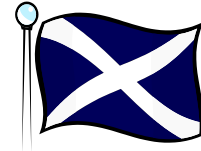


Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2018



## Newsletter 14



*Every child fulfilling their potential in a nurturing learning environment underpinned by Christian values.*

### School Discos Coming Up!

Just to make you aware, there will be two school discos on **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December**. The first disco will take place after lunch and will be for Reception Class and Classes 1 and 2. The disco will finish by the end of the school day. To avoid the need to get changed, children in Reception Class and Classes 1 and 2 can come to school in their party clothes for the day.

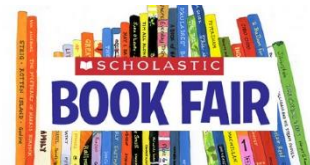
The second disco will be for Key Stage 2 children, beginning at 3.30pm and finishing at 5.00pm. Key Stage 2 children will need to wear their school uniform during the school day. If the children are attending the KS2 disco, teachers will give them time to change before the end of the school day. Permission letters went out this week



I would like to thank STAA for paying for the discos and providing all the drinks and snacks.

### Scholastic Book Fair - A Big Thank You

Thank you to all who came to the bookfair and made a purchase. The school has now received £530 in new books for the 7 classes. Also a big thank you to my Y6 helpers. Mrs Munden



### Christmas Fair Thank you

I would like to say a great big thank you to everyone involved with this year's Christmas Fair. Staff and volunteers did a wonderful job setting up the fair. Before the fair started, STAA had raised over £1000 in raffle ticket sales – incredible! Thank you parents and carers for donating prizes for the raffles and stalls. But most of all, thank you children for reminding us how special Christmas can be.

I'll announce the total raised in next week's newsletter.

This Week's Celebration Assembly



We have had lots to celebrate this week. Every child in Reception Class received their first merit certificate, 3 children received My Lexia awards, 5 children have completed their Star Maths books, 4 children have completed their next spelling book, 1 child has moved up in swimming, lots of children have achieved their silver merit awards, lots of children in Classes 5 and 6 have improved their maths and one boy ran a half marathon for charity.





### Finally...

**Just a couple of reminders:**

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December**

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December**

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December**

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December**

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December**

**Mr Hayward**

**Christmas Discos**

**Reception Class and KS1 Christmas Performances**

**Abecedarian (Special) Assembly – parent invites have gone out – 2.30pm start**

**Mid-Term reports out to parents**

**No morning break sales (snacks) sold for the rest of the week**

**School Christmas dinner**

**KS2 carol service in St Andrew's Church – 10.00 a.m. start – families welcome**

**Talent Show**

**Christmas themed non uniform day**

**School closes at 2.30pm**

**School bus collects children at 2.30pm**

**CHILL closes at 5.00pm**



## Advent Prayers

### Week 1 - Hope

Dear Jesus, you are the hope in our messy world. This Advent, help us slow down, listen to your voice, and focus on what's really important. We place our hope in you as we prepare our hearts to celebrate your birth on Christmas. Amen.

### Week 2 - Peace

Dear Jesus, you entered our world on Christmas as the Prince of Peace. This Advent, as we strive to become the-best-version-of-ourselves, fill us with a deep and abiding peace. Help us share that peace with everyone we encounter, especially those who need it most. Amen.



### Week 3 - Joy

Dear Jesus, help us focus on you during this busy season. May we stay aware of the joy you bring into our lives. We want to find you in the everyday moments and come with hearts of gratitude to your manger on Christmas. Amen.

### Week 4 – Love

Dear Jesus, may the light of your love always shine in our hearts. As Christmas draws closer, we marvel at your great love for us. Let your love transform every aspect of our lives and touch everyone we encounter. Our hearts are open to you, Jesus. Amen.

