



Newsletter No: 1

7th September 2018

Dear Parents,

Welcome Back!

We hope you have all had a wonderful summer holiday but are looking forward to getting back into a normal routine again – I know we are.

A big thank you to all the staff who came into school over the holidays to ensure the school was 'learning ready'.

We would like to welcome Mrs Brown, who has transferred from Magdalen, as Teaching Assistant in the Ladybirds class. On Wednesday staff from our three schools and King's Oak came together to update their safeguarding training and further discuss and plan 'QUEST Time'. (You may have previously heard us talking about Ice Zones).

We are always trying to find new ways of making learning engaging and challenging for our children and believe QUEST time is the way forward. This will provide our children with more opportunities to problems solve, reason, investigate and become creative within their topic learning while allowing teachers to further target groups of children with their Maths and English. Look out for information about the upcoming 'Parent Welcome Meetings' where you will be able to learn more about QUEST time.

Here's to an exciting year ahead!

Mrs Arrowsmith and Miss Hayes

Next Week...

Tues – Fireflies Swimming
Tues – Fireflies Welcome Meeting at 2.45pm
Wed – Ladybirds Welcome Meeting at 2.45pm
Thurs – Dragonflies Welcome Meeting at 2.45pm



Afterschool Clubs

The new Afterschool brochure came out TODAY ready to start on Monday 10th September with new and returning activities. Please ensure your child has the right equipment for their clubs;

Monday Drama

Tuesday Hockey – Suitable PE Kit.

Wednesday Sportshall Athletics – Suitable PE Kit.

Thursday Recorders.

Friday Football – Football boots/trainers and shin pads – you will not be allowed to play football if you do not have the right equipment!

Please remember childcare is available, please collect booking forms from the school office.

Please note;

Drama starts Monday 17th September.

There is no recorder club on Thursday 11th November due to a Friends of the School Film Night.

Fireflies Swimming



Fireflies children are swimming every Tuesday at St James pool for this half term starting Tuesday 11th September.

Please remember to bring your kit every Tuesday; **costume/trunks, hat & towel**, they do not need armbands as the pool supplies those, however all children must wear a swimming hat and we advise you to purchase one beforehand. We have also been advised by the swimming pool staff that children must not wear earrings during their swimming lessons. Therefore we ask that you remove your child's earrings before bringing them to school Tuesday mornings – The only exception to this is if ears have been pierced less than 6 weeks. Goggles are not needed for lessons, but may be worn for a medical reason. Please speak to the school office if your child needs to wear goggles.



PE Day and Kit

We now have PE with sports coaches on a Wednesday, however please make sure that PE Kits are in school all week. Your child's PE kit should consist of;

- Plimsolls (trainers for outdoors)
- Royal Blue T-shirt
- Royal Blue/Navy or Black PE Shorts
- School Sweatshirt or Tracksuit

Thank you

Pupil Progress Meetings

Pupil Progress Meeting information letters have gone out today. If you do not receive your letter, or if you have any questions about your appointment please see the school office. Thank you

Pupil Progress Meeting Grid				
	Meeting 1	Meeting 2	Meeting 3	Meeting 4
	Week Beginning			
Red	24/09/18	07/01/19	04/03/19	20/05/19
Orange	01/10/18	14/01/19	11/03/19	03/06/19
Yellow	08/10/18	21/01/19	18/03/19	10/06/19
Green	29/10/18	28/01/19	25/03/19	17/06/19
Blue	05/11/18	04/02/19	01/04/19	24/06/19



Parents as Partners

Diary Dates:

September 2018

**Fireflies swimming this half term on Tuesdays at
Alive St James Pool starting Tuesday 11th September 2018**

Thurs 6th ~ Back to School

Mon 10th ~ Reception ~ New Intake Starts AM only

Mon 10th ~ Pre School Starts

Tues 11th ~ Fireflies Welcome Meeting at 2.45pm

Wed 12th ~ Ladybirds Welcome Meeting at 2.45pm

Thurs 13th ~ Dragonflies Welcome Meeting at 2.45pm

Mon 17th ~ Reception Class stay all Day

Mon 24th ~ Year 6 PE and Science Event at KLA

Mon 24th ~ Harvest Festival - TBC

October 2018

Thurs 11th ~ Friends of the School Film Night

Fri 12th ~ KWEST Together Event

Wed 17th ~ Break up for Half Term

Mon 29th ~ Back to School

Mon 29th ~ Prêt-a-Portrait School Photographs

December 2018

Tues 18th ~ Break up for Christmas

January 2019

Thurs 3rd ~ Back to School