

Headlines

Morgan's Vale and Woodfalls CE Primary School Newsletter
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Welcome back after the Summer break, I hope you and your child(ren) are back into School routines and are getting used to any changes due to being in different classes etc.

Uniform

It makes a huge difference to the ease with which clothes can be returned to their owner if they are named clearly. Children become separated from jumpers, cardigans and fleeces all the time and reuniting them is very quick and easy if the item is named. Children also often pick up the wrong jumper and this is easily remedied if everyone's is named.

Harvest

Our School Harvest Festival will be on **Friday 6th October** this year and will take place in St Birinus Church at 9.15am. You are very welcome to join us as we give thanks for the good things we have, appreciate that others in the world are less fortunate and learn how we can help to make things better.

As part of this we will be making charitable donations of food to the Trussell Trust Foodbank in Salisbury and any money collected will go to Christian Aid in support of their Harvest campaign. If you are able to donate non-perishable food items such as tinned food, pasta, rice, cereal, tea/coffee etc. Please bring these into School by **Thursday 5th October**.

We will also be running a Harvest Festival workshop during School Community Time on **Friday 29th September** to prepare decorations for the St Birinus Harvest Festival on **Sunday 8th October 10am**.

There will be a separate letter regarding this.

Marketing the School

It is the time of year when parents start to look round the School in preparation for their children starting in September 2018. Following the completion of our new building we are in the process of refreshing our promotional materials. On **Monday 25th September**, we will have a photographer in School. Please could you ensure your child is wearing smart correct uniform so we can capture our School at its best.

Beginning and End of School Day Routines

We always ensure that your child is returned to their responsible adult at the end of the day. Please could you make yourself visible to the Class Teacher of Swirls and Stripes Classes by being on the playground (rather than the driveway) when the class emerges from the KS1 entrance to make this process as easy and secure as possible.

KS2 children are expected to remain with their Class Teacher until their adult has arrived in the School grounds.

We very quickly get used to and recognise your extended family at drop off and pick up times, however if your child is being picked up at the end of the day by another parent please can you ensure that the School is informed. I am sure you will understand and expect this.

Employment Opportunities

We are looking for additional adults to be on our 'Bank Staff' for Mini Morgans as have extended our opening hours and

are operating a waiting list. If you would be interested in working with our youngest pupils (aged 2-4) and have some relevant experience or qualifications please email me your CV.

If you know of anyone with Childcare or Teaching qualifications who might be interested in working in our Pre-School, please encourage them to get in contact with us.

Lunchtime Football

Allan Adlam will be running a lunchtime football club for KS2 children on Tuesdays and Thursdays for half an hour on the field after the children have finished eating lunch. If your child would like to take part, they will need a change of trousers (tracksuit or jogging bottoms or similar) and shoes (trainers not boots) in School. Numbers may have to be limited due to our restricted field space at the moment – if this is the case children will be rotated so everyone plays who wants to at least once a week. This will start on **Tuesday 26th**.

Diary Dates

Harvest Festival

Friday 6th October 9.15am in St Birinus Church

International Day

Wednesday 18th October – this year we are going to Europe, more information to follow later.

Last Day of Term 1

Wednesday 18th October

TD Day – School Closed

Thursday 19th October

First Day of Term 2

Monday 30th October

Parents' Meetings

Wednesday 1st November 3.30pm
Thursday 2nd November 6.30pm