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7<sup>th</sup> September 2016

Dear Parent / Carers

Hello and welcome back! The children have all settled in really well and we are looking forward to an exciting year ahead. I would also like to extend a warm welcome to our new parents and children in the Nursery Class.

Our best wishes go out to Miss Morris who has given birth to a beautiful baby boy, Reuben Felix. Both are doing extremely well and she will hopefully be popping into school soon with her bundle of joy! Mrs Topping will be covering the maternity leave as SENCO and teaching part-time in Year 6.

Throughout the year, the children will be receiving specialist sports coaching from Steve Hoare. He will be covering a wide range of sports for all ages and also providing an after school club. Tom Penny, FA coach, will be joining us again for the Autumn Term to provide football coaching for all classes. More details of after school clubs will follow. If any parent / grandparent has a skill i.e. sewing, craft, sport etc. that they would like to share with a small group of children as an extra-curricular activity, please contact the school. Parents are always welcome in school and your help and support is vital to our partnership. We also welcome Melissa Pearson, School-Direct Trainee Teacher, to the school. Miss Pearson will be working alongside Miss Piper in Year 4 / 5 throughout the Autumn Term.

Our fantastic new breakfast club has started and places can be booked through the school office. Mrs Crowder organises the club which provides care from 8.00am onwards. Places are limited to 15 children and prepayment is required. We also offer wrap-around care for our Nursery children in the afternoons. Please contact Mrs Sharp for further details.

Mr Cook continues to be suspended without prejudice prior to a Crown Court appeal and Governing Body Panel review. We will endeavour to keep you updated as information is made available.

Please find a list of dates and events for the coming year. All the information is available on the school website along with letters to parents and any other important news. Finally, a huge thank you goes to the parents who have helped Mrs Pearce develop her outside area. Your kind and generous help is much appreciated. The staff are raring to go and we look forward to working with parents, the Church and the local community to provide the very best opportunities for the children in our care – exciting times ahead!

Thank you for your help and support,

Nick Sharp



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## Dates for Autumn 2016

Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> Sept	'Meet the teacher' 3.15 – 3.45pm. Come along for an informal meeting with your new class teacher and find out about topics and routines.
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sept	Harvest Festival in St James' Church 2.30pm. Please join us for our annual Harvest celebration – everyone is welcome! Gifts of fruit / vegetables and non-perishable items (tins, tea bags etc.) for the local community will be gratefully received in Church from 8.30am onwards on the morning of the service.
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> Sept	NSPCC assembly and workshop sessions
Tues 27 <sup>th</sup> Sept	School Photographer – individual and family groups. Pre-school children can be photographed with brothers / sisters between 8.30 – 9.30am. Parents of Nursery children who are not timetabled for school, please feel free to bring them at 9.00am.
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Library Van visit (return all reading books on loan)
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Mon – Thurs / Bikeability training Year 6
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Parents' evening 3.30 – 6.00pm (Further details to follow)
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct	PTA Disco 5-6pm / 6-7pm
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Break up for Half Term 3.15pm (Return Mon 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct)
Tues-Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	KS1 Nativity 2.30pm
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	PTA Christmas Fair 4 – 6pm
Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	KS2 Carol Concert St James' Church 6.00pm
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	End of term - 2.30pm (Return Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan)



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