

'So, chosen by God for this new life of love, dress in the wardrobe God picked out for you: compassion, kindness, humility, quiet strength, discipline.' Colossians 3

Good to be back - we hope the children have had a good summer holiday.

It was wonderful to see the children return to school this morning and especially lovely to see our new reception class join us. Everyone has settled really quickly and there was a wonderfully, purposeful atmosphere throughout the school. We are really excited about the year ahead.

This term we are offering a range of after-school extra-curricular activities. Once again we are really grateful to the teaching staff who run the clubs. If your child would like to attend a club they must collect a letter from Mrs Dunbar and return it to her as soon as possible. The numbers able to attend some clubs are restricted so please return the form as soon as possible. Clubs are as follows:

Monday	Tuesday	Thursday	Friday
Cross Country for Years 3 – 6 3.15 – 4.15pm No limit	Music Club for Years 3 – 6 3.15 – 4.15pm Max - 20	Voice Club for Years 3 – 6 3.15 – 4.10pm Max - 30	Homework Club for Years 3 – 6 3.15 – 4.15pm No limit
Wild Maths Club for Years 3 – 5 (Invitation) 3.15 – 4.15pm	Craft and Cookery for Years 2 – 4 3.15 – 4.15pm Max - 20	Forest School Club for Reception – Year 2 3.15 – 4.15pm Max - 20	Football Club for Year 3 – 6 3.15 – 4.15pm Max - 30
High 5 for Years 4 – 6 3.15 – 4.15pm Max - 20	Gymnastics Club Years 3 – 4 3.15 – 4.15pm Max - 15	CLUBS START NEXT WEEK	

School Term dates for the year
2017 – 18

Autumn term 2017

Tuesday 5th September –
Wednesday 20th December
Half term – 23 – 27th October

Spring term 2018

Thursday 4th January – Thursday
29th March

Half term – 12 – 16th February

NON-PUPIL DAY ON 9TH

FEBRUARY

(Parent Consultation Day)

Summer term 2018

Monday 16th April – Friday 20th
July

Half term 29th May – 1st June

NON-PUPIL DAYS ON 25TH MAY

AND 23RD AND 24TH JULY

**Maintained schools are open to
pupils for 190 days of the year.**

We hope that this will assist
families in planning holidays that
coincide with the school
holidays.

Dates for this term

Friday 29th September – Harvest Festival Service at St Stephen's
Church. 1.45pm.

4th & 5th October – Parent Consultations. 3.45pm – 6.30pm

1st November – All Saints Day Eucharist in School at 9.15am.

Everyone welcome.

4th – 8th December – Advent Prayer Spaces in School.

13th & 14th December – Christmas Productions

19th December – Christingle Service at St Stephens for all KS2
children.

Further information for each event will follow.

SWIMMING LESSONS

Despite some generous donations towards the cost of
swimming last year, the money raised in voluntary
contributions still fell far short of the costs incurred and for the
second year the shortfall had to be met from the school's
budget. The Governors have however agreed that we should
continue to organise school swimming lessons for one more
year. This term Years 2 and 6 will be swimming on Friday
morning, starting next week. In the spring term Years 3 and 4
will go swimming and in the summer term Years 1 and 5. We
hope that you will feel able to support this through voluntary
contributions which cover the cost of the pool hire and 2 of
the 3 swimming teachers / instructors. We believe they provide
excellent value for money. It is so rewarding to see the
children's confidence and skills grow over the 10 sessions.