

Year 2017- 2018

**Inset Days:** 2017/2018

Mon 4th Sept

Tues 5th Sept

Fri 20th Oct

Fri 9th Feb

Fri 13th July

**Autumn Term 2017**

**Half term:**

Mon 23rd Oct - Fri 27th Oct

**End of Term**

Wed 20th Dec

Please accept our apologies as there were some errors in the dates published in the last School Newsletter.

**Autumn Key Dates**

Thurs 28th Sept -  
Parent Workshops

Tues 3rd Oct flu prevention  
for Years 1,2,3 & 4

Mon 9th Oct Scholastic  
Book Week

Wed 18th Thurs 19th Oct  
Open Eves

Fri 17th Nov  
Non-Uniform Day

Wed 22nd Nov  
KS1 Rainbow Theatre

Fri 1st Dec Xmas Fair

Tues 5th Dec Enable Me  
(Dates Xmas lunch, carol  
service and disco are to be  
confirmed).

**Spring Term 2018**

Starts: Thurs 4th Jan

**Half Term:**

Mon 12th Feb- Fri 16th Feb

**End of Term**

Thurs 29th March

**Summer Term 2018**

Starts: Mon 16th April

**Half Term:**

Mon 28th May -Fri 1st June

**End of Term**

Tuesday 25th July

## Important Safety Notice

Parents, please help us to reduce the early morning 'bottle-neck' that occurs on the pathways leading into the KS1 block and main school buildings.

Please wait with your children on the playground so that the pathways and surrounding areas remain clear. Then say goodbye to your children on the playground allowing the teachers and children to access the school buildings quickly and safely.

## Attendance

The children have made an excellent start to school and we hope that this will continue.

While children may miss an occasional day through illness, our goal is full attendance for everyone.

Each morning or an afternoon counts as a session so there are 10 sessions in a full week.

**The government expects a minimum of 96% attendance.**

Pupils' attendance is colour coded in line with WSCC requirements :

Red (less than 93%) cause for concern and referral to Pupil Entitlement Investigation Team.

Amber (93-95.99%) not up to required standard

Green (96%+) satisfactory

### Absence Procedures

Please ring the school office by 9.30am to let us know if your child is sick and unable to attend to school. Continue to ring the school office on a daily basis if your child's absence continues.

Please note that absences of three days or more will not be authorised unless supported by medical evidence.

### Requests for leave of absence

Any request for absence of leave due to exceptional circumstances must be made in writing to the head teacher.

Schools are not permitted to authorise absence for pupils taking statutory tests including SATs.

**KS2 SATs Mon 14 - Thurs 17 May 018.**

**KS1 SATs take place during May.**

**Please note that schools are not allowed to authorise holidays taken in term time.**

## Disabled Parking Bays

Please do not park in the disabled parking bay unless you are a registered disabled badge holder.

We have a number of pupils and parents who have ambulatory difficulties who need access to these bays.

## School Clubs

Due to insufficient take-up, Miss Marshall's Volley Club will not run this term.

Miss Moore's after school Singing Club (Year 1 & 2) currently has spaces. Please let the office know if your child would like to join. If there is no further take-up then the club will not run.

## Bike Week

As part of our Travel Plan, we are holding a special Bike Week. Each class has been given a special Bike Day when we would like the children to cycle or scoot to school. There will be special competitions and challenges for each class on their Bike Day including 'Bling Your Bike', Big Pedal, Bike Count and Cycle Challenge. (Please see separate letter from Miss Lewis for more details). Please note that children who usually cycle to school every day should continue to do so but the competitions will run on their class Bike Day.

## Parent Workshops

There are some places still available for our Parent Workshops on Thursday 28th September.

The workshops include:

Early Reading and Writing

Year 1 Phonics Screening & RWI

Year 2 Expectations & SATs

Year 6 Expectations & SATs

Maths Makes Sense