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**Newsletter**  
**10th October 2017**

*Quote for the day: "You can teach a student a lesson for a day; but if you can teach him to learn by creating curiosity, he will continue the learning process as long as he lives." - Clay P. Bedford*

**Harvest assembly - Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October**

The harvest assembly will take place on **Thursday, at 2pm** in the school hall. Everyone is most welcome to attend this service. Donations of produce should be brought into school either the day before, or on the morning of, the assembly. These items will be distributed amongst the senior citizens living in our community on the Friday. The school holds a list of senior citizens in the area. Please let us know of any new senior citizens who have moved into the area, or of any who have not received harvest gifts from us before, but would like to do so now. Pupils are invited to decorate a shoebox and bring it to school to be used to distribute our harvest gifts.

**Parent Teacher Consultations**

These will take place on:

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October until 7.00pm

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October until 6.00pm

Booking forms for these consultations are in the entrance lobby for all pupils, from Nursery to Year 6. In the past, only parents of Nursery pupils in their first term of Nursery were invited to parent teacher consultations. This has been extended to include all Nursery pupils.

**Book Fair**

The Travelling Book Company 'book fair' is in school on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October, to coincide with Parent Consultation evenings. It will be open from 3.20pm until 4pm on these days, for you and your child to come and visit. Please support us, as the commission goes towards new books for school.

**Kingswood meeting -Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October**

On Wednesday, there will be a meeting for parents of children going on the Kingswood residential trip. Parents will be given further details about what the children are to expect, plus information about what they need to bring with them on the excursion and all the key times.

**Sports news**

It has been a very busy few weeks for sport, with the fixtures coming thick and fast.

Last Wednesday, our two netball teams travelled to Our Lady School to play matches. Some of our players were representing the school for the first time and they showed great resilience and determination. Thanks to some wonderful handling, footwork and shooting, both teams secured 2-2 draws. Well played to all of the players and thank you to all of the parents who came along to support. Last Thursday, our football team was narrowly defeated in its 'A Team' Wix Cup match at St. Ippolyts School. In a thrilling encounter, the team came from behind but was edged out by a late goal, as the match appeared to be heading for extra-time.

Later this week, Team Purwell will be participating in two English Schools Football Association (ESFA) competitions and we wish our boys and girls good luck in these.

### **Cleaner**

The school needs to recruit a Cleaner, to start on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November, to work five school days per week, two hours each day, either before or after school. Duties include cleaning classrooms and other areas of the school. The rate of pay is £7.78 per hour. If you are interested, please approach Mrs Barnes, in the school office, for an application form.

### **Midday Supervisor - Recruiting**

The school needs to recruit midday supervisors to work anything from one to five days per week. The hours are 11.55 a.m. to 1.05 p.m. Duties include supervising pupils in the dining room and on the playground. The rate of pay is £7.78 per hour. Why not think about joining our friendly lunchtime team?

Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest assembly - 2pm
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent Consultations (late)
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Parent Consultations (early)
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	PSA Halloween Disco
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> October</b>	<b>Half term</b>
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	Kingswood party departs
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Kingswood party returns
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	PSA Bingo Night
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	School Closed for INSET Day
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas lunch for pupils.
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	PSA Christmas Fair 12-2pm
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	EYFS/Key Stage 1 production Christmas (family) - Afternoon
	EYFS/Key Stage 1 production - Evening
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Key Stage 2 production Christmas (family) - Afternoon
	Key Stage 2 production - Evening
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	1:20pm Christmas assembly and certificates
	Last day of term. <b>Term ends at 2:00pm</b>

### **Rest of academic year - 2018**

#### **Spring Term 2018**

Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January	School Closed for INSET Day
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	Pupils return to school for start of Spring Term
<b>12<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Half term</b>
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Last day of term. <b>Term ends at 2:00pm</b>

#### **Summer Term 2018**

Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	School Closed for INSET Day
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Pupils return to school for start of Summer Term
<b>28<sup>th</sup> May - 1<sup>st</sup> June</b>	<b>Half term</b>
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	School closed for INSET Day
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of term. <b>Term ends at 2:00pm</b>
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> July	School closed for Occasional Day