



# Inspire Believe Achieve

We enable our children to be the best that they can be, through our vision of "Inspire Believe Achieve" rooted in the belief that "I can do all things through Him who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13

## October/ November 2023

### Head of School Update

What a busy half term we have had in school! Pupils across the school are settled into their new classes and busy working in all areas of the curriculum. From visits to classrooms, it is clear to see that the children are all engaged, enjoying their learning and making good progress.

The children had fantastic fun taking part in the Hedgehog Hunt arranged by the Swimming Pool Committee. It was great to watch the children searching the school field for hidden hedgehogs! Please could we ask that any outstanding sponsor money is sent into school promptly. Many thanks.

A number of pupils from Years 3 & 4 have represented the school in local football tournaments already this term. We have been very proud of their excellent sporting attitude and enthusiastic approach to the games.

After the half term break we will begin raising money for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal by selling poppies and other items so please support us by sending donations in with pupils to enable them to buy a poppy etc, should you wish. The school will also be supporting Children in Need on 17th November by holding a non-uniform day. More details to follow.

We have added the dates for all key events between now and the Christmas break to support parents with booking time off work etc. We hope you find this useful.

We are delighted to inform you that Miss Day gave birth to a baby boy on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October. Baby Joseph and his mum are both doing well. The half term break sees us wishing Mrs Worth farewell as she begins her maternity leave. We look forward to updating you with more baby news soon!

We would like to wish our families a wonderful half term break. We hope the weather is kind to you and look forward to welcoming you all back to school on **TUESDAY** 31<sup>st</sup> October.

### Drinks

Please be aware that pupils should only be drinking water whilst they are in the classroom. Children are able to bring in squash and juice as part of their lunch time drink and should be kept separate to their classroom water bottles.

### Term Dates:

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October to Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January to Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February to Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July

### Other Dates:

7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Open morning for EYFS 2024
7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Parent consultation meetings (3:40-6:30pm)
9 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Parent consultation meetings (3:40pm-6:30pm)
10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Open morning for EYFS 2024
13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Open afternoon for EYFS 2024
13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Swimming Pool AGM 4pm
15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Open afternoon for EYFS 2024
17 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Children in Need day
4 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Celebrations of Learning
7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christingle service at church (parents/ carers welcome)
8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Fair (in school hall from 3:30pm)
12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	EYFS/ KS1 Christmas Performance
13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	EYFS/ KS1 Christmas Performance
14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Dinner Day/ Christmas Jumper Day
15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	EYFS/KS1 Christmas party day
	KS2 panto visit
19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Carol Service at church (parents/ carers welcome)
20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Last day of term

### Reception 2023

If you have a child who is due to start school in Sept 2023, please visit our website to see our virtual school tour. We will be holding a number of open mornings and open afternoons during November for parents to see the school in action. Please see the school website for further details including booking information.

### Safeguarding

We believe that safeguarding is an important part of our work with children and young adults so will keep this reminder in all of our newsletters. Safeguarding is the responsibility of all of us. If you have concerns about the safety of any child, you should let somebody know. Both Miss Muir and Mrs Adie are the designated safeguarding officers within the school.

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