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Caring and Achieving

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The children are now settled in their classes and the autumn term is in full swing. It is so lovely to walk around school, seeing and hearing the buzz of learning taking place in each classroom. 5/6 Oak had a brilliant time at RAF Cosford this week and were excellent ambassadors for the school! Look out for more information about trips and other curriculum enrichment activities taking place in other classes this term.

This week I have some exciting dates to share with you about up-coming church events and the first opportunity of the year for you to come into school to meet your child's class teacher and look at your child's books.

Harvest Festival

This year, all children will take part in the Harvest Festival at All Saints' Church on **Thursday 13th October at 9.30am**. Please could you bring any donations of unperishable items or fruit and vegetables into school on Wednesday 12th October. All donated food items will be taken to the church who will then donate them to those in need locally after their Sunday service. Parents and carers are welcome to join us for the Harvest Festival in the church but please be aware that seating will be limited.

Secret Reader

All classes are now taking part in our 'Secret Reader' challenge. Each week one child's reading diary will be chosen at random and if that child has been heard read at home, by a parent or carer, five times that week, the whole class will receive a reward e.g., wearing slippers for the day or having no homework that week. Please discuss this fun challenge with your child and support them by listening to them read at home daily.

Parent-teacher Consultations

This term's parent-teacher consultations will take place on **Monday 17th October** and **Wednesday 19th October**. As in previous years you will be able to book your appointment through the Teachers2Parents app. If you are new to the school and require support downloading this app, please speak to Mrs Jones in the office or speak to me on the gate.

PTFA Events

Teacher's will be hosting a Film Night on **Wednesday 2nd November** to raise money for the PTFA. There will be two films for the children to watch (one film for Reception and KS1 and a different film for KS2). More details of the film choices will follow, and tickets will be available through ParentPay.

Two Christmas fairs will take place this year: KS1 and EYFS on **Friday 9th December** and KS2 on **Monday 12th December**. More details of the stalls and activities that will be available will follow.

A reminder that a family Dudley Zoo ticket can still be purchased at a very reasonable £25.00 From Anna Parr. There are a number of special events taking place at the zoo between now and Christmas that you can top up the school's family ticket with e.g. a trip to see Santa in December.

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September Safeguarding Message – Online Safety

Understanding online safety is tricky for all ages. The NSPCC have advice to help you learn about staying safe online as a family: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

A lot of parents have asked for support in helping with identifying games and apps that are appropriate for their children. The Common Sense website: <https://www.common sense media.org/> gives honest reviews from parents about the age appropriateness of a range of media that your child may want to access.

Important dates for your diary:

Monday 10th October – Joe Roebuck (Olympic swimmer) visiting

Thursday 13th October, 9.30am – Harvest Festival (All Saints' Church)

Monday 17th October and Wednesday 19th October – Parent-teacher consultations

Monday 24th October - Friday 28th October - Half term

Monday 31st October - INSET Day

Wednesday 2nd November – PTFA Film Night

Thursday 8th December – Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas lunch

Friday 9th December, 2.45pm – EYFS and KS1 Christmas Fair

Monday 12th December, 2.45pm – KS2 Christmas Fair

Wednesday 14th December - Year 1 to 6 trip to the pantomime

Thursday 15th December, 9.30am – Christmas service (All Saints' Church)

Friday 16th December, 1.15pm - School closes for Christmas

As always, should you wish to discuss any aspect of your child's education, please speak to me on the gate or contact the school office to arrange a meeting with me.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Louise de Graaff
Head of School

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