



“
Your word is a lamp to guide
my feet and a light for my path.
”
(Psalm 119.105)

Newsletter 14

29th March 2018

This term's core value: Compassion

Dear Parents and Carers

Well, Easter is upon us. It was lovely to see all the children in their Easter bonnets today. I'm writing this with my chicken still on my head as I'm rather fond of it.

Thank you to Mrs Richardson and the School Travel Plan team for organising the Easter bonnet walk to school and refreshments today.

Reminder - no use of driveway

Sorry to start with a moan, but despite lots of reminders, parking permits issued and thorough explanations of why parents are not permitted to use the staff car park, some parents still are. Please stop, I really don't want to add the title of traffic warden to my job description!

Graveyard etiquette/respect

Second and last moan, please ensure that children are respectful when walking through the graveyard and remind them to push rather than ride their bicycles or scooters.

Spring Fayre

Thank you to all those who organised, helped at and attended the Spring Fayre. We are still adding up the profits but despite the less than spring like weather we raised a great amount.

Sport Relief Week

Thank you to Mr A for organising a great week of sporting activities for the children, including archery, rugby and aerobics to name a few. We received a total of £90.25 in donations which we will be sending to this worthwhile charity.

Easter Carousel

Thank you to all the church representatives and the Christian Values group who organised the Easter carousel. The children took part in six different activities yesterday based on the Easter story and they were all telling me that they had had a great time. One child actually said that it was the best day of her life! I've also spotted some fantastic choreographers and contemporary dancers during the dance section of the carousel.



Southbank Sinfonia



Yesterday was a truly amazing day as, after the Easter carousel, we were treated to a live performance of 'Peter and the Wolf' thanks to Emelia Kennedy-Over's family who brought some members of 'Southbank Sinfonia' in to perform for us and talk about their instruments. The children were truly in awe of



the musicians and so were we. If you would like to know more about the orchestra please click here:

<https://www.southbanksinfonia.co.uk/>

Baby news

We are pleased to announce that there will be two St Mary's staff babies born this year. Baby Harrison (Kim from Happy Hedgehogs) is expected in June and baby Booth (Amelia from the kitchen and Rainbow TA) is expected in July. We can't wait to meet them!

Have a lovely, lovely Easter.

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mrs Karen Collett".

Mrs Karen Collett
Headteacher

Haddenham St Mary's Church of England School Calendar

| Buckinghamshire Term Dates 2017 - 2018 | | |
|--|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Spring Term 1 2018 | Thursday 4 January 2018 | Friday 9 February 2018 |
| Spring Term 2 2018 | Monday 19 February 2018 | Thursday 29 March 2018 |
| Summer Term 1 2018 | Monday 16 April 2018 | Friday 25 May 2018 |
| Summer Term 2 2018 | Monday 4 June 2018 | Friday 20 July 2018 |

| Haddenham St Mary's INSET Days 2017 - 2018 | | |
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| Monday 23 July 2018 | Tuesday 24 July 2018 | |

| Buckinghamshire Term Dates 2018 - 2019 | | |
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| Autumn Term 1 2018 | Thursday 6 September | Friday 19 October |
| Autumn Term 2 2018 | Monday 29 October | Wednesday 19 December |
| Spring Term 1 2019 | Monday 7 January | Friday 15 February |
| Spring Term 2 2019 | Monday 25 February | Friday 5 April |
| Summer Term 1 2019 | Wednesday 24 April | Friday 24 May |
| Summer Term 2 2019 | Monday 3 June | Wednesday 24 July |

| Haddenham St Mary's INSET Days 2018 - 2019 | | |
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| Wednesday 5 September | Wednesday 2 January | Thursday 3 January |
| Friday 4 January | Tuesday 23 April | |

| Calendar of Events: Spring 2018 | |
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| Monday 16 th April | Return to School for Summer Term Sunshine WOW Day |
| Friday 20 th April | PTA Cinema Night |
| Friday 27 th April | Extravaganza - 150 Years Celebration and Opening of New classrooms |
| Thursday 3 rd May | Sunshine Classes trip to Warwick Castle |
| Thursday 17 th May | Rainbow Vision Screening with School Nurses |
| Tuesday 12 th June | Sky Classes visit to Shortenills Environmental Centre |
| Friday 15 th June | Bike to school with Dad 9:05 - Father's Day Breakfast |
| Monday 18 th June | Class Photographs with Veronica Stewart |
| Tuesday 19 th June | Class Photographs with Veronica Stewart (reserve day) |
| Tuesday 26 th June | Rainbow Classes Trip to Whipsnade Zoo |
| Tuesday 3 rd July | County Move Up Day |
| Wednesday 4 th July | 1:30pm Sports Day |
| Wednesday 11 th July | 1:30pm Reserve Sports Day |
| Friday 13 th July | PTA Cinema Night |