

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2023

*'Grow in the Grace and Knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ' 2 Peter 3: 18*

## Parents evening

It was wonderful to see so many families visit school for parents evening. I hope that you found the time useful with your child's class teacher.

## Open Afternoon

Last Thursday was really busy, it was great to welcome many new families into our school. the children from Sycamore did a great job guiding the visitors around our school. Our face book page continues to promote 'life at Coppull St John's' and we appreciate you continuing to share these posts with the wider community.

PTFA events coming up- letters have come home with more information.

<b>Book at Bedtime</b>	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October 6-7pm
<b>Christmas disco</b>	Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> December at 6-7pm
<b>Christmas Bingo</b>	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December doors open 5.30pm- eyes down at 6!
<b>Breakfast with Santa</b>	Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December ** change of date**from 8.15am

## Harvest

Thank you so very much for the sponsorship money already coming into school. Please use half term week to encourage your children to spot signs of Autumn. Any sponsorship collected is very much appreciated and all the monies raised will be donated to CRESS UK – **Christian Relief and education for South Sudan**. The money will be used to educate, support and train the people in South Sudan with knowledge and skills to empower themselves and develop self-sustaining communities. If you need another copy of the autumn scavenger hunt ideas or sponsor form, please contact the school office.



## Class assembly

Family and friends of Maple class are welcome to join us for worship on **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October**. Children will be leading worship. This will be our first class assembly since before the pandemic- we are delighted to be able to offer this opportunity to families once again.

## Early Reading and Spelling

On **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November** there will be workshops for parents with children in Key Stage 1. Workshops will start at 6pm.



In Oak class the workshop will focus on early reading and phonics. In Maple class there will be opportunity to explore the next stages of reading and moving onto spelling rules. We do hope you can join us.

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## A note from Rev Matt...

We will be starting Confirmation Classes on Friday 10th November for those in year 6, running from 4.30pm to 6.00pm in St John's Hall, Hewlett Street PR7 5AB.

Confirmation is an opportunity to say for yourself the promises that parents and godparents made for you at baptism. (If you haven't been baptised, we can arrange a baptism for you as well!) In other words, Confirmation is a person's own, mature, considered decision to follow Jesus. Therefore, Confirmation is reserved for people in school year 6 and older. (Parents or older siblings can join in too!) The Confirmation service will take place in St John's Church, on a Saturday evening in March 2024.

The confirmation classes will run as part of the ongoing Youth Group, we'll all play games and eat snacks together, then split into 3 different groups, one of which will be the Confirmation Class.

Upcoming dates for your diary	Events
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	MAPLE Class assembly at 9am
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	END of HALF TERM school closes at normal time
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October	School opens
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Early reading and phonics workshop
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Individual Photographs
From Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Antibullying week 'Make a noise' Odd Sock Day
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Spots & Yellow for Children-in- Need/ Bake sale
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> November	Christmas Switch On!
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	WILLOW Class assembly at 9am
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	KS 1 visit Albert Halls to see Cinderella
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	KS 2 visit Octagon theatre to see 'Around the World in 80 days'
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Performance 2pm and 6pm
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Carol Service in church
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Christmas dinner day
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December	Christmas jumper day – raising funds for Save the Children
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	Class party day
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	END of TERM school closes at

**Look out for letters with details about many of the events taking place.**

## St John's Church are having a Halloween Bingo - all welcome to attend

**FRIDAY 20<sup>th</sup> October** Doors Open 6.00 p.m. with Eyes down at 6.30 p.m. 50p Admission £1.00 per Book St. John's Church Hall. There will be a raffle; slices of Pizza & Hot Dogs will be available too.

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