



January 2015

- Thurs 15th YR 2015 Closing date for applications
- Fri 23rd Karate in school pm
- Wed 28th KS2 Tudor Day (we will be dressing up!)

February

- Wed 4th Parents' Evening
- Fri 13th Church Fun Club 3.15pm – 5pm
- Fri 13th School closes
- **Mon 23rd School opens 8.55am**
- Wc 23rd Prayer week in school
- Mon 23rd Hand2Mouth Lord's Prayer Journey
- Thurs 26th Y6 Magistrates Court visit
- Fri 27th Y6 cooking pm

March

- Thurs 5th World Book Day
- Sat 7th Football Competition at RVHS
- Mon 9th Whitby £75 instalment due
- Mon 9th KS2 Macbeth performance by Manactco pm
- Thurs 12th Hand2Mouth assembly
- Tues 24th Netball Competition at RVHS am.
- Fri 27th Easter bonnet parade 9.15am
- Fri 27th School closes for Easter

April

- Mon 13th School opens 8.55am

Welcome back to the New Year at St John's

First of all a very big "thank you" from all the staff for the lovely gifts they received at Christmas.

Karate

As part of our Friday afternoon activity sessions, we have Halifax Sport Karate coming into school from January 23rd until the end of the academic year. Years 1 to 6 will be involved and parents should already have received a detailed letter. Please call at the office if you would like another letter.

KS2 Tudor Day

On **Wednesday 28th January**, KS2 will be holding a Tudor Day as part of their Humanities Topic work this term. A more detailed letter has been sent home with costume ideas for the children to be dressed up on the day!

Year 6 parents: please note the date of the Whitby residential trip in your diary Tuesday 16th June – Friday 19th June 2015.

The next instalment of £75 is due by 9th March but payment can be made at any time. Please send any payment to the school office with your child's blue Whitby payment card.

Save the Date!!

Friday 15th May 2015 until 1am, for the PTA Ball at The Fleece, Ripponden.

KS2 Cooking

A quick reminder that Year 5 pupils will be cooking for 3 more weeks until Friday 13th February. **All pupils will need to bring £1.50, an apron, a tea towel and an oven proof container.** Y6's will be cooking from Friday 27th February until Friday 27th March.

School Gates

For the safety of the children, could we remind parents/carers to ensure the school gates are always closed and bolted as they arrive at and leave the school premises.

Reception intake 2015

If you are aware of any siblings or children due to start school in September 2015, please ensure their application is either sent to Calderdale, given to the School office or submitted on-line by **15th January 2015**.

School dinners

Menus for the half term to Easter holidays will be sent home shortly. Please return completed menus to the school office by **26th January** if your child requires a school dinner to Easter. Please ask if you do not receive a copy. Thank you to those parents who have paid this ½ term dinner money on time. **Please could all outstanding dinner money be brought into school as soon as possible.**

Please encourage your child to read the club sheets that are displayed in KS1, KS2 to find out which after school clubs are taking place. There is also a copy displayed in the Aftercare cabin for you to view.

Bad Weather and texting

With the winter approaching it is vital that all mobile contact numbers are up to date as we will use the texting service to notify parents of any closure.

Bad weather can disrupt traffic and cause school closure, however the school will only close if there is insufficient staff to supervise the children safely.

Can parents/carers please visit the school and Calderdale's websites;

www.stjohnsrishworth.org.uk OR www.calderdale.gov.uk/emerge_ncyschoolclosures and listen to BBC Radio Leeds 92.4 fm / 774 am and The Pulse 102.5fm where up to date information will be found.

Please remember

- to have indoor & outdoor PE kits in school
- to have long hair tied up at all times
- not to wear ear rings for swimming or PE
- to fill your child's water bottle with water – no juice please

The school office is open from 8.30am to 12.15pm and from 12.45pm to 3.30pm. Please leave a message outside of these times.