

## Dear Parents

The Wednesday Word is Follow

## KS2 trip

KS2 are going to the **Steam Museum** in Swindon on Tuesday 24 January. Children are asked to dress up as evacuees. Clothing suggestions were on the original letter and are on the website. Children require a packed lunch and plenty to drink. **Buses will leave promptly at 9.10am so please leave plenty of time to arrive at school, especially due to the heavy traffic along the A417 which is expected to continue next week.** Children will be back at school in time for the school buses.

#### New House captains

House captains were elected last week. They are: St John Paul II - Harriet and Erin; St Mother Teresa of Calcutta - Hannah and James; St Pio - Ava and Rares; St Josephine Bakhita - Ella and Maia. House captains will lead House Collective Worships throughout the year as part of their important role.

#### No parking at school after 8.30am

Please will all parents, except those with disabled badges, avoid parking at school. It causes great problems with buses, staff parking and congestion. It is also not safe as children walk up the lane and across the carpark at times. Debbie regularly has to remind several parents not to park their cars in the car park. If you are bringing your child to Breakfast club you may come up to school but please park at the front of school rather than the staff parking area.

#### **Mini-Vinnies**

The first session of the year will be on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup>. We look forward to hearing about their ideas for local projects.

#### Office

Debbie and I will be at a conference on Thursday and Friday next week. The office will be covered by staff who will answer your calls and deal with urgent queries, however we will not be reading emails. We urge you to telephone the school and speak to staff regarding important messages.

# Red kites and Squirrels cake sale –Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January

We would appreciate cakes from both classes please to sell to the rest of the school. All children may bring up £1 to buy cakes if they wish. Please note that if your child does not bring any money they will not be able to purchase a cake. In the event of surplus cakes, cakes will be sold after school. Proceeds for school funds. Thank you.



Next week we welcome Mrs Heakin who will be having two weeks KS1 experience in Rabbits class.

An updated Parents in Partnership Calendar is attached.

#### Help needed

Is there anyone who may have an hour to spare occasionally? We are always looking for help with general admin jobs in classes.

Best wishes Mrs H Ellery **Yr 6 Yenworthy Residential** – if you have not yet confirmed your child's place on the trip please could you do so by the end of next week as we have to confirm numbers with the Centre. Further information regarding the visit will be sent home at the beginning of Term 4.

If you want to find out more about the centre visit www.yenworthylodge.co.uk

In Term 4 the KS2 children will be doing hockey during PE lessons. It is advisable that they wear shin pads and a gum shield.

Diary Dates:		
Tues 24 Jan	-	Hedgehogs, Squirrels and Red Kites Classes trip to STEAM Museum, Swindon
Fri 27 Jan	-	Cakes Sale, Red Kits and Squirrels classes to provide cakes.
Mon 30 Jan	-	World Faith Week begins
Thurs 2 Feb	-	Candlemas adoration for Years 4, 5, & 6 in St Mary's.
Mon 6 Feb	-	Mass at St Mary's, St Amand's Feast Day, 9.15am. All welcome
Tues 7 Feb	-	Last Netball Club
Thurs 9 Feb	-	Last Sewing Club
Fri 10 Feb	-	Non-uniform day. Children to bring a "fine" for PTA funds.
	-	Bassistry Music Day, whole school
	-	End of Term 3, school finishes at 3.15pm
Mon 20 Feb	-	Term 4 begins