



## Newsletter – Monday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2018

### Information for September 2018

#### Staffing and classes for next year

Attached to this newsletter will be the key dates for 2018/19 and information about who will be your child's class teacher next year. Children will be spending a full day in their new classes tomorrow. Please see our complete teacher list for September:

Nursery – Mrs Davies

R: EB – Miss Booth

R: NL – Miss Leonard

Y1TL – Mrs Leech

Y1/2OB – Mrs O'Brien

Y2JW – Mrs Wright

Y3EG – Miss Glassbrook

Y3/4CS – Mr Simmons

Y4HJ – Mrs Jeffries

Y5JY – Mr Young

Y5/6NC – Mr Cooke

Y5NC Maths/English group – Miss Gray each morning (cover across school each afternoon)

Y6AJM – Mrs Malley/Mrs Morris

Nursery leader – Mrs Davies

Early Years leader – Miss Booth

Assistant Headteacher/SEND leader (KS1) – Mrs O'Brien

Assistant Headteacher (KS2) – Mr Young

Deputy Headteacher – Mrs Morris

Headteacher – Mr Grogan

**Morning routine** – From September 2018, our first bell will be ringing five minutes earlier and so classrooms doors will be open from 8:45am. Our second bell will continue to ring at 8:55am and this will signal to the class teachers that they need to close their classroom doors for the start of the school day. All children who are not in school at this point will need to enter school via the main school entrance – **we will no longer be opening the doors at each side of school or in the middle of the 'quiet' area**. Lessons will be promptly starting at 9:00am and so being late for school will put your child at a disadvantage and can cause embarrassment when it may not necessarily be their fault. It would be best to aim to be outside the classroom door in time for the new first bell at 8:45am, when classroom doors are opened.

**Birthday treats** – In order to celebrate birthdays in school, it is widely known that children (and staff) can come to school in non-uniform. This was a suggestion by a parent in September 2012 and has been a very successful part of our school ever since. However, after recently receiving some feedback, I realised that there has been no clear information from us about the bringing in of treats from home on birthdays. Therefore we have decided that from September 2018, children can continue to come in non-uniform when it is their birthday (if this is in the holidays then the children can choose either before or after the holiday) but that there are **no longer to be sweets or treats brought into school**.

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## Information for September 2018 continued

**School Uniform** – As you know, our school uniform will change for September 2018 with all children throughout school wearing a **navy blue polo shirt**. Therefore, a school tie will no longer be a part of our uniform. All other elements of the school uniform remain the same:

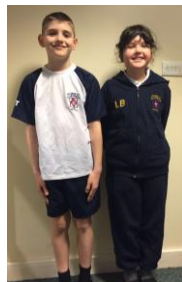


Please ensure that your child wears **smart black school shoes all year round**

**PE kits** – Please could you ensure that all children from Y1 – Y6 have both our indoor and outdoor PE kits as outlined in the pictures. Reception children only need the indoor PE kit. Our updated PE policy was recently agreed by governors and gives clear information about kit for PE lessons:

The indoor PE kit should include:

- Plain navy blue shorts with school logo
- Plain white T-shirt with school logo
- Black Pumps



The outdoor kit should include:

- Plain navy blue hoody with school logo
- Plain navy blue tracksuit pants with school logo
- Trainers

Children in Year 3 and Year 4 will only now start swimming at the Pelican Centre after **February half term** and we have decided that on the days classes go swimming they can wear their outdoor PE kit to school. More details about swimming will be provided in the January 2019 newsletter. These PE kits (and all elements of our uniform) are available at Wendy's in Tyldesley and Icon Embroidery in Astley. Please see below for the PE timetable for September 2018 – February 2019:

PE timetable: September 2018					
Outdoor lessons: Kits needed to be worn for school on these days			Indoor lessons: Indoor PE kit needs to be in school		
Day	Class	Time	Day	Class	Time
<b>Monday</b>	Y1/2OB Y2JW	Afternoon Afternoon	<b>Monday</b>	Y1TL Y5JY	1pm – 1:45pm 1:45pm – 2:30pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	*Y3/4CS *Y4HJ	Afternoon Afternoon	<b>Tuesday</b>	Y5/6NC Y3EG	1:15pm – 2pm 2pm – 2:45pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	Y5JY Y6AJM	Afternoon Afternoon	<b>Wednesday</b>	Reception Y2JW Y1/2OB	Morning 1pm – 1:45pm 1:45pm – 2:30pm
<b>Thursday</b>	Y1TL Y5/6NC	Afternoon Afternoon	<b>Thursday</b>	Y4HJ	2:15pm – 3:00pm
<b>Friday</b>	*Y3EG	Afternoon	<b>Friday</b>	Nursery Y6AJM Y3/4CS	Morning 1:15pm – 2pm 2pm – 2:45pm

\*Until February half term when swimming starts

**Farewell to staff** – Wednesday will be the final day at St. George's Central for some people. We wish Mr Barlow, Miss Chase, Ms Harper, Mr Hesketh and Mrs Szkilnyk the very best of luck as they move onto the next stage of their life and thank them for all their hard work during their time at our school. I am sure they will keep in touch and we will see them again at St. George's Central.

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## Recent news from around school



**KS1 Maritime trip** – Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June saw children in KS1 enjoy a fantastic trip to Liverpool. They visited the Maritime Museum where they were able to look at many Titanic artefacts, models and displays. They also enjoyed a story telling session delivered by the museum staff where they learned lots more about the Titanic and the events around the sinking. They also went to the World Museum and looked at the transport displays in there. Sounds like a fantastic day!

