



## Helpers and Volunteers

We are indebted to our regular volunteers. Their support helps us to ensure an enriched curriculum for our children. Thank you to our: Forest School helpers, classroom and reading helpers, Stony in Bloom gardening helpers, regular 'walkers', Dave King (pianist extraordinaire), Parents Association members and to everyone who has committed their time to us this year.

## Reports

We hope that you found your child's end of year report informative. Thank you to all parents who have returned their comment slip. Your feedback is always much appreciated. Do, please, return these slips before the end of term.

### 2Simple Reports

Early Years parents will be receiving their child's 2Simple Learning Journey via email. This is a lovely detailed record of your child's Nursery and Reception year.

Assessment processes are very different in **Key Stage 1** where the demands of the National Curriculum lead approaches to assessment. Learning Journeys are not a feature of assessment at this stage of learning. In response to parental requests teachers have collected some photographic memories of the year and these have been delivered via 2Simple.

## End of Year Assemblies

Year 2 Leavers' Assembly will be in the hall at 2:15pm on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July.

Year 1 Assembly will be in the hall at 2:15pm on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July.

Access will be down the side of the building via the bottom hall door from 2pm.

Buggies will have to be left outside.

No coffee cups and refreshments in the hall, thank you.

## School Fete

Our thanks go to the Parents' Association for organising a successful fete. Takings exceed £1000. This will support the development of our new playground area adjacent to the Wrap Around building.

## Community Events

### Stony Stratford Library

The library service will be holding the annual **Summer Reading Challenge**. This is a great opportunity to support your child's reading skills over the summer. You can sign up for the challenge at Stony Stratford Library.

Stony Stratford Library is also running 2 free holiday events:

**BBONT Wildlife Workshop** 26<sup>th</sup> July 1:30 2pm

**The Great Gappo** 2<sup>nd</sup> August 1:30 2pm

Tickets are available from the library.

### The Phoenix Painting Project

Go along to York House to help paint the mural for the boards around the High Street fire site.

Workshops start on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> August from 10am

As part of the International Festival **Andy Lawrence of the Theatre of Widdershins**, who performed at Stony Library for Year 2, will be giving some shows. They will take place at South Willen Lake on: Saturday 23rd July. See the festival website for further details.

From the 8th to 11th September there will an **Organ Festival** at St Mary's and St Giles' Church to coincide with the National Heritage Open Days weekend. Watch out for lots of events to interest children and adults.

## School Visit Supervision

As a school we welcome parent visits during the normal working day. Whenever there are additional adults at school or with us on walks, teaching staff have a supervisory responsibility for those adults.

There are times when safeguarding requirements mean that we seek support from adults who have been police checked by the school and who have had induction on our code of conduct etc. This is particularly important for activities like Forest School and our summer National Trust visit where supporting adults might be out of sight of school staff for short periods; for example, during a hunt for the class puppet. This may seem over cautious but we have to follow the guidance to the letter.



Russell Street School

## Dates for your diaries

See also: [www.russell-street-school.co.uk](http://www.russell-street-school.co.uk)

20-7-16	2:15pm Year 2 Leavers' Assembly
21-7-16	2:15pm Year 1 assembly for parents
	Last day of term
5-9-16	Year 1 and 2 back to school
	Reception and Nursery Induction
7-9-16	Reception children start mornings
8-9-16	Parentmail workshop 9am
14-9-16	Nursery Class opens
	Reception Classes full-time offer
19-9-16	Harvest week – collection for the MK Food Bank
29-9-16	Curriculum Workshop 7pm
30-9-16	Macmillan Coffee Morning
12-10-16	Open Day 9:30-11:30am, 1:30-2:30pm
19-10-16	Parents' Evening 3pm – 6pm
20-10-16	Parents' Evening 3pm – 5pm, 6pm – 8pm
21-10-16	Last day of the half term

## Dates for 2016-17

Dates below match with those of St Mary and St Giles Junior School

	Open on morning of:	Close at end of day on:
Autumn term 16:	Monday 5th September 16	Friday 21st October 16
	Tuesday 1st November 16	Friday 16th December 16
Spring term 17:	Wednesday 4th January 17	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February 17
	Monday 20th February 17	Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 17
Summer term 17:	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> April 17	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May 17
	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 17	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 17