

# Dewhurst St Mary Newsletter

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022

'Inspiring all to Dream, Believe, Achieve'



## Dates for your diaries

Parent teacher consultations Mon 17<sup>th</sup> & Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> October

Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> Oct Anti-racism day

Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Oct FOD's cake sale

Fri 11<sup>th</sup> Nov FODs 80's family disco 6-8pm

Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Nov –Children In Need spotty theme

Half term 24<sup>th</sup> -28<sup>th</sup> Oct

**INSET DAY-31<sup>st</sup> October**

Back to school Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> Nov

Weds 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov - School photos

Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> Nov - FoD's Non-Uniform day

Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> & Sun 4<sup>th</sup> Dec –Winter wonderland

Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper day

Weds 14<sup>th</sup> December

**Last day of term Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> Dec 1.30**

OCCASIONAL DAY Weds 21<sup>st</sup> Dec

Christmas holidays 21<sup>st</sup> Dec –4<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023

Back to school Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023

Half term 13-17<sup>th</sup> Feb

Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> March World Book Day

Last day Fri 31<sup>st</sup> March 1.30pm

Easter holidays 1<sup>st</sup> -16<sup>th</sup> April 2023

INSET 17<sup>th</sup> April

Back to school 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Bank holiday Mon 1<sup>st</sup> May

Half term 29<sup>th</sup> May-2<sup>nd</sup> June 2023

Transition day Thurs 13<sup>th</sup> July

Last day Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> July 2023

**Please remember attendance is mandatory and parents should plan their holidays around the above school holiday breaks. Holidays and days out will not be authorised. Please note that even brief term time holidays can affect children in school adversely. We appreciate your understanding and thank you for supporting us in improving attendance.**

## 'Let your light shine'

Matthew 5:16

Our School Value; TRUST



**John 14.1:** Do not let your hearts be troubled.  
Trust in God, trust also in me.

**1 Corinthians 13. 6-7:** Love does not delight in evil, but rejoices in the truth, it always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

## Reminder INSET DAY coming up

We have a staff training day (INSET) the day after half term on **Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October** and our occasional day is Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> Dec. The school will be closed to pupils on both of those days.

## Parent/Teacher Consultations

We have almost finished reviewing the provision and targets of our SEN (Special educational needs) pupils with parents. All other parents will receive an electronic invite later to make an online Parent/Teacher Consultation. The consultations will take place using the Video School Cloud next week on **Mon 17<sup>th</sup> and Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> Oct**. This short initial meeting is intended to be an opportunity to see how your child has settled. Parent/Carers will be invited into school in the Spring term to discuss in more detail attainment and progress and to look at their child's books. End of year reports go out in the Summer term to report on your child's progress, achievements and next steps.

**Yr 2 Scooterbility training** has been rearranged for this Weds 12<sup>th</sup> in the playground.

## Family Assemblies 2.45pm

Friday Oct 21<sup>st</sup> Year 1 (Next Week)

Friday Nov 4<sup>th</sup> Year 4

Weds Nov 9<sup>th</sup> Year 5

Friday Nov 25<sup>th</sup> Year 3

Friday Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> Year 6

Reception will be busy practising for their nativity so their first family assembly will be in the Spring term. Lots of their learning in class is shared using their online learning journals

## Internet Safety

Please be aware of the age restrictions of the apps the children may request from you. We have some useful information on our website: <https://dewhurst.herts.sch.uk/parents/esafety>  
Please click this link to using parental controls.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/parental-controls/>

## Absence

If you are reporting absence please e-mail our NEW attendance email before 9am [attendance@dewhurst.herts.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@dewhurst.herts.sch.uk) this will go straight to Mrs Dove our attendance officer. If we have not heard from you we make contact to rule out a safeguarding concern. Please also remember to cancel their chosen meal before 8am.