



Harvest Collection

Thank you for supporting our harvest collection. We had an amazing response. Boxes and boxes of food were delivered to Milton Keynes Food Bank!

Staffing

April Leafe, teaching assistant and after school club assistant, has left us to take up a job at Oakgrove Secondary School. We were very sorry to see her go but wish her well in her ambition to teach secondary PE. After the half term break, Nikki Chapman will be joining Key Stage 1 classes in the afternoon and at After School Club. Nikki is an experienced teaching assistant who is currently working at the Radcliffe School.

Leave of Absence

Our school attendance policy is available on our website. Please note that all planned leave of absence must be applied for in advance. Forms are available on our website or from the school office. Absence can only be authorised in exceptional circumstances at the discretion of the headteacher.

Punctuality

We appreciate all of those parents who arrive on time every morning. **Registers are taken at 8:50am** in both Reception and in Key Stage 1. This means that children need to be settled in class by this time. In order to keep children safe, we need to be locking the gates promptly at 8:50am. From this time children are moving around the site collecting and delivering registers.

Mr Cooksley runs a **girls' football club at the Radcliffe School**. A new block of sessions will begin on Saturday 10th November. For more information please email girlsfootballstony@gmail.com

Curriculum Clubs

Please note that Curriculum Clubs finish at 4pm prompt. If a child is picked up late 3 times, they will lose their club place. Many of our curriculum club leaders move straight onto their next club, either here or at another setting.

Please do not bring **prams and buggies** into school. They will impede any attempt to exit the building in an emergency.

Please keep our children safe: park in local car parks and walk to school!

Holiday Club

<https://family.premier-education.com/courses/venue/russell-street-school/id/4456>

Mr Cooksley will be running a Premier Sport multi activity club over the half term break. This will include arts and crafts as well as sporting activities.

Health and Safety Drills

We are required to hold regular fire and lockdown drills, so we have practised both this term. We always do both drills in the same week. We explain to the children on fire practice day that this is what we do when there is an emergency inside. On lockdown day we explain that this is what we do when there is an emergency outside. Both drills were completed successfully.

Autumn Term Events

Please see the calendar below for dates and times of next half term's events. There are a few changes this year. This term's discos will be included in the party day events and will be free of charge. The Parents' Association Fete will be on the final Thursday (20th December) of term.

Year 1 and 2 concerts are held at St Mary and St Giles Church. The Church has plenty of space so all are welcome. The Reception Concerts are held in the school hall which can accommodate no more than 4 guests per child, including children.

'Handy Tips' for Parents

The evening session on Thursday 8th November includes Early Years workshops in our Early Years Building and Year 1&2 workshops in our main building. The workshops will cover ways to support children with phonics, reading and mathematics skills; including preparing nursery age children for their next steps. The daytime session on Friday 9th November will be an overview of Nursery to Year 2.

British Legion

We are selling Poppies and other Remembrance items for the British Legion. The minimum donation is £1, thank you.



Russell Street School

Dates for your diaries

See also: www.russell-street-school.co.uk

The Parents' Association have information on Facebook
(Please note that this is not a school site)

End of half term – please note that Thursday 25th October is the last day of the half term.

29-10-18 to 1-11-18	Premier Sport Multi Activity Clubs
5-11-18	Back to school Autumn in the Park Week (local park visits)
8-11-18	'Handy Tips' for Parents 7 - 8pm
9-11-18	'Handy Tips' for Parents 9-10am KS1 Bollywood Dance Day
13-11-18	Open Morning 9:30 to 11:30am
16-11-18	Open Afternoon 1:30 to 2:30 KS1 children's author visiting
19-11-18	Anti-bullying Week
21-11-18	Open Morning 9:30 to 11:30am
23-11-18	Wear Blue for Anti-bullying Day
1-12-18	Stony Lights KS1 singing in the Church 10am (tbc) PA stall in Stony
10-12-18	Last week of clubs
17-12-18	Moles & Newts performance 10am Church Squirrels performance 2:20pm School Hall
18-12-18	Badgers & Kingfishers performance 10am Church Otters performance 2:20pm School Hall
19-12-18	Hedgehogs & Owls performance 10am Church Foxes performance 2:20pm School Hall Nursery Party Day
20-12-18	KS1 and Reception Party Day (including a free daytime disco) PA Christmas Fair 3pm – 4pm
21-12-18	Last day of term