

Barford St Peter's

Newsletter

Friday 7th September 2018

We would like to say thank you to all of the families who sent a postcard!

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Welcome Service for Reception is on Friday 14th Sept in St Peter's Church at 9.30am

WELCOME BACK

AUTUMN IS HERE!

We hope you had a good rest and were able to take advantage of the long break and wonderful weather. We would like to give a special welcome to all of our new pupils and families and are looking forward to getting to know them during the next seven years. It was so lovely to see all of the children again buzzing with tales of their holidays. The Reception children came into school with confidence and have settled into routines extremely quickly. They have all been to visit me this week, during their tour of the school building.

Photographs were taken on Wednesday 5th of September and proofs will be available shortly. Orders can be placed online or through the school office, details to follow. We have already planned lots of exciting events this year including a whole school trip at Christmas time to see Cinderella on Ice in Coventry. We are starting the year with a whole school project 'Barford and Beyond' which will conclude with an exhibition in the school hall in November. We will also be focusing on the enjoyment of reading and sharing favourite authors.

WELLY WEDNESDAY – OUTDOOR EDUCATION

We are planning a huge input into our outdoor education curriculum. For the autumn term we will be working with Pre-School, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 every Wednesday. The sessions will be practical, exploring the outdoor environment and habitats, planting and building shelters to name but a few activities. The children are likely to get dirty so we are recommending they wear their own, **old** clothes and have wellies in school. Joggers, tracksuit bottoms or leggings will be perfect, along with a warm top and waterproof jacket if you have one. These clothes should be worn instead of school uniform on a Wednesday. We are very excited about the development of the outdoor curriculum and we shall keep you up to date with the progress.

We will be introducing a 'Forest Schools' style afterschool club and are just waiting for the final details.



SCHOOL COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Mrs Carson would like to provide all children from Year 3 to Year 6 with the opportunity of being a School Councillor. This year the children will be presenting their ideas to their own class during the week beginning Monday 10th September and the final speeches and voting will take place on Thursday 13th September. We look forward to hearing the speeches of our future council representatives.

WELCOME SERVICE

The Welcome Service for our new Reception children will be held in St. Peter's Church on Friday 14th September, 9.30am. It would be lovely to see you there.



MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

We are holding our annual Coffee Morning for the Macmillan Charity on Friday 28th September. We will be asking for donations of cakes and biscuits and all of the children will have the opportunity to come into the hall for a drink and snack for a donation of £1.00 or more. Please come along and join us, it is always a lovely, worthwhile occasion.

PARENTS EVENINGS

Parents Evenings will be held on the 10th and 11th October in the school hall. We look forward to seeing you then.



SWIMMING LESSONS

Class 5/6 will start swimming lessons on Friday 14th September. We have decided to have the lessons in classes as it means each group will be smaller and more beneficial to the children.

E-SAFETY

We are having a huge focus on keeping children safe on line this year. Mrs Smith will be sending out tips for you to do at home. We will keep you updated with the activities we will be doing to support this growing problem.

