



SS PHILIP & JAMES' CHURCH OF ENGLAND
VOLUNTARY AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Monday 7th January 2019

Dear parents and carers,

A warm welcome back to Spring Term from all at Phil and Jim. We very much look forward to welcoming the children back to school tomorrow and with that in mind, we wanted to share a few reminders for the start of term.

Teachers will be sending home class newsletters at the end of this week detailing the topics that will be taught this term. However for tomorrow, your child will need their PE kit, reading diary, a named coat, named water bottle and a healthy snack for break time (please remember we give the children in EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 fruit).

Communication with teachers

If you need to pass on a quick message in the morning, please do so but longer conversations would be better for after the school day has finished, with the exception of Wednesdays, when staff meetings will be taking place. If you would like a longer conversation, please make an appointment directly with the teacher or via the school office office@philandjim.org.uk.

On Friday your **child's snapshot** report will be sent home. This will tell you where your child is working in relation to National expectations. We are sending them home this week so you have the information to hand before **parents evening appointments which are taking place next week Tuesday 15th January between 5.00pm and 7.30pm or Thursday 17th January between 3.30pm and 6.00pm**. A message will be sent out Wednesday via Parent Mail when appointments are live.

Start of the day

Please can I remind you gates are open at 8.40am and children should be classrooms ready for registration at 8.50am. The EYFS gates open at 8.45am.

Message from EYFS team

With the New Year, we are keen to initiate new routines into Early Years which we are sure will be beneficial to the children and their readiness to be independent, resilient and happy learners.

We will be changing how EYFS parents drop off their children in the mornings. Children will now say goodbye at the outside classroom door and parents will no longer enter the classrooms. We believe this change will help prepare children to become more independent in their learning activities and to be confident in developing their own ideas and strategies for doing things.



EYC Children



EYP Children

Yours sincerely,

Sarah Awuye
Headteacher



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Spring Terms 2019 dates for your diary

INSET DAY School closed for pupils	Monday 7th January
First day of Spring Term	Tuesday 8th January
Parents evening 5.00pm - 7.30pm	Tuesday 15 th January
Parents evening 3.30pm - 6.00pm	Thursday 17 th January
Phonics Information Evening for parents– details to follow	Monday 21 st January
Sports Hall Athletics Years 3-6 - details to follow	Tuesday 22 nd January
Girls on the ball Years 3-6	Wednesday 23 rd January
Mental Health Week in school	Monday 4 th February
Mixed Football Tournament Year 3 and Year 4	Wednesday 6 th February
HALF TERM	Monday 18 th –Friday 22 nd February
EYFS Coffee Morning 9.00am	Thursday 28 th February
Girls on the ball Year 5 and Year 6	Thursday 28 th February
Life Bus visiting school details to follow	Tuesday 5 th February
High 5 Netball Year 5 and Year 6	Wednesday 6 th March
World Book Day	Thursday 7 th March
Coffee Morning Year 1 and Year 2 9.00am	Thursday 14 th March
Year 6 residential to PGL	Monday 18 th - Friday 22 nd March
Girls on the ball Year 3 and Year 4	Wednesday 20 th March
Coffee Morning Year 3 and Year 4- 9.00am	Thursday 21 st March
Netball Tournament Year 3 and Year 4	Thursday 21 st March
Cross Country Finals	Tuesday 2 nd April
Coffee Morning Year 5 and Year 6- 9.00am	Thursday 4 th April