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Dear Parents,

Children have a made a great start to the new academic year. In just 8 short weeks we have already achieved so much!

Forest Schools

Class 1 and 2 had an amazing day on Tuesday at Pot Kiln Woods on their Forest Day. They enjoyed mini-beast hunting, make mini-beast shelters, looking for different signs of Autumn and measuring using different sized logs. It is great for children to have experience of learning outdoors.



New arrangements for dropping children at school

After discussion with staff and governors we have decided to trial a new way of children entering school in order to alleviate the parking congestion on Bosworth Road, and to ensure we are safeguarding our children effectively.

After half term there will be a member of staff on the first green gate to welcome the children into school from 8.45am, and members of staff on the playground to supervise the children. Parents are requested to drop their children at the gate without the need to come on to the playground first thing in the morning.

This will mean that parents will only need to park for a short amount of time so congestion will be reduced. It also means staff are solely responsible for the children from the time they enter the school premises. Currently, it is difficult for staff to clearly see who has a parent waiting with them and who has been dropped off, which is a concern for us. We will trial this until Christmas and measure the impact to see if we think it is more effective. Thank you for your anticipated support.



Operation Christmas Child

Today the children had an assembly to launch our Operation Christmas Child Appeal. This appeal helps to provide gifts and essential items to children, at Christmas, who otherwise wouldn't receive anything. We ask for shoeboxes to be returned to school no later than Friday 17th November. Please find attached further information to help you plan and pack you shoe box or visit: https://www.samaritans-

purse.org.uk/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/how-to-pack-a-shoebox/



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Friends of St Charles

Please see up and coming dates organised by the FOSC. We are looking for donations of good quality toys, games, jigsaw puzzles etc. If you are having a sort out over the next few weeks and have items you could donate please could you bring them into school. Our next meeting is on Friday 24th November at 2.45pm. If you are able to offer any help for any of the up and coming events please do let us know.

Date	Event	Place	Time
Monday 30 th October	Children return to school		
Wednesday 1 st November	Residential Years 4 & 5	PGL Caythorpe Court	10.00am
Wednesday 1 st November	All Saints Mass	School Hall	10.30am
Thursday 9 th November	Forestry Day	Class 1 and 2	am / pm
Thursday 9 th November	Autumn Disco	School Hall	3.30pm – 4.30pm
Week beginning 13 th	Bring in a soft toy	School Office	
November	donation		
Friday 24 th November	Non Uniform Day:		
	Donations of Chocolate		
	and wine		
Friday 1 st December	Trip to Polesworth	Class 1 and 2	All day
	Abbey		
Friday 1 st December	Christmas Fayre	School Hall	3.30pm
Friday 8 th December	Menphys Concert	De Montfort Hall	7.00pm
Sunday 10 th December	Holy Trinity Church,	Choir	3.00 pm
	Nuneaton		
Monday 11 th December	Nativity Play;	School Hall	2.00pm
	Class 1 and 2		6.00pm
Tuesday 12 th December	Whole School at the	Lichfield Garrick	Morning
	Pantomime		
Thursday 14 th December	Carol Service – Key	Our Lady of Lourdes	6.30pm
	Stage 2		
Sunday 17 th December	Advent Mass	Our Lady of Lourdes	10.00am
Thursday 21 st December	Christmas Jumper Day	School Hall	8.15am
	Breakfast with Santa		
Thursday 21 st December	Carols Around the tree	School Hall	2.00pm
Thursday 21 st December	Children break up from school		
Monday 8 th January	Children return to school		

May the Lord bless you this half term,

R Elmore

19/10/18