





Newsletter – July 2022

The summer term is always a busy one and this year is no exception. It has been lovely to take part again in some of the annual events that have not happened due to Covid-19 for the last few years.

Our footballers had a briliant day on Cavendish Fields at the Bunting Cup at the end of May. Belated thanks to Mrs Scully and Mrs Watkins for looking after the children and for their football management skills!

St Giles came second in the small school competition at South Peak Sports in June. This was a fantastic result and everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Thank you to our ”Country Dancers” who performed last weekend at the Church Garden Party. It was a lovely occasion and our dancers did a brilliant job.

Summer Performance – Wednesday 13th July 2022 6.00pm

Children in Class 4 are performing The Tempest as the end of term performance. Parents of children in Class 4 are invited to watch the performance in school, tickets are not required. Please ensure that your child in Class 4 is back at school by 5.45pm; please do not arrive before 5.30pm.

Leavers Service - Friday 22nd July 2022 – St Giles Church 9.30am

Parents of Year 6 children only are invited to attend the leavers service which is taking place in St Giles Church on Friday 22nd July at 9.30am

ParentPay

Please can you check your ParentPay balances and ensure that everything is up to date before the end of term. We do not want to carry forward any outstanding balances into the next school year. If you have not yet activated your ParentPay account please can you do so as soon as possible. We will be sending communication this way more from September so you will need to have activated your account in order to receive emails and letters etc.

Parking around school

We appreciate that parking near to school is difficult, especially with Highfields being next door. Please can we politely request that you are considerate to local residents when dropping off and collecting children and do not block entrances to driveways.

INSET DAYS FOR 2022/23

The five INSET DAYS for the next academic year are as follows:
Thursday 1st and Friday 2nd September 2022
Thursday 22nd December 2022
Monday 9th January 2023
Friday 21st July 2023

School Uniform

Please see the information on school uniform at the end of this letter.

Staffing Changes from September

We are very fortunate at St Giles to have a brilliant team of teachers and support staff. Unfortunately there will be a few people who will not be returning to school in September. Mrs Bradshaw is leaving to "do something different", Mrs Slack will be spending more time with her family, Mrs Pilkington is moving out of the area and Miss Kirk is taking up a new position at All Saints Infant School. We are very sad to be saying goodbye but we wish everyone all the very best and we would like to say a very big thank you for everything they have done to support the children at St Giles.

Thank you to everyone who came to Sports Day to support the children. It was very hot but I think you will agree that the children did really well and had a fun morning.

Kind regards

Janet Robinson
Interim Headteacher

Dates for your diaries

Friday 8th July – Sports Day
Friday 8th July – PTFA Summer Family Event – 6.00pm -8.00pm further details to follow
Wednesday 13th July – Summer Performance 6.00pm
Friday 22nd July – Leavers Service in St Giles Church at 9.30am for Year 6 parents
Friday 22nd July – Break up
Thursday 1st September – INSET DAY
Friday 2nd September – INSET DAY
Monday 5th September – First day of term

Uniform

Uniform is worn at St Giles Church of England Primary School to develop a sense of pride in being a member of the whole school community. The Governing Body and Head Teacher have agreed the uniform in consultation with the staff team.

We trust that parents & carers will engage with the school and support us in ensuring children wear a smart uniform.

Boys Uniform:

Plain black or grey trousers (or shorts in warmer weather)
White shirt or polo shirt
Red sweatshirt or fleece this can be decorated with school logo
Sensible hardwearing black shoes

Girls Uniform:

Plain black or medium length grey skirt, pinafore dress or trousers
White blouse or polo shirt
Red sweatshirt or cardigan this can be decorated with school logo
Sensible hardwearing black shoes or boots without heels
Red gingham style dress for warmer weather

P.E:

Red t-shirt (Plain red or decorated with school logo)
Black or navy shorts
Black plimsolls
Tracksuit and trainers are required for outdoor PE in colder weather

Outdoor Education:

As we like to use the excellent outdoor facilities at school, please ensure your child has a waterproof coat and wellies in school. We are happy to store the wellies here, please make sure they are clearly named. A clothes peg can also be useful to keep them together!

Jewellery and Watches:

Please note that jewellery is NOT permitted in school for Health & Safety reasons. However watches are allowed but must be removed for P.E and other related activities.
If your child has pierced ears, small studs are allowed. However these MUST be removed by the child for PE and swimming (please see further information below).

If your child is unable to remove the studs themselves they will not be permitted to take part in the P.E lesson. The only exception is if a child has recently had their ears pierced when they may, for P.E only, be covered with microtape or a small plaster until such time as their ears have healed. Please send suitable plaster or tape into school and make sure their teacher is aware. Staff are not permitted to assist children with the removal of or replacement of earrings.

The only exception to the above is when your child goes swimming. The swimming pool does not allow children to wear earrings for school swimming or to use tape to cover them.

Hair and Make-up

Make up and nail polish are not considered appropriate for school.

For health and safety reasons if your child has hair that is long enough it should be tied back or secured for school and for P.E. -this includes hair that may obscure vision.