



# The Northam Newsletter

The Northam Schools' Federation - St George's C of E Infant and Nursery & St Margaret's C of E Junior School



FRIDAY 12TH JULY 2019

Dear Parents,

The end of the school year always brings with it a mixture of emotions. It might be a sense of eager anticipation of the Summer holidays and as we all look forward to the next academic year, there might also be excitement about the prospect of a new school or class. At the same time there may be a feeling of unease at the thought of an unfamiliar classroom, teacher and new classmates. Regardless of the emotion, every pupil should move forward into their new setting confident in the knowledge that, with the necessary continued positive approach to school, they can build upon their achievements gained this year. Your children are to be congratulated on their very encouraging reports. Well done to all!

As we look forward to next year there are two important developments to share with you:

1. As the result of ongoing parental feedback relating to the safety of the children during the daily drop-off and pick-up, we aim to ease the volume of people moving between the schools by staggering the start and end times of the two schools. The revised times for September 2019 will be:

**START TIMES** St. George's **8:45 a.m.** St. Margaret's **8:50 a.m.**

**FINISH TIMES** St. George's **3:10 p.m.** St. Margaret's **3:20 p.m.**

We will trial this for the duration of the Autumn Term and I will then ask for your feedback in order to determine whether this becomes a permanent arrangement.

2. It has been confirmed by the Diocese, that during the Summer Holidays and until the October half-term break, the two Year 2 classrooms at St. George's are going to be modernised and refurbished. I will be sending a letter out early next week detailing how the building works will affect the dropping off and picking up of the children.

Thank you all for your continued support. Jim Williams - Executive Headteacher

## SPECIAL MENU - WEDNESDAY 17TH JULY

Next Wednesday 17th July the kitchen will be serving a special Teddy Bears' Picnic Menu (Bring your Teddy for Lunch) as follows:

1. Half Sausage Roll/Mini Ham Bap/Mini Tuna Bap/Crisps/Salad Sticks
2. Half Veggie Sausage Roll/Mini Cheese Bap/Mini Egg Bap/Crisps/Salad Sticks.

A trio of sweet treats and a carton of juice.

## OUTSTANDING MONEY

Could we please ask that all outstanding balances on Nursery Fees, Nursery Dinners, Breakfast Club and Dinner Money are cleared before the end of term. We will be sending out daily reminders via text message next week. Thank you.

## LIBRARY BOOKS

Could all library books and reading books also be returned before the end of term. Thank you.

## NORTHAM CARE TRUST

Northam Care Trust will be holding their annual Summer Fete on Saturday 13th July from 12 noon to 4pm at Rose Hill Activity Centre. Come along for entertainment, stalls, classic cars and games.

## NORTHAM LIBRARY

Northam Library will be holding a series of workshops over the holidays including:

Alien Design & Illustration - 12/8/19

Space Science Workshop - 19/8/19

Children's Mindfulness Session - 29/7/19

Doggy Tales with the Dogs Trust 8/8/19.

For more details contact the Library on 475111.

## ACTIVE MARK

We are pleased to announce that St. Margaret's have been awarded a Silver Active Mark for 2018/2019. This is as a result of all the sporting festivals, competitions and after school clubs the children have taken part in. A big thank you to Sara Nicholls who has been instrumental in the school achieving this award.

## CERTIFICATES

Congratulations to the following children who all received certificates at Golden Book Worship and Celebration Worship this week: Also well done to year 5 who had a brilliant time at the ARC cricket festival.

## **Marvellous Manners (St Georges):**

Jasper C, Alfie P, Imogen B, Macyn B, Alice S, Barnaby R.

**Seahorses:** Marley, Josie.

**Starfish:** Jack, Oliver & Ivy.

**Sandpipers:** Evie.

**Skylarks:** Boston.

**Class Teacher Award:** Darcy B, Zoe G, Beth J, Heidi W, Aiden B, Kerenza R.

**Healthy Eating:** Rylee L.

**Marvellous Manners:** Kieron F.

**Other Awards:** Maya-Rose, Jessica, Ella, Makayla.

## DATES

**Year 6 Leavers' Performance:** 17.7.19 at 2.00pm and 6.00pm

**Leavers' Services at both schools:**

Friday 19th July - 9.30 St George's 10.30 St Margaret's.

**Last day of Summer Term:** Friday 19th July.

**First day of Autumn Term:** Wednesday 4th September 2019

## **The Week Ahead: COLLECTIVE WORSHIP THEME:**

**MONDAY:** Year 1 Beach Trip. AM - Miss Lobbett at a meeting. AM - Mr Williams in a meeting. 9.15am - Nursery in the Wilderness & Forest. 2.00pm - Mrs Davis in a meeting. 5.15pm - Resources Meeting. 6.30pm - Governing Body Meeting.

**TUESDAY:** Nursery Messy Fun! AM - Mr Williams in a meeting.

**WEDNESDAY:** Nursery Messy Fun! AM - Year 4 trip to the Burrows. 11.15am - Reception Family Beach Trip. **Year 6 Leavers Performance - 2pm and 6pm.**

**THURSDAY:** Nursery Messy Fun! Year 6 Trip to Crealy.

**FRIDAY:** 9.30am - Leavers' Service at St. George's. 10.30am - Leavers' Service at St. Margaret's. 1pm - Mr Williams in a meeting. PM - Reception in the Wilderness and Forest.

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