# Dewhurst St Mary Newsletter

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023

'Let your light shine' Matthew 5:16



### Dates for your diaries

Family Assemblies Year 1 Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Jan Year 2 Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb Reception Fri 24<sup>th</sup> Feb Year 5 Weds 1<sup>st</sup> March Year 4 Fri 10<sup>th</sup> March Year 3 Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> March Year 6 Fri 24<sup>th</sup> March

Choir performing at O2 **Mon 16**<sup>th</sup> Half term 13-17<sup>th</sup> Feb

Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> March World Book Day Parent Consultation Evenings: Tue 28<sup>th</sup> or Thurs 30<sup>th</sup> March Palm Service Weds 29<sup>th</sup> March

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 Summer term 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023

Bank holiday Mon 1<sup>st</sup> May 2023

Bank holiday Mon 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Yr 6 SATS Tues 9<sup>th</sup> – Fri 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Y2 SATS – During May

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

Yr4 – Multiplication Check-June Yr1 – Phonics screening week beg 12<sup>th</sup> June Transition day Thurs 13<sup>th</sup> July

Last day Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> July 2023 1.30 finish

**'Let your light shine' Matthew 5:16**Our School Value;



#### Deuteronomy 31.6:

Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.

#### 2 Timothy 1.7:

For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid but gives us power, love and self-discipline.

Inspiring all to 'Dream, Believe, Achieve'

#### **Online Safety**

Last week classes focused their learning around staying safe online. As part of having clear expectations we have sent revised pupil and parent agreements for you to discuss, sign and send back to school. Our current reception pupils have already completed these.

#### **Extra-curricular Clubs**

Extra-curricular Clubs will be starting next week w/b 16<sup>th</sup> with the exception of Choir who are meeting this Wednesday in preparation of their performance at the O<sub>2</sub> next week!

#### **FOD's Meeting**

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 9.05am Dining Hall

#### **Tuesday Forest School**

Year 4 will be the next class to pull on the wellies and get exploring starting this Friday. We look forward to hearing all about this.

#### **Swimming**

Well done to all our Year 4's who made so much progress in the Autumn term. We look forward to taking Year 5's from now until Easter. We aim for all pupils to be able to swim 25m using front crawl, backstroke and breaststroke and perform safe self-rescue in different water-based situations.

#### **RECEPTION 2023** (Current nursery children)

Applications for Reception 2023 will close on Sunday 15th January 2023. More information can be found here.

## REMINDERS- Please check all uniform and water bottles are labelled PLEASE KEEP OUR CHILDREN SAFE- DO NOT DRIVE DOWN THE LANE

#### **Absence**

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

Message classteacher on Dojo about;	A concern in class / a quick query/good news Curriculum /about learning Change of collection of pupil
E-mail the office admin@dewhurst.herts.sch.uk	An enquiry Payment for an item/trip Medication
E-mail attendance attendance@dewhurst.herts.sch.uk	Reporting absence Informing of medical appointments
Use the APP SchoolGateway	Paying and ordering dinner money Can message office through it too

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