### Term Dates and Events

#### Autumn Term 2018

Monday 10 December  
 Wednesday 12 December  
 Thursday 13 December  
 Friday 14 December  
 Friday 14 December  
 Wednesday 19 December  
 Thursday 20 December  
 Friday 21 December  
 Friday 21 December  
 Friday 21 December

Christmas Discos  
 Reception Class and KS1 Christmas Shows 1.00pm and 6.00pm  
 Mid-Trent Directors Meeting – 1.00pm  
 Abecedarian – Special Assembly 2.30pm  
 Mid-Term Reports to Parents and Carers  
 School Christmas Dinner  
 KS2 Carol Concert – St Andrew's Church – 10.00am  
 Whole School Talent Show  
 End of term - School closes at 2.30pm  
 CHILL closes at 5.00pm

Christmas Holidays Monday 24 December – Friday 4 January

#### Spring Term 2019

Monday 7 January  
 Monday 7 January  
 Friday 8 February

School opens  
 Science Week Begins  
 Class 1 Assembly

Half-Term Break Monday 18 February – Friday 22 February

Monday 25 February  
 Tuesday 26 February  
 Tuesday 5 March  
 Wednesday 6 March  
 Thursday 7 March  
 Friday 8 March

School opens  
 BAG2SCHOOL Collection  
 Book Fair arrives  
 World Maths Day  
 World Book Day  
 Mid-Term Reports to Parents and Carers

Tuesday 12 March	Book Fair leaves
Friday 15 March	Red Nose Day
Wednesday 20 March	Parents' Evening 3.30pm – 6.00pm
Thursday 21 March	Parents' Evening 3.30pm – 6.00pm
Thursday 21 March	World Poetry Day
Friday 29 March	Class 3 Assembly
Friday 5 April	Abecedarian – Special Assembly 2.30pm
Thursday 11 April	Reception Class and KS1 Easter Bonnet Service – 10.00am <b>TBC</b>
Friday 12 April	End of term – School closes at 2.30pm

Easter Break Monday 15 April – Friday 26 April      Easter Sunday 21 April

Monday 29 April	School opens
Monday 6 May	Bank Holiday – School closed
Monday 13 May	End of KS2 SATs week
Monday 20 May	Values week begins
Friday 24 May	Family Picnic Day – <b>Details to be confirmed</b>

Half-Term Break Monday 27 May – Friday 31 May

### Summer Term 2019

Monday 3 June	INSET DAY
Monday 10 June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Week
Friday 14 June	BAG2SCHOOL Collection
Friday 21 June	Class 2 Assembly
Monday 24 June	Year 6 pupils visit Isle of Man
Friday 5 July	Sports Day/Summer Fair
Monday 8 July	End of Year Reports to Parents and Carers
Tuesday 9 July	KS2 Performances 1.00pm (Community) and 6.30pm
Wednesday 10 July	KS2 Performances 1.00pm and 6.30pm
Friday 12 July	Abecedarian – Special Assembly 2.30pm
Tuesday 16 July	KS2 and Leavers' Disco 6.00pm – 7.30pm
Friday 19 July	School closes 2.30pm
Friday 19 July	CHILL closes 5.00pm
Monday 22 July	INSET DAY

Summer Holidays Tuesday 23 July – Friday 30 August

## Staffordshire County Council Term Dates for the Academic Year 2019/2020

Please note that INSET days have yet to be added.

### Autumn Term 2019

**Inset day:** Monday 2 September  
**Term starts:** Tuesday 3 September  
**Half term:** Monday 28 October - Friday 1 November  
**Term ends:** Friday 20 December  
**Holiday:** Monday 23 December - Friday 3 January

### Spring Term 2020

**Term starts:** Monday 6 January  
**Half term:** Monday 17 February - Friday 21 February  
**Term ends:** Friday 3 April  
**Holiday:** Monday 6 April - Friday 17 April  
**Easter Sunday:** Sunday 12 April

### Summer Term 2020

**Term starts:** Monday 20 April  
**May Day:** Monday 4 May  
**Half term:** Monday 25 May - Friday 29 May  
**Term ends:** Monday 20 July  
**Holiday:** Tuesday 21 July - Monday 31 August

**Emergency Telephone Number – 07561821107 – School visits only**