



Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2015

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to Term 4, a short but busy term. It was lovely to see so many smiley faces on Monday morning as we returned to school.

### Value

Our value in focus this term is Justice. Particularly poignant as this is the start of Fair Trade weeks and also for our Year 5 & 6 classes who are working hard to prepare themselves for their part in the Cirencester Mock Trials in a couple of weeks. If you would like to explore this value together at home, please visit our school website and follow the link to the Justice value activity page.

### Year 6 Pupils- Finding out about your secondary places

As I am sure you are aware Monday 2 March 2015 is National Offer Date for Secondary Schools. This year, Wiltshire parents who submitted an online application by the deadline of 31 October 2014, will be able to view the outcome of their online application on Monday 2 March 2015, national offer date. Applicants will be required to log back onto the online system on the Wiltshire Council website to do this.

### Buy a red nose at AK!

We will have red noses for sale on the playground from Monday for £1 each- **please buy them from us** as we have ordered 240! They are special blind bagged noses including the chance to find a limited edition golden nose in the bags. On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March, School council are organising a dress down day where they would like you to dress in your own clothes with something red/ white. You may also like to wear a face paint as it is funny faces too. Just 50p for the day and this will go to comic relief. Thank you from AK School Council.

### Pupil Newsletter

The new team working on the third edition of the AK pupil newsletter '*The Whisperer*' led by Oliver in year 6 are: Hannah (6), Harrison (5), Libby (4), Amelia (3) - all children were chosen fairly from the classes and are very excited about this opportunity! Oliver is certainly passionate and enthusiastic about leading the team, well done -we certainly enjoyed the last edition!

### Cake Sale

In my newsletter before half-term I mentioned how there are plans to revitalise the school playing areas and improve outdoor learning opportunities for our children. Our first project is building a living willow play tunnel with the children. To help fund this and other exciting garden projects, there's going to be a cake and biscuit sale in the playground after school on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March. We'll be asking for donations of cakes and biscuits from Classes 1 & 3 please and asking for cash donations in return. We try to vary classes asked to donate cakes for a sale to make it fair. So please come along and buy a cake at the end of the day on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March for just 25p a cake or a donation towards our willow tunnel and school garden. Thank you!

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## Parking

You will have noticed the new yellow lines outside the school. These lines should not be parked on and should be kept clear for our children's safety. Please remember parking is always available at the village hall for you to use and walk your children down to school.

## Dates for your diaries:

Week of 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Red noses for sale all week £1 each! Secondary School offers online
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Parent's Evening 4pm-7pm
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day- children come dressed up and bring favourite book/ poem Parents Evening 3.40-6pm
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Years 5 & 6 involved in the Cirencester Mock Trials (all morning)- Good luck to both teams, what a great experience, I shall be there to support! Mrs. Voss and Miss Thomas organising via letter.
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day- 50p to come dressed in your own clothes with something red/ white and optional face paint/ funny face. Red noses for sale in school at £1 each
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	9.10 am Class 1 assembly to parents/ carers/ Grandparents
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	3pm Cake sale- 25p or donation per cake. Classes 1 & 3 to donate cakes please!
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	6.15 pm Class 3 & 4 evening production (save the date- more info to follow)
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Breakfast Club Easter Event (book in advance) 6.15 pm Class 3 & 4 evening production (save the date- more info to follow)
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	School Discos organised by FoAKS (more details to follow)
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Hero and Heroines Assembly for all Easter service in the church 1.30pm- All welcome. A lovely way to end Term 4 together.
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Advanced notice so that as many of you as possible can come- AK Sports Day will be on this day (more details to follow but for now save the date)

All dates can be found on our website in the calendar. [www.akps.org.uk](http://www.akps.org.uk)

## Church Links Dates for your diaries of upcoming Church events at Holy Cross Church:

Sun March 1st 10 am	Family Service - the story of Samuel choosing David
Sat March 14th 4 pm	Come and help make posies of flowers to give mothers and others for Mothering Sunday. Melton Lodge Back St. All help welcome, children and families too.
Sun March 15th 10 am	Service for all God's family celebrating 'Messy Mothers and Others'
Friday April 3rd 10 - 12 noon	Children's Good Friday messy style workshop for children and young people of primary age; held at Cricklade United Church.
Sunday April 5th Easter Day	10am Easter Family Service with communion and Easter egg hunt at Holy Cross 11.15am Easter family service with communion and Easter egg hunt at Leigh church.

With very best wishes,

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