

As a Catholic school, St Wulstan's seeks to enable each child to walk in faith with Christ, loving Him and each other. With the help of our families, our parish and our local community, we will do our best to use the gifts that God has given us to make our world a richer place.

13 October 2017

## Dear Parents

Thank you to all the Reception Class parents who attended our Information evening last night, with many of you saying how useful and supportive you found the evening. If you have any questions or would like some further guidance please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Edwards.

Our next ever popular PTA children's cake sale will restart this term. The first will be held on Tuesday 17 October. This term, letters will be sent out requesting donations from Reception Class and Year 1. If you would like your child to buy a cake please send them with 30p on Tuesday morning.

Yesterday we had a lovely afternoon as we welcomed M and M Theatrical Productions who performed 'Sleeping Beauty'. It was an exciting and valuable opportunity and I am sure the children gained from the experience.

On Monday 16 October the Friends of St Wulstan's/PTA will be holding their Annual General Meeting in the Brinton Arms at 7pm. The Friends had a very successful year last year and worked very hard, but are very keen to listen to all new ideas and welcome all new parents whether they are new to the school or have just not been to Friends' meetings before. For our parents who are new to the school the Friends' meetings are a good way to get to know other parents and to socialise whilst supporting the school. There is no pressure to take a leading role so please do come along – the more people who get involved the better!

Parents Evening will be held on Tuesday 17 October 4.00-7.00pm and Wednesday 18 October 5.30 - 7.30pm. Please sign up for an appointment in the school foyer .

On Thursday 19 October the day before we break up for the half term holiday the Friends of St Wulstan's are holding a 'Neon Disco' for all children from 6.00 - 7.30pm priced at £2 per child or £5 for a family of 3 or more. The children are invited to dress up, look out for posters in the playground for more details. As always parents of younger children are very welcome to stay. Can I just remind parents that only children who are pupils of our school are able to attend these events. Thank you.

We will be holding our 'Open Morning' on Saturday 11 November 9.30 - 11.30 am and all current parents and prospective parents are invited to visit, chat to staff and look around the school. There will be tea and coffee in the hall providing an opportunity for prospective parents to chat more informally with myself and other staff. Please feel free to come along and take advantage of this opportunity and encourage any friends or neighbours with school age children to come along too. As I have said before there can be a misconception that only Catholic children can apply to our school. We welcome applications from all families of all or no faith. If you know of any families who are presently applying for a school place please encourage them to attend the Open Morning or contact me to arrange a visit and tour of the school. Applications for Reception Class 2018 must be completed online by 15 January 2018. Year 6 children have been asked to attend our Open morning to act as guides. Our children are our best ambassadors and I am sure many parents like to hear of a child's view of their school as well as the staff's view. If your child would like to attend please return the permission slip to the office. Our school features in a whole page advertisement in this week's 'Shuttle'. Please look out for it and share with parents who may be interested in applying for a place at our lovely school.

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Principal Mrs KE Savage After half term all children will all need to wear full winter uniform. This consists of white shirt and tie and trousers for the boys (Red polo shirts are only for summer). The girl's winter uniform is white blouse and tie and grey skirt or pinafore. Can I just remind parents that culottes or trousers are not part of our girl's uniform and should not be worn. I know many parents will take their children for haircuts over the half term break. Again we remind you that extreme haircuts are not allowed. Several parents have asked what the permitted cut is and we request a Grade 3 is the shortest. Several children have had extreme haircuts recently and once grown out we request that you adhere to our uniform policy. Thank you for your support and to the many parents who double check with me before taking their child to the hairdressers.

Please remember if you ever have any academic, social or emotional concerns regarding your child, please speak to me or any member of the teaching staff so we can work together to solve them. If you are unable to see me at school or wish to arrange a meeting please contact me via email at *secretary @wulsev.worcs.sch.uk* or telephone **01299 877808**.

K E Savage (Mrs) Principal

Attendance and lates Week Commencing 09.10.2017		
Year	Lates	Attendance
Reception	3	99.2%
Year 1	3	96.4%
Year 2	3	96.4%
Year 3	9	96.9%
Year 4	6	98.5%
Year 5	2	94.8%
Year 6	4	99.7%

Dates for your diary		
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Saturday 14 October	Hagley Open Day	
Monday 16 October	PTA AGM Brinton's Arms on the Bewdley Road 7.00pm	
Tuesday 17 October	Parents Evening 4.00 - 7.00pm	
Wednesday 18 November	Parents Evening 5.30- 7.30 pm	
Thursday 19 October	School Neon Disco 6.00-7.30 pm	
Friday 20 October	End of half term	
Tuesday 31 October	Year 6 Confirmation meeting	
Wednesday 1 November	Whole school Mass	
Monday 6 November	Year 6 Confirmation practice at St Wulstan's church	
Tuesday 7 November	Year 6 Confirmation Mass	
Friday 10 November	Year 5 Class Mass	
Saturday 11 November	Open Morning at St Wulstan's school 9.30-11.30am	
Friday 17 November	Year 4 Class Mass	
Sunday 19 November	School Mass at St Wulstan's church 10.00am	
Friday 24 November	Year 2 Class Mass	
Thursday 30 November	Christmas Fayre	
Monday 11 December	KS1 Nativity Play afternoon performance	
Tuesday 12 December	KS1 Nativity Play evening performance	
Thursday 14 December	KS2 Advent Service at St Wulstan's Church at 6.30 pm	
Monday 18 December	Party Day	
Tuesday 19 December	Whole School Mass 9.15 am End of Term	