**KS2 production** – Well done to all the children and staff who were involved with the recent KS2 performance of 'Robin Hood and the Sherwood Hoodies'. The acting from the Y6 children was fantastic and with excellent support from the Y3/4/5 children singing in the choir, the play was a real hit. Thanks to all the staff that helped preparing props, scenery, helping with the acting and for all those who helped during each play, either behind the scenes or with front of house tasks. Special thanks to all the parents/carers who supported the plays by either helping children learn lines, prepare costumes or by turning up to watch the excellent performances.



**Let's Sing** – Last week our school choir performed a variety of songs with other schools at Robin Park in Wigan for the Let's Sing concert. Miss Gray has been working hard with the children over the last few weeks to ensure that they were ready for this performance and they did not disappoint! Well done to all the children who attended. Thanks to Miss Gray and Mrs K Toone who were present on the night.

**Farewell to Y6** – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July saw our children attend the Y6 Leavers' Service for Tyldesley Schools at St. George's Church and these are now the last few days at St. George's Central for those children. On Wednesday morning, their final day, there will be a leavers' assembly where end of year awards will be given out. I hope you enjoy your final few days at our school, Year 6, and we wish you well for the future – make sure you come back and see us!



**Cycle Speedway festival** – Some Year 6 children took part in this event at Astley Cycling club competing against four other schools. I am pleased to inform you that our team were the **overall winners of this event!** Well done to Logan Aspinall, Leon Beca, Tommy Hampson, JJ Hilton Jones and Cameron Lucas who represented the school in this event.

**KS2 Kwik Cricket festival** – Recently, some KS2 children spent the afternoon at Astley and Tyldesley Cricket Club competing against 3 other schools in the Tyldesley section of the Kwik Cricket event. Our children played really well and narrowly missed out on being crowned champions. Children who represented the school were: Logan Aspinall, Leon Beca, Kieran Bolger, Tommy Hampson, Lewis Hupton, Michael McAlpine, Noah Molyneux and Luke Worthington.



**Y3/4 Rounders festival** – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June saw the Y3/4 rounders team take part in a festival against other eleven other schools. The team successfully managed to qualify, from their group, for the final where they met St. Philip's. In a great final I am pleased to inform you that the team successfully **won to become the 2018 Y3/4 rounders champions!** Well done to Mrs Feeney and her team: Lee Barry, Myles Bedingfield, Millie Briggs, Marley Crawford, Bradley Graham, Princes Iwelu, Ella Meskill, Maisie Millward, Eva Molyneux and Jack Reeder.

**British Athletics Championships** – Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> July saw children from our school join with children from two other schools to go on a trip to watch the British Athletics Championships at Alexander Stadium in Birmingham. A fantastic day was had by all and our children not only saw some top British athletes on the day, but they were able to get autographs, pictures and some were even given 'race numbers/names' from the athletes to keep as souvenirs. I am sure that this was a day that our children will never forget!



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**KS1 football festival** – A team of footballers from KS1 recently took part in a football festival hosted at Pennington FC. Well done to Mabel Iwelu, Toby Fearn, Freddie Newton, Noah Smith, Lucas Thorpe, Cole Stoneley and Caden Wormersley who took part in this event and thanks to coach Mr Simmons.

**Residential Sports weekend** – Four Y6 children (Logan Aspinall, Leighton Barry, Jessica Highlands and Mia Johnson) recently took part in an ATSA residential sports weekend at Low Bank Ground in the Lake District where they competed against children from six other local schools in kayaking, orienteering and running. After the times from all the events of all the children were added up, I am pleased to announce that St. George's Central finished **third overall**. Well done to all our team members who were excellent ambassadors for our school.



**Animalates taster session** – Six children from our Reception class recently enjoyed taking part in an Animalates taster session. Animalates is a yoga style activity programme for young children and we have a club for this at school, so it was great for some of our children to take part in their first ever ATSA event with Reception children from other schools.

**Whole year attendance** – Our whole school attendance for the school year is **95.53%**. Individual class percentages for the year can be seen below:

Class	*%	Class	*%	Class	*%	Class	*%
YR:EB	94.25%	Y1CS	95.88%	Y3JW	95.30%	Y5NC	95.35%
YR:NT	93.56%	Y1/2EG	95.25%	Y3/4NL	96.09%	Y5/6AJM	96.18%
		Y2OB	96.46%	Y4HJ	96.16%	Y6JY	95.33%

*%s are from September up to and including Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July*

Dates for September 2018	
Date	Event
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	Children in Y1 – Y6 return to school (first bell at 8:45am for an 8:55am start) Nursery and Reception 'closed' (home visits start)
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Darlington Street Nursery and Reception 'closed' (home visits continue)
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	Darlington Street Nursery and Reception 'closed' (home visits continue)
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> September	Darlington Street Nursery and Reception 'closed' (home visits continue)
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> September	Darlington Street Nursery sessions start and all Reception children start

This is the final newsletter of this school year – the next newsletter will be sent out in September. I hope you all have a great summer. For those of you who will not be here in September – good luck for the future! For those returning, please find the key dates attached for next year and I'll see you all (except for Nursery and Reception) on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018** when school doors will open at **8:45am**. Thank you for your continued support throughout this last school year. Everything we do with your children could not be achieved without an effective partnership between school and home and so we thank you for your support and look forward to working with you in the new school year.

Mr M Grogan – Headteacher

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