

14 September 2012

Newsletter No 2



Dear Parents/Carers

**200 Year Celebration Church Service**

To celebrate 200 years of St Mary’s School there will be a service, led by the Bishop of Birmingham, at St Mary’s Church on Wednesday 19 September 2012 at 11:00am. Jackie Hughes, Diocese Director of Education, will also be attending the service. We would like to see as many parents as possible at the service. Ex parents and pupils are also welcome to attend.

**Celebration Assembly**

The following children will receive certificates for good work and behaviour in the Celebration Assembly on Monday 17 September 2012. Parents/Carers are welcome to attend.

<b>Ameera Abbas Nursery</b> For being kind and thoughtful by helping another child	<b>Kyas-Shélah Lescott-Anderson RW</b> For counting 20 objects accurately and independently	<b>Ali Hassan RB</b> For following our class rules beautifully
<b>Hujaynah Asad 1C</b> For writing a brilliant ‘Wanted’ poster	<b>D’Andre Clarke 1/2L</b> For working hard to sequence numbers	<b>Zuhairra Ali-Khan 2S</b> For a lovely start to her new class and school
<b>Arun Fitzpatrick 3L</b> For a great start to year 3 and working hard all the time	<b>Imani Brown 3/4B</b> For working hard to describe a setting independently	<b>Indervir Sekhon 4J</b> For writing a fantastic descriptive story ending
<b>Elizabeth Kenyon 5W</b> For settling into her new school and trying hard with her work	<b>Oyinde Bascombe 5/6B</b> For working hard in all areas	<b>Jayden Taylor-Richards 6S</b> For his excellent letter in literacy

**Weekly Certificates**

Lining Up	6S
Spick and Span	RW & RB
Movement Bird	3L & 5/6B
Attendance	3L
Dinner Time	Yummy Bear goes to 4J Runners up - 3L

**Kind and Thoughtful Person**

The following children will receive the ‘Kind and Thoughtful’ certificate and care of a cuddly dog. The award will be presented in Celebration Assembly on Monday 17 September 2012. The lucky children will also have fruit and milk with Mrs Packer in her office.



KS1
<b>D’Andre Clarke 1/2L</b> For helping a reception child pour some water at lunchtime

KS2
<b>Jaidon Crawford 5/6B</b> For recognising the talents of another child and nominating them for a job in their absence



## P E Timetable

Below is a table showing when your child's class will be having P E lessons. Could you please make sure your child has their P E kit on the appropriate days. Thank you.

<b>Indoor</b>				
	<b>Session 1</b>	<b>Session 2</b>	<b>Session 3</b>	<b>Session 4</b>
<b>Monday</b>			1C	
<b>Tuesday</b>		Nursery am	1/2L	Nursery pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	3L		RW	6S
<b>Thursday</b>	3/4B		RB	4J
<b>Friday</b>		2S	5W	

<b>Outdoor</b>				
	<b>Session 1</b>	<b>Session 2</b>	<b>Session 3</b>	<b>Session 4</b>
<b>Monday</b>		3L		
<b>Tuesday</b>		3/4B	6S	
<b>Wednesday</b>		4J	2S	
<b>Thursday</b>		5/6B	1/2L	
<b>Friday</b>		5W	1C	

## Overview of Topics

Attached is an overview of the topics your child will be learning this academic year. I hope this will be useful when helping your child with his/her learning at home.

## Term Dates

Half Term	Children break up on <b>Friday 19 October 2012</b> and return to school on <b>Monday 29 October 2011</b>
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Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

*Ava Sturridge-Packer*

Mrs Ava Sturridge-Packer CBE  
Head Teacher

	<b>Autumn Term</b>	<b>Spring Term</b>	<b>Summer Term</b>
<b>Nursery</b>	All about me Lets Celebrate	Identifying and sorting materials Moving things	Light and sound Come outside
<b>Reception</b>	Ourselves Festivals and Celebrations	Sorting and changing materials Push, pull, twist and turn	Light, sound and colour The outdoor classroom

<b>Years 1 &amp; 2</b>	<b>Autumn Term</b>	<b>Spring Term</b>	<b>Summer Term</b>
<b>Literacy</b>	Familiar settings Range of cultures Predictable patterns Information writing Instructions Poetry	Traditional stories & fairy tales Stories about fantasy words Non chronological reports Explanations Poetry	Plays Extended stories Significant authors Recounts Poetry
<b>Mathematics</b>	Shape 2D & 3D Money Addition & subtraction Number bonds to 20	Measure Multiplication & division Telling the time	Addition, subtraction, multiplication & division Graphs & money
<b>Science</b>	Ourselves & senses Grouping & scoring Materials	Push & pull Habitats in the environment	Using electricity Life cycles of animals.

<b>Years 3 &amp; 4</b>	<b>Autumn Term</b>	<b>Spring Term</b>	<b>Summer Term</b>
<b>English</b>	Familiar settings Poetry Information writing	Stories from other cultures Instructions	Dialogue & plays Report writing Adventure & mystery
<b>Mathematics</b>	Place value Multiplication Rounding	Mental calculations Shape Problem solving	Written methods Data handling measures
<b>Science</b>	Magnets & springs Electricity	Characteristics of materials Rocks & soils	Habitats Moving & growing

<b>Years 5 &amp; 6</b>	<b>Autumn Term</b>	<b>Spring Term</b>	<b>Summer Term</b>
<b>English</b>	Myths & legends Reports/ explanations Narrative poems	Dramatic conventions Biography/autobiogr aphy Poetry - the power of imagery	Authors/extending narrative Persuasive writing Journalistic writing
<b>Mathematics</b>	Problems Mental maths	Addition & subtraction to include worked problems Mental calculations	Distance Mental maths Understanding shape 3D including quadrilaterals
<b>Science</b>	Changing circuits Changing state (solids, liquids & gas)	Forces (balanced and unbalanced forces)	How plants and animals adapt to their environment Life cycle of flowers/plants