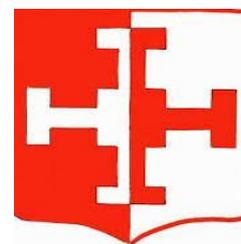


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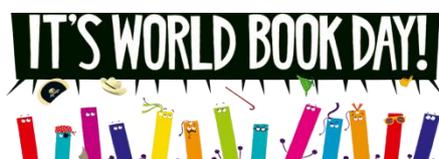
I would like to say a huge thank you to all of our parents for the welcome that you have given me. For those of you that haven't met me yet my name is Jacqui Potts and I am now the Executive Head teacher at St Chad's. What this means is that I am also head at another school – Mount Carmel RC Primary in Blackley so I am spending time at both schools during the week. I am looking forward to meeting all of you but most importantly I am really looking forward to working with your amazing children. They are a credit to you! Please feel free to come to speak to me if you have any concerns, I am trying to get out to the gates every morning when I'm here. If you don't manage to catch me, if you tell the office they can let me know and I can give you a call next time I'm in. Thank you all for your support!

Jacqui Potts – Executive Headteacher

World Book Day – March 6th

This week, we celebrated World Book Day by having a fun day sharing stories and doing other fun activities. The teachers read their favourite stories to the children in a different class.

Each child has been given a £1 book token to buy a selected World Book Day for free or £1 off a book that costs £2.99 or more.



Important Dates:

Sunday 8th March – Sacramental Mass for Y3 at 11 a.m. St. Chad's RC Church

Thursday 9th April – School closes at 2 p.m. for Easter

Friday 8th May – School closed for the Bank Holiday (school is open on Monday 4th May)

Please find attached the ACADEMIC YEAR 2020 – 2021 HOLIDAY LIST

Lent 2020

During Lent, Pope Francis asks us to prepare to celebrate with renewed hearts, the great mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus. Bishop John asks us to reflect on what has changed in my life and in my heart, so that I can embrace Lent 2020 as truly a 'favourable time', a gift from God?

Over Lent, we are encouraged to pray, fast and give to others. St. Chad's Church has asked if we can donate one of the following items to give to those that need our help. The items we need are: **tinned soup, pot noodles, cuppa soup, tinned baked beans or spaghetti, long life milk, teabags or instant coffee, tinned fruit or biscuits.**



Feast Day of St Chad

On Monday 2nd March, it was the feast of St. Chad our patron saint. We celebrated this special day by going to mass at St. Chad's church. Our children were respectful in church and their behaviour at all times was amazing – well done!



Attendance and Punctuality

Please make sure your child(ren) are in school by 8.50 a.m. Any medical appointments, where possible, please can you make them outside of school hours so that it does not disrupt your child's learning. Our school target is 95% attendance, any child falling below this, we will be arranging an attendance review meeting to discuss our concerns and how we can support you and your child(ren) so that they can be in school more so their attendance improves.

ACADEMIC YEAR 2020 – 2021 HOLIDAY LIST

AUTUMN TERM		
Thursday	3 rd September 2020	SCHOOL OPENS
Thursday	22 nd October 2020	SCHOOL CLOSES
<i>Half Term Holiday</i>		
Monday	2 nd November 2020	SCHOOL OPENS
Friday	18 th December 2020	School Closes Early at 2.00 pm for Christmas.
<i>Christmas Holidays</i>		
SPRING TERM		
Tuesday	5 th January 2021	SCHOOL OPENS
Thursday	11 th February 2021	SCHOOL CLOSES
<i>Half Term Holiday</i>		
Monday	22 nd February 2021	SCHOOL OPENS
Thursday	1 st April 2021	School Closes Holy Thursday at 2.00 p.m.
<i>Easter Holidays</i>		
SUMMER TERM		
Monday	12 th April 2021	SCHOOL OPENS
Monday	3 rd May 2021	SCHOOL CLOSED – Bank Holiday
Friday	21 st May 2021	SCHOOL CLOSES
<i>Half Term Holiday</i>		
Monday	7 th June 2021	SCHOOL OPENS
Wednesday	21 st July 2021	School Closes early at 2.00 p.m.