



AUTUMN TERM 1 NEWSLETTER – OCTOBER 2018

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I pray that you are all well and that you and your family are once again settled into the routines of school life. Thank you to those parents who attended the numerous parent workshop events and drop in sessions that we have arranged this half term. We hold a number of workshops throughout the year and our aim is always to provide helpful ways in which you can support your child in school. As ever, we have a busy term planned in school, and I wanted to take the opportunity to provide some forward dates for your diary so that you can attend as many as possible. JZK/Thank you for your ongoing and fantastic support of our school.

Please be advised that our first Celebration Assembly of the year will be on **FRIDAY 19TH OCTOBER** There will be two Assemblies: Reception and Year 1 from 8:50am to 10am and Year 2/Year 3 from 10:15 to 11:15 JZK

HEALTHY LUNCH BOXES AND SNACKS

Just a reminder that we are a healthy school and we promote a healthy snack as well as a healthy lunch. **PLEASE DO NOT SEND YOUR CHILD IN WITH CRISPS, CHOCOLATES & OTHER SUGARY FOODS OR DRINKS** as snacks and please remember, due to the number of children in school with severe allergies, please do not send in to school nuts or nut products. Thank you/JZK

Year 3 Residential Visit

We are keen to provide our Y3 pupils with the opportunity to participate in some outdoor and adventurous education during the Spring Term 2019. We would like input from Y3 parents as to what form this should take. Please read the separate letter that will be sent home on Monday and respond by Friday 19th October to enable Senior Leaders to make a decision as to which would be the best option.

Parent Shuraa

We had a great turn out for our first Parent Shuraa of the academic year. Thank you/JZK to all those who attended. There was good discussion about a range of subjects. Please see the minutes on the school website for further information (from Monday 15th October.) The date of the next meeting is:

THURSDAY 22ND NOVEMBER at 5:30PM

If you are unable to attend the meetings please email your ideas/suggestions to
info@olivepreston.staracademies.org

TERM DATES

The term dates for the next academic year 2019/20 are now on the website. Please bear these dates in mind when you are planning holidays. If you are planning a visit which involves your child missing time from school you **MUST** complete a form to inform us of this. Please remember that it is not Trust policy to authorise ANY leave during term time leave.

Thanks to your fantastic support last year the school overall achieved an attendance rate of 97.6% Thank you/JZK

PRINCIPAL'S SURGERY

The NEXT Principals Surgery is on **Tuesday 13th November** between the hours of 3pm and 5pm.

PARKING

As the days grow shorter, we would ask parents to extremely mindful about the choices being made when parking to pick up or drop off children. The majority of parents do park responsibly on the Mercer Street car park, and it would be fantastic if everyone could demonstrate respect for the school and surrounding businesses by similarly parking in the car park. Thank you/JZK for your support in keeping all of our children safe.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING - FRIDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER

Thank you to all parents who supported the fund raising effort for Macmillan Cancer Support. Whether you came along for a coffee and a piece of cake, sent in donations of cakes to sell, or sent in money for your child to spend, thank you for your support. We raised a total of £210:48 on behalf of this charity, which does so much to support families dealing with Cancer. On their behalf,

THANK YOU/JZK



Important dates for your diary Autumn (2) 2018

Thursday 1st November: Open evening for EYFS entry Autumn 2019 5:30-6:30- Olive School Hall

Friday 2nd November: Charity boxes for Children in Need pledge money sent home (letter to follow to explain)

Sunday 11th November: Armistice Day (marked in school by a minute silence Monday 12th November)

Monday 12th November: start of Inter Faith week. Pupils will learn more about other world religions

Monday 12th November- Anti Bullying week- we will explore the subject of bullying and how to seek help

Tuesday 13th November: formal Parent/Teacher consultation evening- letter regarding appointments to follow
Principal's Surgery (3pm-5pm)

Friday 16th November: Birth of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) - children share their spirituality aspirations devised with families (more details to follow)

Friday 16th November: Children in Need fund raising day: Non uniform. Wear pyjamas or go spotty! Bring a favourite bedtime story to read. Collection of Children in Need Pledge money

Monday 19th November: Start of Road Safety Week- details of a poster competition for pupils and their families to follow

Tuesday 20th November: Launch of the Olive Winter Gift Appeal- we will be asking families to contribute a Gift Box for distribution in the local community focusing on: the food bank; a residential home for the elderly and the children's ward at Preston hospital- more details to follow

Thursday 22nd November: Parent Shuraa 5:30pm-6:30pm

Thursday 6th December: 2nd Open evening for EYFS entry Autumn 2019 5:30pm-6:30pm- Olive School Hall

W.C. Monday 10th December: Distribution of Gifts from Winter Gift Appeal to local community

Friday 21st December: End of Term Celebration Assembly

School closes for the Christmas Holiday