# St. Mary's Church of England Primary School & Nursery

News for parents, pupils and friends of the school

# Newsletter 1 6<sup>th</sup> September 2017

#### Welcome back to a fantastic new school year!

A particular welcome to all our new **pupils** throughout the school, from Nursery to Class 5, and to Mrs Taylor, our new (SMSA) dinnerlady and cleaner. Our staff remains basically the same, although they have moved around a bit over the summer and we have two new BEAUTIFUL classrooms, as well as Class 2 being re-decorated!

- Nursery Dee & Val, with Amanda Day
- Class 1 Miss Hamblin, with Mrs Lock, Miss Buchan & Mrs Webb
- Class 2 Mrs Adamson, with Mrs Appleby & Mrs Day
- Class 3 Mrs Roberts (Mondays, Tuesdays & Wednesdays) & Mrs Martin (Wednesdays, Thursdays & Fridays)
- Class 4 Mrs Dart
- Class 5 Miss Hull with Mrs Boyce

# School diary dates:

#### September

Thurs 14<sup>th</sup> am. school individual photos

Tues 26<sup>th</sup> 6.15 governors AGM Weds 27<sup>th</sup> Class 3 trip to Roman Baths

### October

Weds 4<sup>th</sup> Class 2 trip to Bristol Zoo Y5/6 BANES cross country Weds 11<sup>th</sup> Harvest festivals Fri 20<sup>th</sup> last day of Term 1 Mon 30<sup>th</sup> Term 2 starts

Mr Newland, Mrs Fenton & Mrs Gallimore will be supporting learning in a number of classes.

A reminder at the start of the year that we ask that parents wait outside at the end of the school day the children will come out to you. There should only be a need to come in to school if you need to meet with a classteacher - we are encouraging the children to become more independent at the start and end of the day. We will all benefit!

Term dates for the academic year	
Autumn Term 1 2017 Autumn break	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> – Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October
<b>Autumn Term 2 2017</b> Begins Ends	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December
<b>Spring Term 3 2018</b> [School closed INSET 2 Begins Spring break	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January] Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February
<b>Spring Term 4 2018</b> Begins Ends	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March
<b>Summer Term 5 2018</b> Begins May Day Bank Holiday Whitsun break	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> April Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> May Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> June
Summer Term 6 2018 Begins Ends [School closed INSETs 3 & 4	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> June Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> July Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> & Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July]
One more INSET date to be agreed by governors, likely to be just before / after Easter	

## Notices & Reminders:

- All children should have their basic PE kit (named) in school on their peg at all times: Daps / trainers Black shorts White T-shirt
   A basic kit in a school-logo bag is available - please ask at the office for details
- Next week, all parents will receive the **data collection sheets** we currently hold for your child. It is vital that you return these to the office ASAP as they are our master list of all contact details in the case of an emergency
- We currently have three nominations for the parent governor vacancy. If any other parent
  is interested in being put forward for this interesting and fulfilling role, please ask for
  details from Ms Lampert or Mrs Jones. The closing date will be next Wednesday (13<sup>th</sup>
  September). All parents will then receive details of each candidate and have a week in which
  to vote slips and the ballot box will be in the school office.
- In a similar vein, the children will be encouraged in class to stand as a candidate for their year group in the **School Council** election in the next few weeks. They will find out more in class lessons, but they will have a lot of important business to discuss this term!