



### Term Dates:

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>  
October**  
School closed

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup>  
October –  
Friday 30<sup>th</sup>  
October**  
Half Term

**Friday 18<sup>th</sup>  
December**  
Last day of  
term.

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup>  
January**  
Return to  
school

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup>  
February –  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup>  
February**  
Half term

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup>  
March**  
Last day of  
term

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup>  
April**  
Return to  
school

**Monday 31<sup>st</sup>  
May – Friday  
4<sup>th</sup> June**  
Half term

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup>  
July**  
End of term

**4 INSET DAYS  
TBC**

**Message from Mrs Phillips:** I am delighted to confirm Amira has come to the end of her treatment for Leukaemia. When she started her journey 2 years ago we held a Rainbow Walk around the school, we feel it is fitting to celebrate the end of her journey with a Rainbow celebration. We will make a virtual rainbow on Thursday October 22<sup>nd</sup> and Amira will ring the old school bell throughout the school, marking the end of her journey. Pupils can wear 1 item of the class colour or as many as they want.

Nursery – Red

Reception – Orange

Year 1 – Yellow

Year 2 – Green

Year 3 – Purple

Amira's favourite colour this year is orange

Year 4 – Orange

Year 5 – Blue

Year 6 – Red

Staff – Amira choose pink for staff, how lucky is Mr Edwards!!

Amira, Lola her cousin and Nannie Joan will be walking 13.1 miles over 3 days during half term in aid of Noah's Arc. If you would like to make a donation to the Children's Hospital Charity please send into school on Thursday October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

### Governing Body

Mr Paul Donoghue has been elected Chair of Governors and Mr Ross Thomas is Vice Chair. There is a parent governor vacancy and if anybody is interested please contact the office.

Mrs Kelly-Fisher is currently absent from school due to a family illness – not COVID related. Please remember her and her family in your prayers. During her absence Mrs Treharne and Miss Bullock will teach Year 2 pupils and Mrs Sherwood will take over her role and responsibility as Acting Deputy.

### Polite Notice

Can you please be mindful of residence when parking near the school. I know it is difficult with limited spaces but we have to work with our residents. Thank you!



### Applications for nursery 2021

We are currently collecting names for children to join our nursery in September 2021. Children need to be 3 before 31<sup>st</sup> of August 2018. Applications are available from the school.

### Parents Evening/Reports

Due to the current situation it is difficult to run parents evenings this term so after half term we will send out a short report with targets to help your child improve. If you do have any concerns at any time please contact the office and we will arrange a convenient time for you to speak to the class teacher.

### Privacy Notice

The privacy notice has been updated and is available on our school website.

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Please can we remind parents to follow social distancing guidelines when dropping off and picking children up from school.

We have been asked to remind families that under no circumstances should children attend school if they:

- feel unwell, have any of the three identified COVID-19 symptoms (a new continuous cough, a high temperature or loss of taste or smell) or they have tested positive to COVID-19 in the past 14 days
- live in a household with someone who has symptoms of COVID-19 or has tested positive to COVID-19 in the past 14 days

If anybody in your household receives a positive test result over the weekend please contact the school on the following number; **07704981687**

**The school will be closed to children on Friday October 23<sup>rd</sup> for a deep clean.**



Please join our Facebook page for information on fundraising activities to support out school.

Thank you for your support for Family Fast Day. We collected £250, this has been added to the parish collection and sent to CAFOD. A great effort.



Year 5 and 6 were able to have a virtual assembly with Mrs Phillips to talk about the fundraising work of Cafod.









