



# Newsletter

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## Goodbye year 6!



Yesterday we spent a very emotional afternoon over at Church for our annual Leavers Service. Our Year 6s have been amazing this year, they



have worked so hard and we have watched them grow into self-assured, confident, young people and we couldn't be more proud of them as they fly the nest. It's always sad to see them move on, but I know that they are ready to face lots of exciting new opportunities and challenges in secondary school, that they will make lots of new friends and have some fantastic times ahead of them.

Jonathan  
Neve  
Dylan  
Jemma  
Will  
Stanley  
Puneet  
Remi  
Amelia  
Edward  
Alexander

Jimmy  
William  
Maddie  
George  
Ben  
Jack  
Bailey  
Mia  
Cruz  
Isabella  
Samuel

**Year 6, go for your dreams, the sky's the limit, we will miss you!  
Good Luck and God Bless to each of you.**

## Olivia production collection

Wow wow wow! Your generous donations over the two nights of our productions totalled £335.74! That's before the Gift Aid is added too.

**Thank you SO much!**

## Parent Questionnaire 2017

Thank you to all of you who returned completed parent questionnaires; we received 62 responses by the deadline. With this week's newsletter you will receive an analysis of the results and the staff and Governors will be studying your feedback in depth at the INSET day when we are working on the School Development Plan for 2017 – 2018. If you returned your form after the deadline, your responses are not included in the analysis as I had a very tight timeframe in which to do it, but your completed form will of course be looked at and your views taken into consideration.

## Attendance Awards

In our final Collective Worship this morning 57 children received 100% attendance awards for the summer term. We also had 22 children receive a medal for 100% all year which is utterly amazing. Well done everyone!

## Dates for next term & beyond

The diary dates will be sent home at the beginning of term as usual; however if you need them sooner than that, over the holidays I will update the calendar on the school website with all the dates set so far.

## Thank you...

...to everyone who has supported our school over the past year:

Our Governing Body, particularly Mrs Thake the Chair, who provides such excellent support and leadership for the school. Much of what the Governors do is 'behind the scenes' but there is rarely a week goes by without a meeting or task of some description and they all give of their time voluntarily ~ thank you Governors!

Our FANTASTIC and dedicated PTA committee who work tirelessly to host an array of events and raise such valuable funds ~ you are our unsung heroes! Special thanks to Nicola Allenby, Dee Soden, Louise Massie and Naomi Taylor. The work of the PTA makes SUCH a difference to what we offer in school and we are so grateful for your involvement however big or small.

To you as parents for all the support you give to the school through working in partnership with us to achieve the best outcomes for your children, your input is vital. Thank you especially to those of you who have helped in class, at special events or on trips.

Last but by no means least, the staff. We have a fantastic team of dedicated professionals who always give 100%. St Ippolyts School is so lucky to have them all. So **THANK YOU** to all the staff; they deserve a well-earned sleep over the summer!

## Looking forward...

Our sights are now set on 'the big change' ready for September. The building work starts tomorrow and all the staff will be busy during the holidays moving furniture and preparing their new classrooms ready for the autumn term. There is a LOT of work to be done before we return after the holidays so I would like to thank them all in advance because I know they will be spending a significant portion of their summer in school.

I hope that by September you will remember where the new classrooms are and which doors to use, but just in case, I will do a blog closer to the start of term. We might even get a few sneak preview photos on the website so you can see our progress! It is certainly a very exciting time for the school.

## PTA

**Thanks very much to the following people who helped serve refreshments at the school productions - Jane Rose, Natalia Fisher, Dee Soden, Stuart Archer, Niki Laws-Randall, Sasha Grady, Julia Toffa, Bernard Mckeown, Steve and Caroline Cook.**

**Thanks to everyone for your support with PTA events through the year. Wishing you a fun summer holiday!  
Nicola Allenby, Louise Massie and Naomi Taylor**

## Happy Holidays!

A reminder that the autumn term begins for children on **MONDAY 4<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**. I wish you all a restful summer break, and look forward to seeing you all back in September for another busy year.

R Peddie  
Headteacher



# 2016 - 2017 review of the year!

## September

Welcome to our new children in Class 1  
Welcome Miss Walker & Miss Leake  
Building Learning Powers launch  
Class 1 Parents Coffee Morning  
Class 1 Curriculum Evening  
Whole School Photo  
Open Session  
PTA Family Treasure Hunt

## October

Diocesan Harvest Festival  
Science Days  
C5 Cake Day  
C2 Mini Olympics  
SATs information evening for parents  
Football rally  
Movie & Munch  
PTA Christmas Card craft session

## November

Christmas Shoebox Appeal  
Photographs  
C5 trip to The Poppy Factory  
Remembrance Day  
Family Week  
PTA AGM  
Children in Need Appeal  
C3 trip to The Living Rainforest  
Assessment Week  
Stir Up Sunday  
Non uniform day for Christmas Fair  
Book Fair  
Class 5 Assembly  
Bag 2 School collection  
Parent Consultations

## December

PTA Christmas Fair  
Class 1 Nativity  
Choir at The Priory School Music Evening  
Christmas Dinner  
Choir singing at local Nursing Homes  
Carol Service in Church  
Christmas Movie & Munch  
Christmas Parties with Disco  
C4 Cake Day

## January

Welcome to Mrs Holmes  
C4 trip to Fitzwilliam Museum  
Project 170 Arts Days  
Choir - Young Voices at the O2  
C4 assembly

## February

Art exhibition  
Class 3 Assembly  
Open Session  
C3 Cake Day  
Y6 parent consultations  
Safer Internet Day  
Shrove Tuesday

## March

World Book Day  
Author visit: Alexander Martin  
Book Fair  
PTS Spring disco  
Assessment Week  
Comic Relief  
C4/5 to see Jesus Christ Superstar  
Living Eggs  
Class 2 Assembly  
Music Evening  
Class 1 trip to Woolgrove outdoor centre  
Parent Consultations  
PTA Spring Disco  
Easter Service

## April

Class 2 cake day

## May

Non uniform day for fair in the square  
Hitchin Schools Fair in the Square  
SATs Assessment Week Y2 & Y6  
Y6 SATs Breakfast Club  
Victorian week  
C3 trip to Hitchin British Schools  
C4/5 trip to Audley End  
170<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party

## May cont...

Class 1 assembly  
School Journey meeting for parents  
Sports Day  
Auditions  
Talent Show

## June

Y5/6 School Journey to Barton Hall  
School Journey Assembly  
Assessment week  
Y1 Phonics check  
Athletics Tournament at Ridlins  
Class 1 Cake Day  
Class Photographs  
Non uniform day for summer fair  
C1/2 trip to Woburn  
Rehearsals!  
PTA Summer Fair

## July

Y6 trip to Crucial Crew  
Young Worship at Community Lunch  
SATs results Y6  
Annual Reports to parents  
Rounders tournament - WIN!  
Charity Pyjama Day  
'Olivia' Production  
Induction Day & Y6 Secondary Transfer  
Staff v Leavers Rounders Match  
Y6 Leavers Barbecue  
Leavers Service

## Not forgetting

Sports matches, Swimming, PTA meetings,  
Wider Opportunities Keyboard sessions,  
after school clubs, school council, Governors  
meetings, cookery, gardening, lesson  
observations, staff training courses...  
AND OF COURSE LESSONS!

What a fantastic year! Enjoy  
a well-earned rest everyone