



Staffing

We extend a big welcome to our new teachers, Kim French and Alice Cottam. Welcome back to Sarah Jeffries who has returned from her maternity leave.

Parent Support

When the children are settled in their new classes we would encourage all parents to visit their child's class for a session to experience the learning for themselves.

If you have time for a regular slot to help in school then please see your class teacher. Parents can help with display, hearing readers, gardening, looking after our library etc. Training offered.

Wrap Around Care

Remember that, along with our Breakfast Club, we also offer after-school care to support working parents.

The sessions run from 3pm to 6pm Monday to Friday. The cost is £9.00 per session and includes a snack time. Activities include PE, art, technology, cooking, free play and Spanish.

Bookings and payment will need to be:

- made in advance by Parentmail or by Childcare vouchers (we will need to know the provider for vouchers eg : ComputerShare, Edenred & Co-op)
- booked and paid monthly **in advance** by the end of the preceding month

Registration Forms and Booking Forms are available from the school office.

Contacting Staff

Please note that our school code of conduct prevents staff from communicating with parents on Facebook. If you have questions then please contact the school through formal channels or check our website.

Children's Birthdays

We celebrate children's birthdays with a song and a birthday sticker. Please note that we do not hand out sweets or share cakes etc. If you wish to treat your child's class then a new story book is always welcome for story time.

Harvest

The children will have a Harvest Assembly on Friday 25th September. For this event we will be collecting food for the Milton Keynes Food Bank. Please bring in donations of dried, UHT and tinned foods from Monday 21st September.

Tummy Bugs

Please keep children off school for 48 hours after a tummy bug. This stops the bug from spreading through school.

Head Lice

Please comb through your child's hair weekly with a fine tooth comb and hair conditioner. This will prevent lice from multiplying and spreading.

Football Cards

We are currently allowing cards in school. Children need to be prepared to lose cards if they bring them in. If the cards begin to cause disagreements and strife then we may need to review this policy!

Is your child eligible for Pupil Premium?

Please, please continue to apply for Pupil Premium (the old free school meals grant) if you are eligible. This money has a significant impact on our funding. It allows us to offer the eligible children free clubs, including infant strings, and visits. It also ensures that we can maintain Reading Recovery and Numbers Counts provision for those children who need it. This provision impacts on learning for all children; the pitch of teaching is raised across classes as a result of closing the gap in attainment.

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



Russell Street School

Dates for your diaries

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

- 21-9-15 Harvest Week and collection for MK Food Bank
Clubs start
Rugby World Cup Week – rugby skills in PE (no contact!)
- 24-9-15 Governing Body PTL Committee meeting
- 1-10-15 Individual child photographs
Parents' Association AGM 7:30pm
- 8-10-15 Governing Body Resources Committee meeting
Book Fair in school
- 14-10-15 Last day of Book Fair
- 12-10-15 Poetry Week
- 15-10-15 National Poetry Day
- 19-10-15 Autumn in the Park Week
- 21-10-15 Parents' Evening 3pm – 6pm
- 22-10-15 Parents' Evening 3pm – 5pm, 6pm – 8pm
Full Governing Body Meeting
- 23-10-15 Last day of half term

- 2-11-15 Training day for staff
Premier Sports' Club
- 3-11-15 Children back to school
- 10-11-15 Curriculum Evening 7pm
- 12-11-15 Open Day 9:30 – 11am, 1:30 – 2:30pm
- 16-11-15 Anti-bullying week
- 20-11-15 Wear Blue for Anti Bullying Day
- 25-11-15 Open Day 9:30 – 11am, 1:30 – 2:30pm
- 26-11-15 Y1 Sulgrave Manor visit
- 27-11-15 Y2 Sulgrave Manor visit
- 30-11-15 Last week of clubs
- 14-12-15 Year 2 Christmas Concert
- 15-12-15 Year 1 Christmas Concert
- 16-12-15 Year R Christmas Concert
- 17-12-15 Reception and KS1 parties
Essence Christmas Lunch
KS1 Disco 3pm £3
- 18-12-15 Last day of term