



**Dear parents/carers,**

The temperature has certainly changed as we move into Autumn—brr! Please do send your child in with a coat for playtimes outside now.

We have daily assemblies in school where we explore our school values and celebrate children who live them out. At the moment we are exploring Cooperation and the impact this can have in and outside school. Well done to Class 3 children for showing cooperation by working together to move their heavy water bottle holder and to our Year 6 children for working together in their small groups to give brilliant school tours during our open morning.

**Climbing Wall**

The children were excited when the climbing wall arrived at the end of September. There were different coloured routes to the top of the climbing wall—some harder than others. The children made the best of their opportunity by challenging themselves on different paths. The instructors leading the sessions were impressed with how children in all classes encouraged others. Well done to all our children, especially those who were nervous about this activity—you showed real courage.



## Harvest Celebration

Our celebration for the harvest will be on **Wednesday 25th October at 2pm at St Michael and All Angels church**. The children will be working with their classes to share a poem or song with you and we will sing together too. Do come and enjoy a celebration of harvest with us.

For Harvest we usually collect food for the local foodbanks to support those facing challenging situations. Please do consider donating non-perishable food items, tinned goods, dry goods, toiletries and household items. (Please do not send in fresh fruit and vegetables as the food bank cannot take these.) Every contribution, no matter how small, can add up to create a substantial impact. Your generosity can warm hearts and bellies during this season of sharing. Please bring your donations on **Mond 23rd/Tues 24th October**. Donations can be placed in the orange box at the front of the school—they will be displayed in the church.

Many thanks to the church for letting us use their beautiful building.

## PA Halloween Disco

Our brilliant PA have organised a Halloween Disco for 20th October. There are just a few tickets left so if you want to attend, please see Mrs Birch for a ticket.

## Lunch Menu

Mrs Birch has said there is a new lunch menu for after half term—she will e-mail this to you soon. If you need a printed copy please come and ask.

## Fire Drill & Policies

The school performed a fire drill to ensure everyone knew how to keep themselves safe if the fire alarm was triggered. The building was evacuated in less than three minutes and you'll be happy to hear everyone was accounted for. Especially well done to our Reception children who walked out calmly despite it being their first drill.

Please note our Health & Safety Policy can be found on our website, along with other policies that will be of interest to you such as Safeguarding, Anti-Bullying, Relationship and Sex Education, Exclusion and Attendance. If you would like a hard copy, please see the stand in the reception area/ask Mrs Birch in the office.

## DIARY DATES:

### Autumn Term 1

October 20th : Tag Rugby Tournament KS2

October 20th : Class 1 Cake Sale—3.15pm

October 20th: Halloween Disco 6-7.30pm—Owen Harris Hall

October 23rd : Open Morning for parents of reception children starting Sept 2024

October 25th : 2pm: Harvest at the church.

**October 26th : Last day of Term for children**

October 27th : INSET day for staff

### Autumn Term 2

**November 6th : First day of term for children**

November 8th : C5 Educational visit to Corinium Musuem

November 8th : Sports Hall Athletics (tbc)

November 9th : C4 Educational visit to Corinium Musuem

November 15th : C3 Educational visit to Corinium Museum

November 20th : Last week of clubs

November 22nd : Football Tournament

November 24th: Class 2 Cake Sale—3.15pm

December 7th : KS1 Christmas Nativity 2pm/5pm TBC (See ticket letter nearer the time)

December 8th: PA Christmas Fair (after school)

December 12th : KS2 Christmas performance 2pm/5.30pm TBC (See ticket letter nearer the time)

December 13th : KS2 Christmas performance 5pm TBC (See ticket letter nearer the time)

**December 22nd : Last day of term for children**

Thank you for your support,

**Zoe Avastu**  
Headteacher



*Aiming high.....together*