



Newsletter

26th September 2022

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We would like to say a warm welcome to all of our new pupils and parents. The children have made a great start to the new academic year.

This is our first newsletter, we will be producing a newsletter once every half term, which you will receive via email. It will also be available to view on the School App and our webpage www.castletiverton.school. Please take some time to read the newsletter as it will keep you up to date with all that we are celebrating in school and any upcoming events. Each class also has a dedicated page on the website where you will find pictures and news about their activities.

We have several ways of keeping in touch with you, the School App, emails and text messaging, all we ask is that you keep us up to date with any email or telephone changes. Thank you.

Trips/Activities

We are excited to be offering lots of different trips and residential this year. We can now also add an African Drumming Workshop - all children will be involved with this. We will be asking for a small voluntary contribution of £1 per child for this event. This will be both entertaining and educational, this workshop is a great way of introducing children to a culture they may not have had much experience with. Their drum circle creates an atmosphere that draws the children in and teaches them djembe rhythms in an exciting and energetic way.

Harvest & Christmas Church Services

Children will be attending a service at Tiverton Baptist Church, Key Stage 2 on 5th October & Key Stage 1 on the 6th to celebrate Harvest Home, unfortunately due to the size of the church we cannot invite parents to this event.

However.....

Please note in your diaries the date of our Christmas church service at St Peter's Church on 13th December, everyone will be welcome.



Don't be Late!

Registration starts at 8.45am – the school gates are open from 8.35am to allow pupils to come in and hang their coats up before registration. We cannot stress how important it is that children arrive on time, a good morning routine is essential to a child's welfare and learning. None of us likes to feel rushed and stressed before the day of learning has even begun!



Absence & Attendance

Please see the attached page with all the guidance around school attendance and holidays. We do not authorise holidays during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances. Please take a moment to read this. This information is also available on our website. Thank you.

Dates For Your Diary

29th Sept - Yr 3 trip to Kents Cavern

3rd Oct - School Photographs

12th & 13th Oct - Drumming Workshop

20th Oct - Halloween Disco (more info to follow)

24th Oct - 28th Oct Half Term Break

2nd Nov - Class RL/CP to Haven Banks

3rd Nov - Class AR to Haven Banks

18th Nov - Whole School Flu Vaccinations

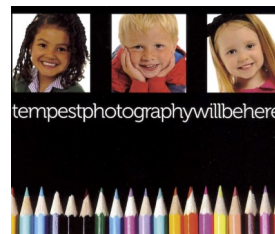
13th Dec - Christmas Service 1.30pm at St Peter's Church, all parents welcome

15th Dec - Christmas Lunch

16th Dec - Last day of term

School Photographs - Monday 3rd October

The school photographer will be coming to school on Monday 3rd October. All children will have individual photographs taken and a photo with any siblings at the school during school time.



Parents' Evenings

Parents' Evenings will be held over the week beginning 17th October. An invitation will be sent to you via email with a link where you will be able to book a time slot with your child's teacher. All meetings will be held in school. We hope to get these invitations out to you by the end of this week. Please advise us now if you have changed your email address or do not receive school emails.

Thank you.

Not sure how to pay for school meals or trips?

We are now a cashless office and all future payments must be made online through 'The School Gateway'.

What you need to do

Download the app if you have a smartphone from your app store (android and iPhone), or visit the website www.schoolgateway.com and click on 'New User'.

You will receive a text message with a PIN number. Use this PIN to login to School Gateway.

If you have problems activating your account it may be because the school does not have your correct email address or mobile phone number. Please call into the school office if you need assistance with this.