



# Do Everything with Love

*(1 Corinthians 16:14)*

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2018

## WELCOME BACK!

We hope you have all had a super summer – it has been lovely to hear all the children's news. The term has got off to a busy start and the children are settling quickly into their new classes. Please remember to speak to your child's class teacher if you have any queries or concerns at the end of the school day or leave a message with the teacher on the door in the morning.

## SCHOOL OFFICE

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September

*Mrs Heath is on a training course tomorrow, so please be aware that the office will be closed during the day. We will check the answerphone so please leave any messages.*

### Walking to and from School

Please see our policy on children walking to and from school on the school website. It is important that if you wish your child to walk to and from school that you either fill in and return the permission form found on the policy or write a letter giving permission.

This needs to happen even if you gave permission last year, so that we can update our records.

### Mobile Phones in School

Children who walk to and from school often bring their mobile phone with them. If your child brings their phone to school, please remind them that they need to bring their phone to the school office so that it can be kept safely out of harm's way during the day.

### Steve Clifford – Author Visit

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2018

We are delighted to welcome Steve Clifford, Children's Author to school on Tuesday. He will be leading writing workshops with Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 throughout the day. There will be an opportunity at the end of the day in the hall to buy his books – he will be available to sign those books.

### CLASS DOJO

I am sure the children will have already told you about Class Dojo – our new online behaviour system. Class Dojo works very like the Bronze/Silver/Gold system we used in the past. The children can earn Dojo Points for demonstrating the RESPECT values in school, class and on the playground. They can earn rewards for themselves and the whole class.

At the moment if a class earns 100 points altogether they gain an extra playtime. Individually, the rewards are:

30 points = a prize from the box

60 points = a fancy new ruler

100 points = a certificate and a new pencil case

The children are very excited about this new system. Later in the term we will be asking the children to help us choose some new rewards.

Missing Jumpers

Some children have already mislaid their new jumper – please check that your child is wearing the right jumper. The missing jumpers are labelled with the child’s name.

ART APRONS

Mrs Kent and Mrs Welsh have kindly offered to make some art aprons for the children to use in class. In order to do this they need old buttoned up shirts (adult or children’s size). If you have any old shirts at home that are no longer used please send them into school so that Mrs Kent and Mrs Welsh can transform them into art aprons.

Thank you!

PG Films

*Sometimes in school and at ‘Early Birds and Late Owls’ the children watch films. Some of these films have a PG rating. If you are not happy for your child to watch a PG rated film please let the school office know by Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September. If we do not hear from you we will assume that you are happy for your child to watch a PG films.*

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS – Don’t Forget:

Admissions for Secondary School places must be completed by 31st October 2018

This applies to all our year 6 children. Go to <https://www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/school-admissions> to apply online or call 01305 221060.

School Website

[www.stmaryjosephswool.dorset.sch.uk](http://www.stmaryjosephswool.dorset.sch.uk)

Please remember to check the school website throughout the year for upcoming calendar dates and information.

PE KITS

By now, all children should have their full PE kit in school fully named. Please send in some spare socks to go with your child’s kit, as we are at that time of year when the field can be damp.

PE kits need to stay in school for the half term, but obviously the children can bring their damp socks home to be washed.