

Value

Our value for this half term is Respect

"Respect people's feelings. Even if it doesn't mean anything to you, it could mean everything to them."

J. Johnson

Holiday Work

Thank you to Mr Stockton for the work carried out over the half term break. This included the replacement of the toilets in class M1, new display boards in class MS4, and refurbishment of Ms Anstey's office.

Year 5 Handball Competition



Well done to all in Year 5 who took part in the competition on 24th May at Monk's Walk School. JT5 came third, and MG5 came first.

Table Tennis

Congratulations to Ethan in Year 5 who has recently been part of a table tennis tournament in Kettering. He was part of the East of England team, which came 5th, plus he competed as an individual, and only lost 2 matches out of 30. A great achievement.

Donations of Lego

From September, we will be running a lunch time Lego Club. More information will follow before the end of term, so do look out for this, as we expect this will be very popular. We would welcome donations of any spare or unwanted Lego bricks that you have at home. Please bring these in to the school office.

Workshop session with Helen Craig (illustrator of Angelina Ballerina)

If you are interested in attending this workshop this Saturday at Stevenage Central Library from 14.00-15.00 pm, there are still a few spaces left (£2 per child) which can be booked at:

www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/libraryeventtickets

Youth Led Service at St Mary's Church

The youth are holding a café-style service at 4.30 pm on Sunday 25th June. All are welcome to attend, and there will be an opportunity to find out more about upcoming family, children and youth activities at St Mary's.

Dogs

Please do not leave dogs tied up outside the entrance of Welwyn Under 5s as this causes Welwyn Under 5s problems with access.

Help us to win £5,000 of books

National Book Tokens are running a free competition, where you can nominate your school to enter a prize drawer, with £5,000 of books on offer. Please consider nominating Welwyn St Mary's by following the link below, and you will also have the chance to win £100 of book tokens if we win.

<https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools#.WTkrXGv2aAg>

Benefit-Related Free School Meals Applications for September 2017

If your child is moving into year 3 in September, they will no longer be entitled to Universal Free School Meals. If you wish them to continue receiving a school meal, please advise the office, and an invoice will be raised at the start of each half term. Otherwise, you will need to provide a packed lunch from home.

If you think you may be entitled to Benefit-Related Free School Meals, please apply online at

www.hertsdirect.org/freeschoolmeals

Benefit-related free school meals are automatically renewed for children who currently receive a meal. This means in most cases, eligible children will continue to get a school meal and parents need not re-apply.

- Parents/carers **do not need to re-apply** for a school meal for September 2017
- Any child receiving a free meal or 100% music remission will be renewed for both
- Letters from County will only be sent to families whose children are no longer entitled to receive a meal
- Anyone currently receiving 50% music remission will still need to re-apply from 7th June 2017 at

www.hertsdirect.org/freeschoolmeals

Pupil Premium

For every child registered for Pupil Premium, the school receive additional funding which is spent on raising the attainment of those pupils. If you are entitled to Pupil Premium funding, your child could access a range of additional benefits, including extra help in class, additional resources, free school trips and visits and one free club per term.

If you think that you might be eligible for free school meals and are not currently registered, please complete the simple online application form which can be found at: www.hertsdirect.org/freeschoolmeals
Once you have registered your child, please speak to the School Office to claim a new school jumper or cardigan.

Term Dates: 2016-17	
	Summer Term 2017
9 th June	Year 1 Cake Sale
12 th - 16 th June	Top up swimming week
12 th - 16 th June	PTFA Fathers' Day Gift Shop
13 th June	Reception Trip to Standalone Farm
14 th June	Year 6 Crucial Crew (am)
14 th June	Gosling athletics
15 th June	Music Evening
15 th June	Cricket tournament
16 th June	PTFA Fun Run
17 th June	10.30 am Choir sing in church for Welwyn Festival
21 st June	Swimming gala
23 rd June	French Day
25 th June	4.30 pm Youth Led Service at St Mary's Church
27 th June	Year 6 "Annie" at Monks Walk School - all children need a packed lunch
28 th June	Year 2 Kew Gardens Trip
30 th June	INSET day - school closed
3 rd July	INSET day - school closed
5 th July	6.30 pm Choir concert in church
6 th July	Sports Day (KS2 am, KS1 pm)
7 th July	Year 4 Commonwealth Games event
8 th July	PTFA end of year family barbecue
10 th July	Leavers' Disco
12 th July	7-aside netball tournament
13 th July	Budge Up day
14 th July	Reserve Sports Day
19 th July	Year 6 Leavers Production
20 th July	9.30 am Leavers' Eucharist in church Year 6 Leavers Production
21 st July	Term ends 1.30 pm
24 th July	Occasional day - school closed

Term Dates: 2017-18	
	Autumn Term 2017
30 th Aug	INSET Day - school closed
31 st Aug	INSET Day - school closed
1 st Sept	INSET Day - school closed
4 th Sept	Autumn Term commences
24 th Sept	PTFA Circus
23 rd - 27 th Oct	Half Term Holiday
17 th Nov	INSET Day - school closed
19 th Dec	Term ends 1.30 pm
	Spring Term 2018
3 rd Jan	Spring Term commences
12 th - 16 th Feb	Half Term Holiday
29 th Mar	Term ends 1.30 pm
	Summer Term 2018
16 th Apr	Summer Term commences
7 th May	Bank Holiday - school closed
28 th May - 1 st June	Half Term Holiday
22 nd June	INSET Day - school closed
25 th June	INSET Day - school closed
12 th July	Secondary transfer day
20 th July	Term ends 1.30 pm
23 rd July	INSET Day - school closed
24 th - 27 th July	Occasional days - school closed