



13<sup>th</sup> July 2018

Dear Parents & Carers,

**Transition day**

The children really enjoyed their visits to their new classrooms yesterday. They were all very confident and felt very grown-up when they ‘practiced’ sitting in their new assembly places. Year Two had a lovely afternoon at the Juniors. They took a packed lunch and experienced playtime before meeting their teachers in their new classrooms. Mrs. Rees prepared a special circle time for them and they came back buzzing with excitement. Teachers are meeting colleagues to give a detailed handover for each child, including medical needs, etc. There will be an introduction to Year One and Year Two on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> September at 9:10am. Parents can come in to hear how classrooms are organized, what children will be learning and information about the work your children will be doing during the year.

**We have lots going on in school next week!**

**Monday:** Reception children are having a ‘Super Hero’ dress-up day; gymnastics display for parents at 4.00 pm

**Tuesday:** Junior School Leavers’ Mass 7.00 pm

**Wednesday:** please join KS1 pupils for the Year 2 Leaver’s Mass on Wednesday at 9:10. Parents please note that this will be a long Mass on a warm day for very young children; farm animals experience for children in Foundation Stage; Nursery party – please send food donations on the day and Nursery children can wear their own clothes.

**Thursday:** Last day for Nursery. Year 2 Leavers’ Party in the afternoon. Please sign up for food donations on the clipboard in the main entrance. Year 2 children can wear their own clothes.

**Friday:** final assembly of the year at 9.10 am.

**Free activities**

As the long summer holiday approaches, ideas for days out are like gold dust. Making money stretch over six weeks can be a challenge and following a chat with a Year One parent, I wondered if you had any websites with ideas for activities and free/cheap days out? We will compile a list and post it on the school website. Please send your suggestions to [admin@ssasinfants.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@ssasinfants.herts.sch.uk) marked ‘Holiday activities’. We have already had suggestions for <https://themummiesphere.co.uk/> and <https://raring2go.co.uk/>. Please note that school isn’t endorsing these sites, merely collecting your ideas.

**Happy’s Circus**

The circus is coming to St John Fisher school on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September. Doors open at 4:30, circus starts at 6pm. Tickets are £10 or £9 before 19<sup>th</sup> July. More information at [www.happyscircus.co.uk](http://www.happyscircus.co.uk).

**Reminders**

**Uniform** Fashion sandals and sparkly shoes are neither safe nor suitable footwear for school. Please keep these for the beach or a party. School hats are uniform items; other hats are not acceptable. Your child should have their red book bag with reading book and record as well as a **named water bottle** every day.

**Attendance** School finishes on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July at 1:20. Missing the last few days of term means your child loses learning and deprives them of the opportunity for further learning to enjoy planned activities.





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### **Staff vacancy**

We would like to recruit an additional member of staff for our Breakfast Club. The club runs every day from 7:45 to 9:00 in the school hall and takes pupils from both Infants and Juniors (there is some flexibility over the start time i.e from 8:00am and parents are welcome to bring their own infant children). Any advertised vacancy in school is subject to an enhanced DBS and safeguarding checks. Staff must be able to relate well to children, engaging them in play with peers and chatting to them about their interests. If you are interested in finding out more, please speak to Mrs. Dempsey or Miss Cannon.

### **Badgers**

A reminder to all Badgers parents that the club does not run on the last day of term. Last day for all Badgers children is Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July.

Kind regards



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