



Dates for your diary

Dear Parents and Carers,

As our first term of the school year draws to a close, we can reflect on some of the wonderful learning that has taken place in school. We have been working hard to develop handwriting and improve the presentation of our learning. We have enjoyed our new topics, which have been based around a question and have enjoyed having visitors in school.

We thank all of the parents who attended the Parent Forum last week. Our focus was on communication and behaviour. We discussed the following:

- The new revised behaviour incentive and the positive impact it is having on our children – especially when they achieve a gold star (this can be found on the website)
- Having an individual incentive for children to collect gold star awards to enable them to achieve a greater award
- Raising the profile of Team points in schools
- Communication and how it can be improved. This included the new drop off routine in a morning. As you know this has been put in place to reduce lost learning time and enables children to settle down to work easier. Although this reduces the opportunity to speak to your child's teacher in the morning, there is still an opportunity to talk to them at the end of the day. If you need to talk to your child's teacher about something important, you could let myself know and I can pass on the message or we could arrange for them to speak to you at a convenient time.

Thank you for attending parents evening on Wednesday, we hope you enjoyed looking at your child's learning and found the information useful. We enjoyed the parental engagement mornings and afternoons – Moonstone Class took their parents on an orienteering activity; Amethyst Class completed art activities inspired by the Stone Age; Topaz Class enjoyed some maths activities and Emerald Class explored a range of activities linked to the Great Fire of London. We will arrange for you to visit your child's classroom every half term to allow you to have an insight into your child's learning.

During half term, our Key Stage one outdoor space will continue to be developed. The social action group started to develop this area during the Summer by clearing, painting it and providing us with a cover. We are hugely grateful for this and thanked them for the great start that they had made. We are now adding more work spaces within the area and had to tweak some of the paintings as some children were afraid of some of these.

Finally, have a wonderful half term holiday and we look forward to seeing everyone back in school on Tuesday 30th of October.

Kind regards

Mrs T Boulter

Monday 29th October

Inset for staff

Tuesday 30th October

Children back to school

Tempest Photography in for single and family photos

Wednesday 31st October

Open morning 9.30 – 10.30am

Moonstone – Victorian dress up day

Friday 2nd November

Foods for school event

Autumn Disco in the village hall

Tuesday 6th November

Preparing for Year 6 SATs information evening – 4.00pm

Friday 9th November

Remembrance service at St Chad's church 10.30am

Monday 12th November

Anti-Bullying week

Friday 16th November

Children In Need day

Wednesday 21st November

World Hello Day 2.00pm

Friday 23rd November

Parent Forum 2.30pm

Friday 14th December

Moonstone carols and mince pie evening 3.30pm

Monday 17th December 2pm

Topaz and Emerald Class Nativity

Tuesday 18th December

Christingle Service 10.30

Thursday 20th December

Last day of term

Here is a snapshot of our week...

Moonstone taught Emerald class some P.E skills



Amethyst Class enjoyed their Stone Age art



Topaz Class enjoyed their visit from a nurse



Our website and Class pages have now been set up and will be updated more regularly next half term. The curriculum will be uploaded once it has been finalised and you will be able to view your child's class newsletter each half term to give an overview of learning.

All dates are on the website for the new term and are updated regularly. You will be able to view school galleries to view photographs of whole school events.

Also, please follow our school Twitter account and keep up to date with events next term at: <https://twitter.com/WelbournPrimary>



Our Church School values next half term are Peace and Forgiveness.

St Chad's church wardens will lead a worship on Wednesday 30th October and make poppies with each class to display in church. We will have a Remembrance service, which will be led by our Worship Council on Friday 9th November and all classes will participate. Our British value will be Respect.

