



The Richard Clarke First School Newsletter  
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**Dates for the diary: (could be subject to change. Always check newsletters & website)**

16.10.18 Y4 Enjunity Trip, please remember packed lunches and waterproof coats.  
16.10.18 Oldfields Hall Middle School Parents Open Evening, 6-8pm  
22.10.18 Early reading and phonics Parent Workshop run by Mr Welsh, 6pm  
24.10.18 Last dance club Y3/4 - show for parents at 4.15pm  
26.10.18 Harvest Festival (all parents and friends invited) 2pm, in the school hall  
Break up 26.10.18  
5.11.17 Staff Training Day. **Children return to school on Tuesday 6th November**  
12.11.18 Y4 Viking day (details to follow)  
13.11.18 or 15.11.18 Parent/Teacher Meetings  
16.11.18 Children in need (details to come)  
14.12.18 Christmas Play Performance, St Nicholas Church, 2pm (all parents and friends invited)  
7.12.18 3-5pm Christmas Fair  
18.12.18 Christmas Dinner  
19.12.18 Christmas Parties (with a special guest!)  
20.12.18 Break up - no uniform/Christmas jumper day £1

**PTFA NEWS - SCHOOL DISCO**

It was fantastic to see so many Richard Clarke pupils (old and present) dance away at the disco. Together, with the help of some many parent volunteers that day, we made around £800 giving us £600 profit. This is amazing and will fund the special Christmas treat and RE science and English resources needed by the school.

Watch this space for news about the pumpkin raffle and Christmas Fair. If you want to purchase the School Annual Calendar that we are producing for 2019, we are taking orders now so that we can produce the right number of calendars to be available in December. Please go to the school office for further enquiries. We still have a few advertising spaces left for sponsors for the calendar. We are asking for £25 for half a page and £50 for a full page, deadline 26th October. A great opportunity for local advertising and it all helps support our school!

**Parent Consultation Meetings - Tuesday 13th and Thursday 15th November**

Please see the attached letter explaining the process. The slips need to be returned before half term so that times can be allocated and given out first week back ready for meetings the week after. Thank you.

**Ambassador Roles**

Year 3 and 4 pupils have been invited to apply for positions of 'Ambassador' for different areas of the curriculum. Each role has a job description including a list of duties to perform over the school year including championing the subject. Ask your children if they have applied for a position.

### **Parent Workshops**

All parents and carers are invited to our workshops that we hold intermittently through the school year. We have had excellent feedback from previous workshops. We do encourage you to attend if you can. We would like to offer the following workshop for all parents, especially all our new parents:

### **Parent Workshop - Early Reading and Phonics 22nd October, 6pm**

On Monday 22nd October Mr Welsh will be delivering a phonics workshop aimed at year one and reception learners. This will be an interactive opportunity for parents/ carers to find out more about how phonics works and how you can best support your child to achieve their potential in reading and spelling. Mr Welsh and the team will go through the expectations for reception and year one as well as the strategies that can be used at home to support your children in becoming secure in phonics. Please come along, we promise it will be fun!

### **HARVEST CELEBRATION**

**Friday 26th October 2pm In the School Hall**

**You are all invited to come and hear the children sing at our Harvest Celebration.**

**As part of our celebration we make a collection of food to donate to the Rugeley food bank to support local children and families in need.**

**Donations of foodstuffs would be greatly appreciated. If you feel that you would like to contribute, then please deliver your donation to your child's class teacher before the event.**

*Thank you very much.*

### **Afters school Clubs to begin next half term**

#### **Tuesday**

**Multi Skills** with Mrs Care

£3 per child per week, running from 6th November for 6 weeks for Reception and Year 1 pupils. Multi-skills is the fundamentals of movement, the ABC's of sport, Agility, Balance & Co-ordination using various modes of travel and equipment to develop and improve basic hand-eye, speed and awareness skills.

#### **Tuesday**

**Board Games** with Miss Wain for Y2, Y3 & 4. £3 per week for 6 weeks.

#### **Wednesday**

**Magical Maths Y1-4** (external provider) - see leaflet sent home with children 12.10.18

#### **Thursday**

**Choir** with Mr Welsh & Miss Robbins for Rec, Y1, Y2, Y3 & Y4. Unlimited spaces – £20 for 6 sessions inclusive of a drink and snack until 4.30pm.

Please email the school office to register your interest for any of our clubs - Thank You

### **From the Kitchen HALLOWEEN Menu Friday 26th October 2018**

Choose a Main Meal...

**Sizzling Hot Dogs**

**Quorn Burgers with Tomato Relish**

On the side...

**Chips**

**BBQ Baked Beans**

For Dessert...

**Chocolate Crispy Bar**

**Yoghurt or Fruit Platter**



## Community News



### Job Opportunity

Vacancy for a **Catering Supervisor Cook**  
**At The Richard Clarke First School**

Monday to Friday working.

9am until 13.30

**22.50 hours per week.**

**Call Debbie Cram on 07773792214**

This position is subject to an enhanced disclosure check under the Rehabilitation of Offences Act 1974  
Uniform & Training Provided

### **Oldfields Hall Middle School Open Evening, 16th October, 6-8pm**

Enjoy a tour of the school, meet pupils and staff, get involved in activities and see all subject areas at work, including a French Café!

### **Best Kept Village 2018 - Winner's Presentation**

We are thrilled to confirm that for the second consecutive year, Abbots Bromley has been crowned Best Kept Large Village in East Staffordshire and has also won the Community Council trophy.

We hope many pupils and parents will join the celebrations on:-

**Saturday 13th October 2018**

**Time: 11am**

### **AB Bonfire and Firework Night**

**Monday 5th November 2018**

**Behind Abbots Bromley Village Hall**

**Gates open: 6pm Fire Lit: 6.30pm Fireworks: 7pm**

**£4 per person - £15 per family (of 4+)**

**Hot dogs, burgers and refreshments available**

**Organised by Abbots Bromley Scout Group in support of Beavers, Scouts and Guides**