocese for helping to continue our school improvements.

MUSIC QUIZ NIGHT

Mr Preston is kindly holding another music quiz night on Friday 28th June at 7:30pm. Adults only - teams of up to eight players. £6 per person. Bring your own drinks and snacks. To reserve a table contact Terry at astonquiz@gmail.com

SCHOOL DINNERS

Please be advised that payments are due in advance. HCL have informed us that there will be a price rise as of 1st April 2019 by 10p per meal, the cost will now be £2.60.

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 £2.60 per meal

SUMMER 1ST HALF TERM

23.04.19 to 24.05.19 inclusive

All week	(23 meals)	£59.80
Wednesday	(5 meals)	£13.00

Friday only	(5 meals)	£13.00
Wed & Fri	(10 meals)	£26.00

SUMMER 2nd HALF TERM £2.60 per meal

03.06.19 to 19.07.19 inclusive

All week	(35 meals)	£91.00
Wednesday	(7 meals)	£18.20
Friday only	(7 meals)	£18.20
Wed & Fri	(14 meals)	£36.40

SUMMER TERM £2.60 per meal

17.04.18 to 20.07.18 inclusive

All week	(58 meals)	£150.80
Wednesday	(12 meals)	£31.20
Friday only	(12 meals)	£31.20
Wed & Fri	(24 meals)	£62.40

NEW SCHOOL DINNER MENU

Herts Catering will be implementing their new menu for the summer term. You can view the menu on our website.

Finally, Mr Bower said thank you to all for your generous gift of a family trip to Chessington World of Adventures and asked us to forward you some photographs. The photographs will be sent out in a separate Parentmail very soon. His family had a lovely time and his new job has started very well.

THOUGHT TO SHARE: 'Patience is to wait a long time for something...' Danny Brett (Haffydown Class)